

NEWS AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION INFORMATION FROM CLACKAMAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE • FALL 2020



Think 'visiting year' instead.

Incoming students from the high school class of 2020 and current college students across the nation are facing a big decision this fall. Attend college or take a year off?

A gap year is a year-long break that's typically taken before entering college. Given the many unknowns as to whether classes will be offered in person or online this fall at four-year universities, some may be considering taking the year off from their education. But is this the best time to put college on hold? There's

another way. The visiting year.

Students can achieve higher education success by relying on an affordable, high-quality educational resource right in their backyard: Clackamas Community College. CCC has the lowest tuition in the Portland metro area, offers robust student support as well as assistance in paying for college. Annual tuition at CCC is just \$5,079, compared to \$11,329 at public universities and \$35,195 for private universities.

At a time when unemployment is high, travel is restricted and people are being encouraged to

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HEAD OF THE CLASS Learn how to take your industry knowledge and become a teacher with CCC's Licensure Prep program.



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IMPORTANT DATES FALL TERM 2020



CCC is participating in statewide measures to slow the spread of COVID-19 in Oregon. This includes extending online learning, closing campus buildings and shifting services online, and canceling non-essential events through fall term. The college is working on a re-opening plan that includes an assessment of classes that may be held in person, increased safety measures and possible face-to-face student services.

To stay informed on how COVID-19 may impact fall and winter terms, visit www.clackamas.edu/coronavirus.

STUDENTS / STAFF

Fall term

Registration opened	June 1
Classes begin	
Term ends	Dec. 12

Winter term

Registration	begins	Nov. 16
Classes begin	າ	Jan. 4
		March 20

HOLIDAYS / CAMPUS CLOSURES

Veterans Day	Nov. 11
Thanksgiving holiday	
Winter break	
New Year's Day	Jan. 1
Martin Luther King Jr. holiday	
Presidents Day	Feb. 15
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Visiting year: Why pay the hefty university price tag?

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stay home, it makes sense to enroll at CCC. Why pay the hefty university price tag only to stay at home taking online courses, fully missing the fouryear university experience?

Many campuses may remain shuttered for the near future and distance learning will continue to take center stage. Even for campuses that decide to reopen, it's possible students will be asked to return home if there's a spike in COVID-19 cases. Rather than taking time off, enroll at Clackamas Community College for a visiting year and stay on track for when universities return to normal.

It's understandable to feel conflicted. However, taking a break in education comes at a cost. A late college start means one year less of earning potential. According to the Lumina Foundation and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, annual earnings for those with a bachelor's degree are more than \$30,000 more a year. Is delaying one's future worth that price?

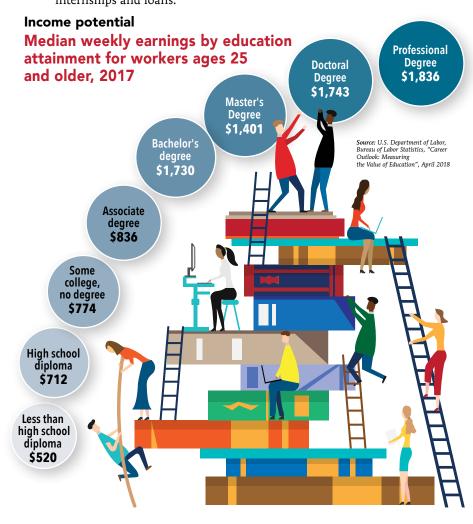
The world is on pause, but college doesn't have to be. What might appear to be a difficult decision may be as simple as looking closer to home and enrolling in Clackamas Community College.

CCC dollars and sense

Attending Clackamas Community College is a wise investment. It will not only save you money in the short term, but you will earn more money in the future.

Savings

- **Tuition:** Annual tuition at CCC is just \$5,079, compared to \$11,329 at public universities and \$35,195 for private universities.
- Scholarships: CCC offers +\$500,000 in scholarships each year.
- **Financial aid:** Our Financial Aid Resource Lab will help you find the funding you need to pay for college, including grants, scholarships, internships and loans.



