

# STUDENT SERVICES

personal development, parenting and study skills, group support, peer networking, and referrals to campus and community-based resources. The CARE program is located in Building R, Room 109. For information, call (510) 436-2476.

## COUNSELING SERVICES

The college provides counseling services to assist students with their choice of a career, with planning a program of study, and with personal problems. Students may schedule appointments with counselors during available day or evening hours. The Counseling Office is located in Building R, Room 109. For information or to make an appointment, call (510) 436-2475.

## DISABLED STUDENTS PROGRAMS AND SERVICES (DSPS)

Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS) provides educational and vocational support services to persons with disabilities who are enrolled in classes at the college. Services include academic, personal and career counseling; registration assistance; and liaison with four-year colleges and community agencies. The DSPS Office is located in Building R, Room 109. For information, call (510) 436-2429 (Voice), or (510) 434-3881 (V/TDD). Also refer to Alternate Media Services and High Tech Center.

## EXTENDED OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS AND SERVICES (EOPS)

Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) provides financial and academic support to students whose educational and socioeconomic backgrounds may prevent them from successfully attending college. To qualify, the student must be a California resident, enrolled in at least 12 units (but not have completed more than 70 units), eligible for a Board of Governor's fee waiver, and educationally disadvantaged. Services provided include orientation, priority registration, specialized counseling, academic planning, career guidance, academic progress monitoring, basic skills instruction, book services, transfer assistance, and special cultural awareness activities. The EOPS Office is located in Building R, Room 109. For information, call (510) 436-2470 or 436-2473.

## FINANCIAL AID

The Financial Aid Office offers information, applications and assistance about federal and state financial aid. Fee waivers, grants, loans, scholarships, work-study and other forms of assistance are available to students to cover fees, books, academic expenses, and other related costs. The office is located in Building R, Room 113. For information, call (510) 436-2465.

## FOOD SERVICES

Food services at Merritt College are located in two areas: The Cafeteria in Building R, Room 131, and on the first level of Building D. In addition, there are vending machines located in the A and D Buildings, and the College Store/Bookstore also offers snacks and drinks for sale.

## HEALTH SERVICES CENTER

The Health Services Center provides a variety of health programs and services to students on campus. The Health Services Center is staffed by a Registered Nurse/Marriage, Family and Child counselor. Services are free and confidential. Appointments are not necessary, but appreciated.

Services offered include assessment of illness, injuries and stress with referrals to low-cost community clinics when indicated. Additional services include health education and wellness information; crisis counseling; referrals for domestic violence, sexual assault, drug abuse, and parental stress; and Social Services referrals for shelter, food, and legal needs. Condoms, over-the-counter medications, feminine-hygiene products, blood-pressure checks, and pregnancy tests are provided free to students. Flu shots and eye exams, as well as other programs, are periodically offered at a minimal cost and are advertised in advance.

Check with the Center for current health services offered. The Health Services Center is located in Building R, Room 106. For information, call (510) 436-2533.