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College of the Desert Fall 2021 Semester Begins

College of the Desert students returned to classes today for the start of the Fall 2021 semester. Among other valley locations, students can attend in-person and hybrid classes at the College's Palm Desert, Palm Springs, and Indio campuses and participate online in our distance learning environment.

Students can [apply and register](#) for full-term classes, now through Tuesday, September 7 or take advantage of the College's late-start course offerings.



The health and safety of students, faculty, and staff continues to be the College's top priority. In preparation for the Fall 2021 semester, College of the Desert has enhanced on-campus student and employee safety requirements. All students and employees visiting campus or attending in-person and hybrid classes are required to wear face masks at all times while in a classroom or inside any campus building, regardless of vaccination status. Before entering campus, all individuals must complete the COVID-19 symptom checker, temperature check, and screening process through the SWAY App, no more than two hours before entering campus. All requirements are available on the [College's website](#)

This fall, the College has also partnered with Borrego Health to offer free weekly [vaccination and COVID-19 testing](#) clinics for students and staff.

Students can still register for several popular full-term course options, including English, Criminal Justice, Automotive Technology, Culinary Arts, Film, Health Sciences, Business, and more. For a complete list of open courses, please visit the [College of the Desert website](#) and click on the "[Open Class List](#)" link on the left side of the home page.

Those interested in enrolling at the College can benefit from various resources, including free tuition, low-cost book rentals, free laptop rentals, counseling, and financial aid to help with living expenses.

[Student Services](#), including Counseling and Enrollment Services, are currently available online. For a list of [key dates](#), operational hours, and other important information, visit the College's website.

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