Dear Friends,

At South Seattle Community College we help people enrich, and even transform their lives. South provides comprehensive educational programs in a highly supportive learning environment. We offer quality learning experiences, which prepare students to meet their goals for life and work. At South, our greatest impact is on the 15,000 students who attend the college each year and realize a better life than they ever imagined.

We extend words of appreciation to our supporters who believe that community colleges are making a difference when it comes to educating future leaders, entrepreneurs, teachers and skilled workers. To our supporters -- you have made wonderful things happen at South! And to those readers who may be just getting to know us, our story and our students’ educational achievements, we welcome you into our circle of friends, supporters and admirers.

In this Report to Our Community we are excited to share the achievements of students who represent various talents, backgrounds, and aspirations. We also acknowledge the contributions to student success made by South’s faculty and staff. And finally, we applaud our many community partners and education collaborators who engage with us to provide opportunities for student learning, student achievement and student success.

The South Seattle Community College Foundation, along with its many private, corporate and foundation supporters, has been a vital contributor to our students’ success.

Foundation highlights include:

• A successful year for the 13th Year Promise Scholarship increased the number of students enrolled for their first year at South. The 13th Year Promise Scholarship guarantees every graduate from Cleveland High School and Chief Sealth International High School has the chance to attend South Seattle Community College tuition-free for one year, along with special support services to help them succeed.

• Five new endowed scholarship funds were established at the South Seattle Community College Foundation, which will provide additional student scholarships in perpetuity.

• To support and foster student success and achievement, 184 worthy South students were awarded tuition scholarships. Scholarship awards totaled $302,653.

We are grateful for the ongoing support today from donors, supporters and alumni. We invite you to share the story of South with friends, colleagues and family. Please plan to visit us soon, either in person or on our website at www.southseattle.edu.

Sincerely,

Gary Oertli, President
South Seattle Community College

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Gene J. Colin, Chair
South Seattle Community College Foundation
South Seattle Community College

is a comprehensive college serving a multicultural population of 15,000 students each year who enroll for:

- Bachelor’s degree in Hospitality Management
- Academic courses preparing for transfer to a four-year educational institution
- Certificates or degrees in more than 30 professional technical programs
- Continuing education and lifelong learning
- Basic and Transitional Studies
- English Language Learners/English-as-a-Second Language
- Online learning

The college is located in West Seattle on an 87-acre, wooded campus that overlooks downtown Seattle and Elliott Bay. The campus includes a six-acre arboretum, which is a living laboratory for Landscape Horticulture students and the adjacent Seattle Chinese Garden site.

Real-world experience is emphasized through team-learning projects and portfolio development, or internships and classes with retail customer contact.

The college also operates the NewHolly Learning Center on Beacon Hill and the Georgetown Apprenticeship & Education Center, the largest apprentice-training site in the Northwest. South is recognized as a state and national leader in workforce training and innovative WorkFirst solutions.

- Median student age – 30.5
- First generation to attend college – 54%
- Citizenship status
  - Immigrant – 8%
  - Refugee – 1%
- Number of first languages spoken – 35

Student Ethnicity

- Caucasian 37%
- Asian/Pacific Island 26%
- African American 21%
- Hispanic 12%
- Other 2%

Program Area

- Continuing Education 10%
- Apprenticeship 10%
- Hospitality BAS 1%
- Professional/Technical 26%
- Basic & Transitional/ESL/High School Completion 24%
- Academic/College Transfer 29%

South Seattle Community College is one of the Seattle Community Colleges. The Seattle Community College District is the largest community college district in the state, serving 50,000 students each year at South Seattle, North Seattle and Seattle Central Community colleges, the Seattle Vocational Institute, and several specialized training centers around metropolitan Seattle.

Seattle Community Colleges Board of Trustees
Jorge Carrasco (Chair), Albert Shen (Vice-chair), Thomas W. Malone, and Chancellor Dr. Jill Wakefield

October 2012
Dr. Jill Biden, the second lady of the United States, spent a July afternoon with aviation-technology students at South’s aviation hangar, a satellite classroom at Boeing Field. Biden, an 18-year community-college instructor, was in Seattle as part of the Community College to Career program spearheaded by the Obama administration. Dr. Biden stopped in for a roundtable discussion about the Seattle Community College industry partnerships in the aviation-aerospace, manufacturing, and maritime industries.

