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North-West College (NWC) Now Enrolling for Eyecare Specialist Program at Riverside Campus New Program Highlights College's Ongoing Commitment to Providing Quality Career Education

RIVERSIDE, Calif.—North-West College (NWC) is once again expanding its program offerings by bringing the Eyecare Specialist Program to its Riverside Campus. In preparation for this new program, the College has outfitted classroom space and a learning lab especially for Eyecare Specialist students—ensuring they have the opportunity to experience the dynamic learning environment that has come to be synonymous with North-West College.

"Expanding our Eyecare Specialist Program to the College's Riverside Campus addresses a growing need for quality vision care," explained Divisional Director of Operations Nikee Carnagey. "We are excited to be able to offer another training option for individuals hoping to enter the eyecare field."

Eyecare Specialists are a vital member of the health care field, providing eighty percent of all vision care in the United States. Whether helping to fit eyeglasses and contact lenses, following prescriptions from ophthalmologists and optometrists, or selecting frames for prescription mounting and prescription verification—Eyecare Specialists take on a wide variety of tasks and interact with patients on a daily basis.

A growing aging population means the number of people with vision issues will also climb in the coming years, making vision health care an excellent opportunity for trained Eyecare Specialists. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the profession is projected to grow 15 percent from 2016–26—at a much higher rate than the average occupation.

"Adding the Eyecare Specialist Program to our Riverside Campus demonstrates the College's commitment to producing well-trained vision health professionals," Carnagey shared. "Students who choose NWC's Eyecare Specialist Program will not only benefit from relevant classroom instruction, but will also have the chance to put their learning into practice—taking part in practical, hands-on training that will equip them to succeed in the World of Work."

About North-West College

Founded in 1966, North-West College has been committed to training individuals to enter and advance in the health care field for more than 50 years. A leader in allied health education, the College offers short-term programs at seven campuses throughout Southern California, including West Covina, Pomona Valley, Van Nuys, Glendale, Riverside, Anaheim, and Long Beach. Accredited by the Accrediting



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Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC) and approved by the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE), North-West College offers a supportive educational environment for those ready to start a health care career. To date, the College has graduated more than 50,000 students—individuals who have gone on to raise the standard of excellence at health care organizations of all types.

For more information about North-West College and its programs, visit <u>www.nw.edu</u>.

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