

Early College Programs

Early College Access Program

Through the Early College Access Program (formerly ESSENCE), students earn college credit while still at their home high school or home school, but do not attend HCC full-time. All students receive a 25 percent reduction on tuition rates they would be charged based on residency. Students who want to take full-time coursework through the Early College Access Program should contact HCC for admissions requirements.

Early College Access students take classes at HCC and/or in a dual-credit class at their high school. The dual-credit classes are those that award both high school credit and college credit.

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Early College Degree Program

The Early College Degree Program (formerly Middle College) is a partnership between HCC and Washington County Public Schools to allow college-ready high school students the opportunity to complete college degrees or certificates while completing their high school diplomas. In this program, students attend HCC full-time in their junior and senior years, after doing rigorous coursework preparation at their high schools during their freshman and sophomore years.

Early College Degree students will select an educational pathway that will put them on the right course for a career, and further higher education if desired, in one of the following areas:

- Advanced Manufacturing Systems
- Alternative Energy Technology
- Biology
- Biotechnology
- Business
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Cybersecurity
- Dance
- Digital Instrumentation and Process Control
- Electronic Health Records
- Engineering
- Environmental Studies
- Health Information Management
- Interactive Design and Game Development
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering Technology
- Music
- Physics
- Pre-Dental Hygiene*
- Pre-Medical
- Pre-Nursing*
- Pre-Pharmacy
- Pre-Radiography*
- Theater
- Visual Arts

*Special Note: Admissions to the Early College Degree Program does not guarantee admission to the dental hygiene, nursing, and radiography programs.

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Hagerstown Community College offers two options for academically strong high school students who want to get an early start on their college education.

What are the benefits of starting college early?

- ✓ Enhanced learning
- ✓ Starting and finishing college early
- ✓ Saving money on a college degree
- ✓ Building a college transcript while still in high school



Fast Facts



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Mission:

Hagerstown Community College ensures equitable access to affordable high quality educational programs, promotes practices and policies that ensure student success, and fosters innovation and collaboration to strengthen its regional workforce and community cultural development.

Vision:

HCC will be a learner-centered accessible, life-long learning institution dedicated to student and community success.

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Programs of Study

CAREER PROGRAMS

Accounting and Business
Administration of Justice
Administrative Assistant
Advanced Manufacturing (ADM)
ADM: Electronics Technician
ADM: Industrial Technology
Alternative Energy Technology (AET)
AET: Solar Energy Installation and Service
Biotechnology
Childcare Professional
Commercial Music
Commercial Vehicle Transportation Specialist (CVT) (Class A)
CVT: Transportation Administration
CVT: Transportation Management
Computer Tomography Imaging
Cybersecurity (CYB)
CYB: Cyber and Network Security
Dental Assisting
Dental Hygiene
Digital Instrumentation and Process Control
Early Childhood and Primary Grades Education
Electrical Engineering Technology
Entrepreneurship
Fitness Training
Graphic Design Technology (GDT)
GDT: Computer Graphic Artist
GDT: Graphic Production Specialist
Health Information Management (HIM)
HIM: Electronic Health Records
Human Services
Human Services Technician
Industrial Technology (INT)
INT: Welding and Fabrication
Information Systems Technology (IST)
IST: Computer Support Specialist
IST: Digital Forensics
IST: Interactive Design and Game Development
IST: Network Administration
Magnetic Resonance Imaging
Mammography
Management
Management: Marketing
Mechanical Engineering Technology (MET)
MET: Computer-Aided Design
Medical Laboratory Technician
Nursing
Paralegal Studies
Practical Nursing

Radiography
Substance Abuse Counseling
Technical Studies
Unmanned Aerial Systems (drone technology)
Web and Multimedia Technology (WEB)
WEB: Web Site Development
WEB: Web/Multimedia Development

TRANSFER PROGRAMS

Administration of Justice
Arts and Sciences
Biology
Business Administration
Chemistry
Community Health
Computer Science
Cybersecurity
Dance
Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education
Education
Elementary/Special Education
Engineering Science
English
Environmental Studies
Exercise Science and Health
Foreign Language
General Studies
Graphic Design
History
Human Services
Mathematics
Music
Paralegal Studies
Physics
Political Science
Psychology
Secondary Education, English
Sociology
Theater
Visual Arts