The federal initiative awarded South and several other community colleges a $20 million grant to offer more classes in technical-education programs that had yearlong waiting lists. Coupled with another $20 million state grant to Washington community colleges, South is able to train three times as many students in the two-year Aviation Maintenance Technology (AMT) program this year. The graduation rate among technical programs such as the AMT program is 95 percent, and hiring opportunities are strong. Though the good chances for employment upon graduation are a big plus, something else stood out to Dr. Biden. “The common thread here is that the students who come to these programs love their jobs,” she said.

New teaching and training space in the Gene J. Colin Education Hall at our Georgetown Campus was celebrated at a ribbon-cutting event. The 9,800 square-foot addition to the existing building is LEED-certified, and was designed and built using energy-efficient, sustainable, and water saving strategies. Funding for the $5.2 million structure came from the Washington State Legislature, the U.S. Economic Development Administration and the Norcliffe Foundation. Following the brief ceremony, guests had an opportunity to tour the new facility, which will be a technology training portal for green, sustainable jobs, and a center for business development and entrepreneurial training. Gene J. Colin is the CEO of Ferguson Construction, a major regional construction company with many ties to the businesses and labor unions served by the Georgetown Campus, and also chair of the South Seattle Community College Foundation.
Students in South’s Automotive Collision Repair program saw their work making waves on the waters of Lake Washington and beyond over the summer, after they finished a makeover of the Schumacher Racing unlimited hydroplane. The newly-painted and refinished boat carried the college name and logo on its side as it competed during the 2012 racing season. The No. 37 hydroplane is owned by Billy Schumacher, the former unlimited champion driver who won 17 races from 1967-1976, and is perhaps best known for his wins with the Miss Bardahl team. Instructor Steve Ford said the project matched the spring quarter curriculum of painting and refinishing. Student work served as final performance tests on problem solving and critical skills. Schumacher Racing paid a shop fee and materials costs for the project.
President's Medals

The President's Medals for academic achievement were awarded to (L to R) Dolphy Blue Jordan (Academic), Heriberto Sánchez (Professional Technical), and Joshua Fitzpatrick (BAS in Hospitality Management) at South's commencement ceremonies in June, held again at Benaroya Hall in Seattle.

Students Honored for Academics and Community Service

Linh “Jenny” Nguyen and Roy Wilkie were South's representatives to the All-Washington Academic Team. Jenny and Roy were recognized for their academic achievement, leadership, and community service by Gov. Chris Greigore at a ceremony in Olympia. Each Academic Team member receives a $750 scholarship from the Northwest Education Loan Association and KeyBank of Washington.

A native of Vietnam, Jenny overcame homesickness and culture shock on her road to academic success. She plans to continue her education at a four-year institution and become a financial analyst. She was active in student government, she was also the student representative to the Global District Council coordinating international programs initiatives across the Seattle Community Colleges.

Roy, formerly a graphic designer and small business owner, has a passion for robotics and the desire to become a research scientist in the field of mechatronics. In addition to the All-Washington recognition, he received an OnSight Scholarship for Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) students. On-campus, he participates in the Ready Set Transfer (RST) Academy, and volunteers as a Conversation Partner with international students.

South Seattle Community College Outstanding Alum

Irina Minasova was honored with the inaugural South Seattle Community College Outstanding Alumni Award. Irina, who immigrated to Seattle from Armenia in 1993, has been employed at South for 16 years and is the college’s Director of Business Operations and IT Services.

She started at South as an English-as-a-Second-Language student and then, while working full-time at the college and raising two children, she earned an Associate of Applied Science degree in accounting and an associate of arts degree. Irina went further and earned a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration from Central Washington University.

South’s Outstanding Alumni Award honors professional and educational achievements as well as service to the community. The award also highlights student success by recognizing that our students truly can, and do, “start here and go anywhere!”
South's 300 faculty members are more than just teachers -- they are mentors, role models and academic partners who build supportive learning environments that engage, challenge and inspire students. Faculty development grants support projects to encourage and promote student retention, completion and transfer to four-year colleges. Since the origination of the grants, South's Foundation has awarded nearly 100 to members. In 2011, grants included the following awards for curriculum development, teaching and instruction which benefit our students.

