The New Legacy Committee welcomes the Puente Program!
Thank you, Sierra College!

Puente and Umoja students on a transfer tour of San Jose State University. Cesar Chavez Memorial Arch of Dignity, Equality and Justice; October 16, 2009.

Sponsored by the University of California, Office of the President (UCOP), the Puente Program brings a national-award winning reputation and opportunity for students to achieve academic success.

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For over 20 years, the Puente Program has improved the university transfer rate of thousands of California's historically underrepresented students. Puente is designed to increase the completion of English A and English 1A courses.

Through a comprehensive approach of English, Personal Development and History courses, Puente students also receive focused support from counselors and professional community mentors. This integrated model has increased the number of students who enroll and graduate from four-year colleges and universities. Eventually, Puente students will return to our communities as mentors and leaders to future generations, thereby breaking the cycle of historical underrepresentation.