FIND YOUR FOCUS

Need help deciding on a specific program of study at CCC? Start with one of these educational focus areas (EFA) that best match your interests:

- Business
- Creative Arts, Communication & Humanities
- Health Professions
- Industrial Technology & Automotive
- Natural Resources
- Social Sciences, Human Services & Criminal Justice
- Science, Technology, Engineering &
- Mathematics (STEM)
 Teaching & Education

Find out more by visiting www.clackamas.edu/ find-your-focus



Securing basic needs is the key to student success

Many students pursue college as a path to an economically secure future. However, struggles outside the classroom to meet basic needs like food and housing can put students' dreams on the line.

A recent survey of Clackamas Community College students showed that 59% of them experienced at least one form of insecurity in meeting basic needs while attending college. This means the majority of CCC students struggle with homelessness, hunger, housing and/or food insecurity. Without having their essential basic needs met, it becomes really difficult for students to attend, study and complete college to reach their goals.

CCC and its community partners are working to remove these barriers by providing students with resources to help navigate the challenges they face. These resources include emergency grants as well as child-

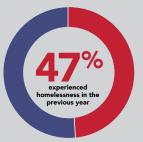
care, textbook and transportation support. Funding is now available to assist students who are experiencing financial hardship related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Caring staff are on hand to help students explore the financial aid grants, loans, work-study, scholarships and other resources they are eligible for.

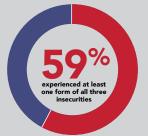
- For more information on emergency funding sources available at CCC, visit www.clackamas.edu/emergency-funding.
- For information on financial aid and scholarships, visit www.clackamas.edu/financial-aid.
- For information on community resources, including SNAP benefits, food pantries and nutrition services offered through K-12 school districts, visit oregonhunger. org/covid-19.

CCC student challenges at a glance









Source: 2019 #RealCollege Survey Report by The Hope Center for College, Community, and Justice at Temple University

Behind the desk at CCC to the head of the class

Since 2015, funding for high school career and technical education (CTE) has been on the rise in Oregon. During that time, however, the number of CTE instructors has declined. Fewer CTE teachers mean fewer CTE programs in the skilled trades.

Enter the Clackamas
Community College CTE
Licensure Prep certificate
program, a one-year, fully
online program that provides
the necessary skills to
become an effective teacher.
Topics include classroom
management, instructional
strategies and foundations to
career and technical education.
CCC was the first community
college in Oregon approved for
such a program and has made
great strides.

Meet Kaylee Tolley. After graduating with a bachelor's degree in business management in 2014, she worked in transportation management in the San Francisco Bay area before moving to Oregon and landing a job as a sales and showroom manager. But she quickly discovered her true dream was to become a teacher.

In 2018, Kaylee began working at Newberg High School where she helps students meet their credit recovery and essential skills requirements. "Working in



the high school has brought me more joy than I ever could imagine," Kaylee said of the experience. "I'm grateful to be surrounded by people who lift me up on my journey to becoming to a teacher."

The principal at Newberg High School recommended CCC's Licensure Prep program after Kaylee expressed an interest in teaching, and she enrolled. "I completed the entire program online while also working full time and being very involved at the high school. I loved the online setting, the flexibility and how the faculty made the classes so engaging," Kaylee said. "CCC's Licensure Prep program is an extremely affordable way to get your foot in the door as

an educator without getting a bachelor's or master's degree in education."

Kaylee is the first graduate of the college's CTE Licensure Prep program. "I'm excited for what my future in education holds and hope to teach business and marketing at the high school level," she said. The skills she learned have prepared her to go from behind the desk, to teaching in front of the class.