**Larry Angel, Economics Instructor**
Larry has designed new classes, improved current courses and attracted more students to study economics at South. Larry’s commitment to curriculum reform and innovation helped grow total enrollment in economics by nearly 60% over two years. He received the Excellence in Education Faculty Development Grant to implement improvements to an online learning system that increased student success among those he teaches.

**Doug Clapper, Heavy Duty Diesel Instructor**
Doug’s students leave South prepared to enter several high-demand fields. These include truck and heavy equipment, marine, construction and commercial transportation as well as municipal vehicle and fleet repair. Doug received the Excellence in Education Faculty Development Grant to attend the national Electric Vehicle Symposium conference. Doug’s interest in alternatives to gas-powered vehicles led him to seek out and learn best practices on ways to integrate hybrid-vehicle classes into South’s Automotive and Heavy Duty Diesel curriculum.

**Rochelle Fonoti, Pacific Islander Cultural Specialist**
South is one of only six institutions in the nation designated as an Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) - serving institution. South received a multi-year U.S. Department of Education grant to improve the retention, transfer and graduation rates of under served Asian American, and Native American Pacific Islander students; the best practices gained are used to help all students at South. Rochelle brings a high degree of cultural knowledge and expertise to her work with first generation Pacific Islander and Asian American students. Rochelle’s Excellence in Education grant allowed her to conduct campus workshops that stimulate relevant discussion and conversations on issues pertaining to cultural competency issues. Rochelle’s academic interest and study led to the development of South’s first course focusing on Pacific Islanders.

**Doug Clapper, Heavy Duty Diesel Instructor**
Mike Steffancin, Physics Instructor
Instructors Doug Clapper, Heavy Duty Diesel/Professional Technical Education, and Mike Steffancin (photo unavailable), Physics/Academic Programs, were honored with 2011-12 Excellence Awards by the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD). Clapper and Steffancin were recognized for their consistent teaching excellence and commitment to the college, both in length and quality of service. They were recommended for award consideration by faculty, staff, students, and administrators, and selected by an award committee composed of former South NISOD winners.

**Christa Colouzis, Environmental Health & Safety Specialist**
**Heidi Lyman, Mathematics Instructor**
Christa Colouzis, Environmental Health and Safety Specialist, and Heidi Lyman, Mathematics Instructor, were honored with the Trustees Lifelong Learning Award by the Seattle Community Colleges Board of Trustees. The Trustees Lifelong Learning Award is presented annually to recognize and support the intellectual and personal growth for employees of the Seattle Community Colleges. The award recipients are selected by the Board of Trustees. Christa and Heidi each received a $1,500 award to be used for costs associated with meetings, conferences, professional development classes, college course work and activities which would enhance their intellectual, individual or professional development.
Scholarships Aid Student Success

Les Dames d’ Escoffier Seattle
www.lesdamesseattle.com

Michael Charuensap

It was 24 years ago when several women working in local restaurants and the food industry came together to form the Seattle chapter of the Les Dames d’ Escoffier, a worldwide organization of professional women of high achievement in the fields of food, fine beverages and hospitality.

Les Dames d’ Escoffier is dedicated to supporting and promoting the achievement of women in the culinary professions and to foster excellence in the field through education and charitable activities. Seattle Dames are chefs, winemakers, cookbook authors, caterers, restaurateurs, chocolatiers, food photographers and consultants.

Last year, Les Dames d’ Escoffier Seattle made a wonderful gift to the college. That gift was to establish two endowed scholarships to benefit women students enrolled in South’s food and wine programs. One scholarship was named in honor of the chapter’s late co-founder Dame Kathleen Stang and supports women in the Culinary Arts program. The other scholarship supports a female student studying in South’s Wine Technology program.

“Les Dames d’ Escoffier Seattle is delighted to provide funds for scholarships at South Seattle Community College, which now makes it the sixth school in Washington state to have “Dames” endowed scholarships,” says executive director Beverly Gruber.

Students are attracted to South’s Culinary Arts program because of its fine reputation. The National Restaurant Association ranks South’s program as among the top training programs in the country. And students in the college’s Wine Technology program are among the first in Western Washington to attend an educational institution which houses a full-production teaching winery. South’s Wine Technology program complements the college’s well regarded and award winning Culinary Arts program. At South students have the chance to gain knowledge and skills in two important hospitality fields.

