# Top Ten Reasons to Attend West Hills Community College Coalinga

#### 1 CLOSE TO HOME

No more long drive to the university. You will save time, money and wear and tear on your car. You will not have to worry about the fog, traffic or leaving early from work to get to your classes. A community college is located right here in your community, so why not take advantage of the opportunity.

#### 2 SMALL CLASSES

Smaller classes = individualized attention. Teacher-student ratio is 20 to 1, which is smaller than other colleges. You get the personal attention of our faculty. There is no instruction from teaching assistants, only instructors with masters and doctorate degrees.

#### 3 AFFORDABLE

Cost of education is much less at a community college in comparison to a university. Your first two years of college you are required to take for general education. These classes are offered right here at WHCC and a much lower cost versus taking the exact same courses at a university. You will be getting a better education at a lower cost.

#### 4 BETTER CHOICE OF COURSES

We don't have wait lists on classes and very few students are bumped out of classes. We've all heard stories of UC's and CSU's admitting too many students and not offering enough classes at the freshmen and sophomore level. If you aren't able to get the courses that you need (because of waiting lists and etc.) then you end up wasting precious time and money taking courses which were not your first choice. You are able to get into all the classes you need at the time they are needed at West Hills Community College Coalinga. You will take the same classes here that are offered and needed at the university level.

#### 5 HIGHER SUCCESS RATE

Students that transfer to a 4 year university from a community college have a higher rate of success than those who go directly to the 4 year institution. Graduation rate is higher when starting at a community college. Overall GPA's are also higher when starting at a community college. A higher GPA is important when applying to the university of your choice and later on in a masters program.

#### 6 OUR FORCUS IS ON LEARNING

UC's are committed to research, CSU's are committed to publish or perish and community colleges are committed to teaching and learning.

# 7 OPEN DOOR POLICY

You are able to get the help you need at anytime. We've all heard stories of waiting for hours to get the needed help to be successful and that doesn't happen here at West Hills Community College Coalinga. People from all departments are very helpful in assisting students.

#### 8 SAFE

Coalinga is a small and quiet community. The campus is safe.

## 9 LATEST TECHNOLOGY IN ALL CLASSROOMS AND A WELL EQUIPPED LIBRARY

Our facilities offer the latest technology, up-to-date information, video conferencing, LCD projectors, and wireless technology in all rooms.

## 10 ONCE YOU GO HERE, YOU ARE READY TO GO ANYWHERE

Once you go here, you can go anywhere. You are given to tools to be successful. You are well prepared for the next step after the experience you will be provided at West Hills Community College Coalinga. This is an experience that will not be forgotten.