Learn more about how you can share your industry expertise by becoming a CTE teacher at www.clackamas.edu/cte-licensure-courses. For more information about the program, contact Laurette Scott at laurette@clackamas.edu.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

When economic times are hard, community colleges often serve as safety nets for the community. For those who have lost their jobs, we offer short-term certificates to retrain or train up to get back into the workforce again. For those whose university dreams are uncertain, we offer classes that easily transfer to four-year institutions.

Clackamas
Community College
also offers assistance
in paying for college
in a variety of ways,
including financial
aid, scholarships,
grants and emergency
funding. We can
help you pay not only
for tuition, but also
childcare, textbooks,
transportation and even
household expenses.

At Clackamas Community College, we believe every student has the right to achieve their full potential. We welcome all of you, no matter who you are or where you come from. As a member of this community, CCC is here to support you - in the good times and the bad. Our staff and faculty are dedicated to the success of our students and to the health of our community.

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Tim Cook, CCC President

Community Education updates

CCC Community Education, along with our local partners, have been working diligently to bring online options to the community. Online offerings at this time are available at the Milwaukie Center, Pioneer Center and Oregon City Community Education. As we continue to navigate this new world, we encourage you to connect with your local Community Education program for additional course availability.

MILWAUKIE

CCC Seasoned Adult Enrichment Program 503-594-0627

www.clackamas.edu/enrichment Due to COVID-19 precautions, we will not be hosting SAEP fall term.

Milwaukie Center 503-794-8092 www.ncprd.com

North Clackamas Parks and Recreation

503-794-8080, ext. 0 www.ncprd.com



GLADSTONE

Gladstone Community School 503-650-2570 www.clackamas.edu/gladstone

OREGON CITY

Oregon City Community Education 503-785-8520 www.ocsd62.org/

communityeducation

Oregon City Swimming Pool 503-657-8273 www.orcity.org

Pioneer Community Center 503-657-8287 www.orcity.org/pioneercenter

TEAM OREGON

Motorcycle/Scooter Safety Training 800-545-9944 teamoregon.org

WEST LINN

West Linn Parks and Recreation 503-557-4700 www.westlinnoregon.gov/parksrec

WILSONVILLE

City of Wilsonville Parks and Recreation 503-783-PLAY www.wilsonvilleparksandrec.com

Getting started at CCC

If you are a new student with no previous CCC credits, follow these 6 steps to get started. For more information, visit www.clackamas.edu/gettingstarted.

APPLY TO CCC

Visit www.clackamas.edu/ apply. Once you receive your welcome email, **log in to**

Navigate to review your to-do list, which will walk you through your next steps. *TIP: Log in to your myClackamas account frequently — it is CCC's primary means of communicating with students!

APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS (if applicable)

U.S. citizens and permanent residents: Apply at www.fafsa.gov. Undocumented Oregon residents: Complete the ORSAA at www. oregonstudentaid.gov. The ORSAA is for undocumented Oregon students, including students who have DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) status.

Apply for CCC Foundation Scholarships at www.clackamas.edu/scholarships.

SUBMIT PREVIOUS COLLEGE TRANSCRIPTS (if applicable)

CCC degree/certificate seeking: If you are transferring to CCC from a regionally-accredited U.S. institution, or if you have AP, CLEP, IB or DSST scores, submit your official transcripts to Graduation Services. Non-degree/certificate seeking: If a course requisite waiver is needed, submit unofficial transcripts to Advising & Career Services. Visit

www.clackamas.edu/transferring-to-ccc for details.

Math and writing placements must be completed prior to registration. Visit www.clackamas. edu/pass for steps to complete your placement assessment.