Michael Charuensap, recipient: Cairncross & Hempelmann Adopt-A-Student Scholarship (2011)

Michael left high school, by-passed college and went directly into the world of work. He found that a high school diploma qualified him for a series of jobs that rewarded his hustle but ultimately it was not enough to land him a job in a field with much career growth or potential. Coming off a long break between high school and college, Michael found much-needed support as a returning student and a new career direction at South when he enrolled in the Culinary Arts program.

“The cooking part came naturally to me as I had relevant work experience from five area restaurants prior to coming to South,” says Michael about his time in the program. “I found the training to manage the front of house and wait staff was a great learning experience, one that I never had a chance to be a part of before.”

Michael completed his Associate of Applied Science Transfer degree in South’s Culinary Arts program and graduated in June 2011 with a 3.31 GPA. He was admitted to South’s Hospitality Management Bachelor of Applied Science program in the fall. He is eager to learn the management side of the business and gain skills that will help him achieve his goal of becoming a restaurateur.

Today Michael attends the B.A.S. Hospitality Management program full time while holding the title of Global Chef at the Seattle headquarters of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Suzanne Barbour
Les Dames d’ Escoffier Seattle, Northwest Wine Academy
Wine Technology Endowed Scholarship
Program of Study: Wine Technology
Goals: “Wine distribution and management.”

Rachel Hanks
Les Dames d’ Escoffier Seattle, Culinary Arts Endowed Scholarship in honor of Co-founder Dame Kathleen Stang
Program of Study: Pastry and Baking Arts
Goal: “To focus on healthy versions of our favorite foods, and to one day own a bed and breakfast that serves good food that is good for you.”
Efraim Tovar, recipient: Beverly Rowe Adopt-A-Student Scholarship (2011)

“I moved to Seattle in search of a better future for myself and my family. I was brought up in San Antonio, TX. There I worked the food and beverage industry, bartending and waiting tables. I then started in the financial planning insurance industry but then the recession hit. I was back to waiting tables.

In Seattle, I was lucky enough to work at The Flying Fish, Campagne’s and Salty’s on Alki. At Campagne I made the acquaintance of their sommelier. We often talked about education and the wine program at South. Wine is something I’ve always been passionate about. When Campagne closed I enrolled at South. I’ve made the Dean’s List! This is the best I had ever done in school. Receiving the Beverly Rowe Adopt-A-Student Scholarship allows me to finish my education. Thank you!”

Efraim traveled to Spain over the summer to intern at a winery. He had the chance to meet with owners of a wine consulting firm in Barcelona and extend his trip to tour and meet workers at Cava Recardo, a premium producer of Spanish sparkling wine. He returned to South in the fall to complete his studies in Wine Technology.


“How growing up, I knew from a very young age that I wanted to work in the hospitality industry. After moving to Seattle, I had the opportunity to pursue my education. I earned an associate degree at community college. When it became time for me to pursue my hospitality degree, I was thrilled that South offered a new Bachelor’s of Applied Science four-year Hospitality Management degree. In 2009, I began my classes at South Seattle Community College. About half-way through the program I faced a financial crisis. I questioned whether or not I would be able to continue with my studies.

With support and encouragement from my professor, the late Dr. Thomas Mayburry, I applied and I received a scholarship. Getting the scholarship was a huge blessing. I thank you for helping me get to where I am today! I am the first woman in my family to earn a college degree.”

Presently, Julia is working not only at the Four Seasons Hotel, her childhood dream, but she is also part of the food and catering divisions at The Fairmont Olympic and Pan Pacific Seattle hotels.

