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**SFCC President Advocates for Green Education on Capitol Hill**

**Santa Fe, NM, March 3, 2010** — Santa Fe Community College President Sheila Ortego is in Washington, D.C., to encourage Congress to pass comprehensive climate and clean energy legislation that will put a cap on global warming pollution and fund education and training for the state's emerging clean energy economy. Education, labor and conservation leaders are in Washington this week to urge the Senate to support America's competitiveness in a global economy by way of curricula, training and programming that incorporates clean energy and sustainability. The community college is engaged in a wide range of programs to decrease the carbon footprint of the campus, and is in the process of constructing a new Trades and Advanced Technology Center, which will house a Sustainable Technologies Center, a regional resource for green jobs training and renewable energy education.

**About Santa Fe Community College**

For more than 25 years, Santa Fe Community College has been the gateway to success for individuals and the community by providing affordable, high quality educational programs that serve the social, cultural, technological and economic needs of a diverse community. The college serves more than 14,500 students per year in its credit, noncredit and adult basic education programs. For further information, visit [www.sfccnm.edu](http://www.sfccnm.edu) or call (505) 428-1000.

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