COMPLETE NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

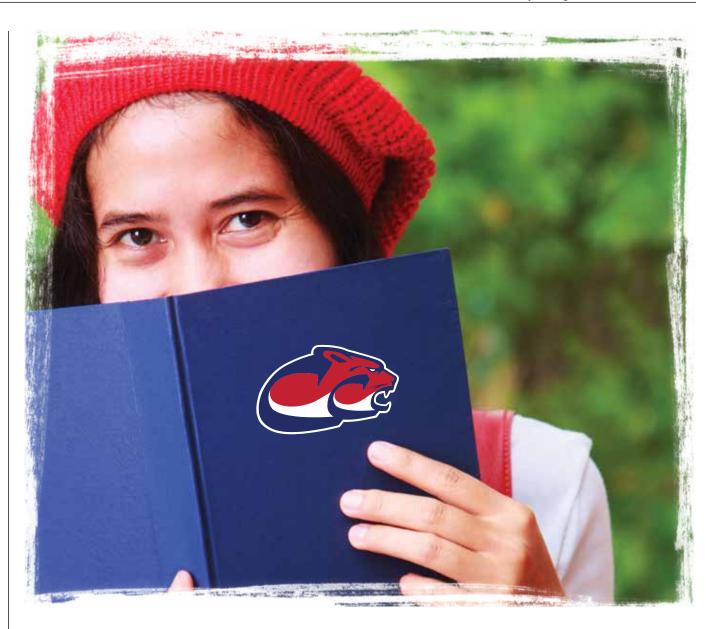
Available online via your myClackamas account, your orientation will familiarize you with CCC's resources, degree and certificate programs, student life and more. Orientation must be completed before registering for classes.

REGISTER FOR CLASSES

For help choosing and registering for your classes, visit www.clackamas.edu/advising to schedule an appointment.

DON'T FORGET!

Our Virtual Admissions Team is here to help you get started!
Call 503-594-3284 or email welcome@clackamas.edu.



Aprende Inglés en CCC

Clackamas Community
College ofrece clases para
aprender Inglés. Podemos
ayudarte a leer, escribir y
hablar en Inglés, para que
puedas alcanzar tus metas
educativas, profesionales y
personales. Incluso podemos
ayudarte a prepararte para
tomar clases universitarias.
Aprender Inglés puede ayudarte
a conseguir un trabajo, uno
mejor o ascender a un puesto
con un salario más alto.

Las clases de Inglés para quienes hablan otras lenguas son para residentes (inmigrantes, refugiados, residentes permanentes y ciudadanos de los Estados Unidos) que quieren mejorar su Inglés para cumplir sus metas educativas, laborales y personales.

Aprende:

- Lectura, escritura, comunicación, expresión oral y gramática
- Desarrollo de habilidades: vocabulario, ortografía, informática básica
- Cómo prepararte para la ciudadanía

Clackamas Community College ofrece clases de Inglés desde el nivel principiante hasta el nivel avanzado, y cursos que tan sólo cuestan \$30-\$60 por trimestre. También podemos ofrecerte ayuda financiera y entrenamiento laboral.

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Ponte en contacto con nosotros para más información:

- Oficina principal 503-594-6048 GEDandESL@clackamas.edu
- Nena (para español) 503-594-3234 nenam@clackamas.edu
- **Eda** (para ruso) 503-594-1674 eda.becker@clackamas.edu

Learn English at CCC

Clackamas Community College offers English language classes. We can help you read, write and speak English, so you can reach your educational, professional and personal goals. The college can even help you get ready to take college classes. Learning English can help you get a job, get a better job or advance to a

English for Speakers of Other Languages classes are for residents (immigrants, refugees, permanent residents and U.S. citizens) who want to improve their English skills for

higher-paying position.

educational, work and personal goals.

Learn:

- Reading, writing, listening, speaking, grammar
- Skill-building: vocabulary, spelling, basic computers
- How to prepare for citizenship

Clackamas Community College offers classes from beginning English through advanced, and courses are just \$30-\$60 a term. CCC can also provide financial help and job training.

APPLY TODAY! VISIT WWW.CLACKAMAS.EDU/ ESL

Contact us for more information.

- Main Office 503-594-0633 GEDandESL@clackamas.edu
- Nena (for Spanish) 503-594-3234 nenam@clackamas.edu
- Eda (for Russian) 503-594-1674 eda.becker@clackamas.edu