Student Success

Financial Report

January 1, 2011 - December 31, 2011

How the Funds Were Used

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Endowed Childcare Funds - $60,163
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- Erma Erickson Arboretum Endowment
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- Glen Cullor Arboretum Endowment
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Total Endowment Balance - $8,930,360
*New endowment funds established 2011

During the year, $302,653 in scholarships was awarded to 184 deserving students enrolled at South Seattle Community College. You can help by establishing your own endowed scholarship, contributing to a named scholarship or giving to the general scholarship fund at South’s Foundation. To establish an endowed scholarship at South an investment gift of $25,000 or more creates a fully-endowed fund from which investment interest is used in perpetuity for tuition scholarships. Contact the South Seattle Community College Foundation at (206) 934-5809 for help to establish your own fund today.
Thank You 2011 Donors

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Goal: “To earn my Bachelor of Arts degree in communications and a master’s degree in counseling.”
The 13th Year Promise Scholarship guarantees every graduate from Cleveland High School and Chief Sealth International High School the opportunity to attend South Seattle Community College tuition-free for one year, along with special support services to help them succeed.

Background

The 13th Year Promise Scholarship is based on research showing that a high school diploma and one-year of college is the critical “tipping point” for students to earn living wage jobs and/or continue education. The Scholarship began with the Cleveland High School class of 2008; in 2011 the program expanded to include Chief Sealth International High School, and a Readiness Academy was created to further increase student success.

The Readiness Academy has support from a combination of financial aid and private philanthropic gifts, including support from the Boeing Company, Edwin and Eva Gordon, Johnson-Haefling Foundation, Lenore Hanauer Foundation, BECU and College Spark Foundation.

Access to Higher Education

- An estimated 65% of all seniors from Chief Sealth and Cleveland High Schools applied for the 13th Year Promise Scholarship.
- 50% of students said they would not have attended college if not for the 13th Year Scholarship.
- 73% of 13th Year students state the Readiness Academy prepared them for college; 35% said their high school education has prepared them for college.

More than a Recipient: Ruben De Leon

13th Year Promise Scholarship student Ruben De Leon’s words at the Foundation’s Friends of the College dinner.

“As I stand here, looking at the faces of great change, I am proud to represent South Seattle Community College and the 13th Year Promise Scholarship. With the support of many generous funders I want to personally thank you for your support in society’s greatest resource -- education. I also want to thank the South Seattle Community College Foundation for living up to their name and giving the students here at South Seattle Community College a path for success.

...I see myself as more than just a person who was handed college funds. I see myself as a product of a warm, supporting environment. I see myself privileged, lucky, and blessed. Throughout the year I learned that when the opportunity for development and leadership is presented, to grab hold of it without hesitation. This is in great part to all the staff, advisers, and speakers I had a chance to network with through the 13th Year Promise Scholarship.

To put things in a better perspective, in high school I just attended it. Today here at South, I am more than just a number but an active participant.

...I am pushing myself to grow, as both a student, and a person. I look forward to applying these skills in the real world. For the meantime I will continue to develop and give back any way possible. This scholarship not only promised me a 13th year of school paid in full, but a second shot at attending a university, and opportunities for personal development. I am more than a recipient. I am a product of success. Thank you!”
On Saturday, January 28, 2012
Our “Gifts from the Earth” Event Raised $160,000!
These funds help the South Seattle Community College Foundation provide scholarships and internships for hard-working students, professional development grants for faculty and staff, tutoring resources and instructional equipment. We would like to thank all of the individuals and organizations that made this event a success. Here are a just a few...

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Support and Recognition for Those Who Have Served

Rotary Club of West Seattle
For almost sixty-four years the Rotary Club of West Seattle has demonstrated a strong history of supporting the community. The club is comprised of businesspeople and professionals who help young people transition successfully into the working world.
Club members helped establish the William H. Bennett Endowed Scholarship Fund in order for students to attend South Seattle Community College. Several of South’s technical programs also have received West Seattle Rotary’s help.
This year the Rotary Club of West Seattle made a gift to South to aid student veterans in need with emergency funding. At South nearly 200 student veterans are using their classroom time to train for jobs in the civilian sector. South is among the top 15% of all colleges, universities and trade schools nationwide that are doing the most to support those who have served their country.

Student Veterans at South
Student veteran Ryan Shannon became president of South’s new veterans club. Ryan is a 29-year-old former Army Ranger who served in Iraq and Afghanistan. The club helps develop a network of support for every veteran or veteran dependent who attends South. Student veterans are connected to activities, events, and job opportunities in the community.
The college was designated by G.I. Jobs Magazine, as a “Military Friendly School” for 2011 and 2012, based on South’s role in supporting veterans as students. Receiving special mention is South’s apprenticeship program Veterans in Construction Electrical offered at our Georgetown Campus. To date, over 90 percent of veterans who completed their initial training in the apprenticeship program have found employment in the electrical industry.
**About the Foundation**

**The Foundation Mission**

The South Seattle Community College Foundation's mission is to change lives by providing students with scholarships so they can pursue quality academic and vocational education. We do this through relationship building, fundraising, and stewarding resources.

