# Bakersfield College – CAS Descriptions Spring 2013 Delano Campus



#### FIND THE CAS WORKSHOPS YOU NEED!

Each workshop offers active learning activities. Workshops begin promptly! CAS schedule is available on BC Class Schedule website under Other Info

# Study and Life Skills

# **Getting Organized**

This workshop will help a student plan ahead for quizzes, tests, midterms, and finals by creating their own personalized academic calendar with important dates for each course, as well as important dates on the BC campus.

# **Successful Note-taking skills**

The students will learn to use standard methods of note-taking including punctuation, abbreviations, margins, and effective use of the CORNELL SYSTEM.

# **English Skills**

#### **Rescuing Research**

This workshop combines a bit of our Preventing Plagiarism and MLA Made Easy workshops! In this workshop, students will learn the proper usage of quotations in a sentence, and how to discuss the value of a quotation within an essay. A discussion of basic plagiarism problems will help students improve their paraphrasing skills. Additionally, a basic review of MLA, APA, and Chicago style formats will be covered.

#### **Commas I: Phrases and Clauses**

Students will increase competency in the use of commas by learning how to recognize independent clauses, dependent clauses, and phrases and by practicing the punctuation of sentences applying the relevant grammar and punctuation rules. They will learn about sentence structure, including subjects and predicates and about pertinent parts of speech, such as subordinating conjunctions, nouns, and verbs.

### Commas II: Restrictive and Non-Restrictive Elements

Students will increase competency in the use of commas by learning how to recognize restrictive and nonrestrictive sentence elements. They will learn about sentence structure, including complete sentences and fragments, learn to create and recognize appositives, learn to properly use conjunctive adverbs, and practice punctuating sentences by applying the relevant grammar and punctuation rules.

# **Understanding Parts of Speech**

Through a series of modeling demonstrations, concrete samples, and practice exercises, the student will learn to identify and name the basic parts of speech in the English language and demonstrate a basic understanding of the inter relationships among the parts in effective sentence structure.

#### **Fixing Fragments**

Students will learn to identify fragments and learn ways to fix the fragment and make it an independent sentence using a variety of strategies.

#### **Repairing Run-ons**

Students will learn to identify run-on sentences (fused and commas splice) and learn ways to repair the run-on using different approaches.