**Next Destinations**

1. Every graduate in our entire service area (Chief Sealth, Cleveland, Rainier Beach and West Seattle) can attend college through the 13th Year Promise Scholarship
2. Reach students earlier with the Readiness Academy to increase performance in high school
3. Encourage success after completion of the 13th Year through mentoring/industry partnerships

The South Seattle Community College Foundation, a non-profit 501 (c) (3), tax exempt organization, promotes and supports educational programs and training pursuits at South.

South’s Foundation Board of Directors is comprised of business and community leaders who generously contribute their time and resources to enrich lives, build hope and provide opportunities to fulfill dreams.

The Foundation takes a leadership role at the college in seeking private support to maintain standards of excellence at South.

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**Gratitude**

**Asia Abdukadir**

Glen and Peggy Cullor Endowed Scholarship
Program of Study: Biology
Goal: “To transfer to the University of Washington.”

**David Morales**

Jill Wakefield Endowed Scholarship
Program of Study: Associate of Arts Transfer degree
Goal: “To work in law enforcement.”

**Jacqueline Hernandez-Gallegos**

West Seattle Golf Club Adopt-A-Student Scholarship
Program of Study: Associate of Arts degree
Goal: “To become a marine biologist.”

**Holly Thomas**

Safeco Foundation Endowed Scholarship
Program of Study: Accounting
Goal: “To be enrolled in the Foster School of Business at the University of Washington by 2013.”

**Jonathan Jankovic**

Nucor Steel Seattle Adopt-A-Student Scholarship
Program of Study: Welding & Fabrication
Goal: “To complete my associate of arts degree.”

**Buchheng Kak**

Ed and Eva Gordon Fund for Opportunity Adopt-A-Student Scholarship
Program of Study: Associate of Science Transfer degree
Goal: “To provide healthcare service to the community.”

**Harmony Kim Tran**

Carl M. & Louise C. Lovsted Endowed Scholarship
Program of Study: Nursing
Goal: “To become a registered nurse.”
The College Mission

South Seattle Community College is a constantly evolving educational community dedicated to providing quality learning experiences which prepare students to meet their goals for life and work.

The College values and promotes a close involvement with the community and strong partnerships with business, labor, and industry.

The College commits to serving the diverse needs of students in our communities by providing:
- Applied baccalaureate, associate degree, college transfer, certificate, technical and professional, and pre-college programs which prepare students to succeed in their careers and further their education.
- Responsive technical and professional training programs developed in collaboration with business, labor and industry.
- Student-centered and community-centered programs and services which value diversity, support learning, and promote student success.
- Lifelong learning opportunities for the cultural, social, professional and personal development of the members of our communities.

College Community Responsibilities

We at South Seattle Community College believe that each of us shall:
- Treat each other with courtesy and respect.
- Speak civilly and act responsibly with consideration for the rights of others.
- Affirm the value of diversity and promote cultural sensitivity.
- Maintain a safe and welcoming community.

Our Core Themes

- Student Achievement
- Teaching and Learning
- College Culture and Climate
- Community Engagement and Partnerships

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South Seattle Community College is committed to the concept and practice of equal opportunity for all its students, employees, and applicants in education, employment, services and contracts, and does not discriminate on the basis of race or ethnicity, color, age, national origin, religion, marital status, sex, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, veteran or disabled veteran status, political affiliation or belief, citizenship/status as a lawfully admitted immigrant authorized to work in the United States, or presence of any physical, sensory, or mental disability, except where a disability may impede performance at an acceptable level. In addition, reasonable accommodations will be made for known physical or mental limitations for all otherwise qualified persons with disabilities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies including those related to Sec 504 ADA and Title IX: Roxanne Tillman, South Seattle Community College, 6000 16th Ave SW, Mailstop 4RS200, Seattle, WA, 98106, (206) 934-5137. South Seattle will make every effort to ensure that the lack of English skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in vocational education programs.