WE CAN CHANGE YOUR LIFE.

COD can help you achieve your academic goals.

College of DuPage
WHY CHOOSE COLLEGE OF DUPAGE?

Whether you want to earn your first degree, enhance your professional skills or change careers, College of DuPage offers high-quality academic programs and the flexibility and service busy adults need.

OUR COST

Attending College of DuPage is the most cost-effective move toward the career of your choice. COD is an affordable way to earn a first-time degree or upgrade current job skills.

Visit www.cod.edu/tuition for the current tuition rates.

COD CENTERS

In addition to our main campus in Glen Ellyn, we have four centers offering day, evening and weekend classes that are close to home or work. Staff is available to help you register for classes, answer your questions and schedule appointments with counselors who will help guide you in planning your course schedule. Visit cod.edu/centers for more information.

Addison ............ (630) 942-4600
Carol Stream ....... (630) 942-4888
Naperville .......... (630) 942-4700
Westmont .......... (630) 942-4800

“What with an education, I am empowered to speak, act and initiate change. Suddenly, I have a voice and people are listening.”

—Susan Nuestrom, Ed.D.

Susan Nuestrom dropped out of high school at age 16, yet her success story is quite remarkable.
EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS

CAREER SERVICES CENTER
If you need help setting career goals or job-search strategies, visit the Career Services Center. They can assist you with writing resumes, developing interview techniques, assessing your skills to prepare you for a marketable career, job placement or internships, and developing strategies for successful transition into new employment. These services are available at no cost to students and the community.

COUNSELING AND ADVISING
Counselors can assist if you are undecided about your career or educational direction. Advisors will guide you with course selection, placement tests or transfer planning. Faculty advisors are experts in their academic and program area and can help once you have selected your career choice.

VETERANS SERVICES
College of DuPage is dedicated to supporting veterans transitioning to student life. The Veterans Services office provides veterans with counseling and advising, academic assistance, career placement and benefits information. COD also provides a dedicated Veterans Lounge and study area with computers.

WHAT STUDENTS SAY

“I started with the lowest level math class and got a C. The last math class I took, business calculus, I got an A. Some of my friends pointed out, that’s quite a journey.”

—John Visone, pre-pharmacy major

Like many adults returning to school, John Visone knew he was in for a challenge. He was up for the challenge, too, with the help of COD’s Learning Commons.
TYPES OF DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

TRANSFER DEGREES

**Associate in Arts (A.A.):** Represents the first two years of study for students who plan to pursue a Bachelor of Arts degree.

**Associate in Science (A.S.):** Represents the first two years of study for students who plan to pursue a Bachelor of Science degree.

**Associate in Engineering Science (A.E.S.):** Intended for students who wish to prepare for transfer to a baccalaureate-granting school in the field of engineering.

**Associate in Fine Arts (A.F.A.):** Offers an option each in Art and Music, and is intended for students who wish to prepare for transfer to a baccalaureate-granting school with a Bachelor in Fine Arts or Music program.

| Accounting | Fashion Studies | Pre-Medicine |
| Anthropology | Geography | Pre-Nursing (BSN) |
| Art | History | Pre-Pharmacy |
| Biology | Humanities | Pre-Physical Therapy |
| Botany (Biology) | Languages (Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Russian, Spanish) | Pre-Veterinary |
| Business Transfer | Mathematics | Psychology |
| Chemistry | Music | Religious Studies |
| Clinical Laboratory Science | Philosophy | Social Science |
| Computer Science | Physical Education | Sociology |
| Criminal Justice | Physics | Speech |
| Earth Science | Political Science | Teacher Preparation |
| Economics | Pre-Science | Theater |
| Education | Pre-Architecture | Undeclared |
| Engineering | Pre-Dentistry | Wildlife Biology |
| Engineering Technology | | Zoology (Biology) |
| English | | |

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

**Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.):** Represents the completion of study in a career and technical education program. Students earning this degree may seek employment following graduation or transfer to a baccalaureate-granting college or university that has articulation agreements with College of DuPage for these programs of study.

**Associate in General Studies (A.G.S.):** Designed for students who desire to arrange a program of courses to meet their personal interests.

**Associate in Arts in Teaching Secondary Mathematics (A.A.T.):** Intended for students who wish to prepare for transfer to a baccalaureate-granting school to complete all requirements for a bachelor’s degree and teacher certification at the secondary level for mathematics.

**Associate in Arts in Teaching Early Childhood Education (A.A.T.):** Intended for students who wish to prepare for transfer to a baccalaureate-granting school to complete all requirements for a bachelor’s degree and the Type-04 Teacher Certification for Early Childhood Education.

| Accounting | Electro-Mechanical Technology | Medical Assistant |
| American Sign Language | Emergency Medical Technician | Medical Coding and Billing |
| Anesthesiology | English Technical Education | Medical Transcription |
| Anthropology | Facility Management | Motion Picture/Television |
| Architectural Technology | Fire Science Technology | Music |
| Automotive Service Technology | Geography | Nursing ADN |
| Basic Nursing Assistant | Health Information Technology | Office Technology Information |
| Cancer Registry Management | Health Sciences | Paralegal Studies |
| Computer Information Systems | Hearing Instrument Dispensary Program | Paramedic |
| Computer Internetworking | Counseling | Phlebotomy/EKG |
| Technologies | Construction Management | Photography |
| Construction Management | Cosmetology | Physical Education |
| Criminal Justice | Culinary Arts | Physical Therapist Assistant |
| Culinary Arts | Dental Hygiene | Polysomnography |
| Dental Hygiene | Diagnostic Medical Imaging | Practical Nurse for Military |
| Diagnostic Medical Imaging | Nuclear Medicine | Medical Corpsman |
| Nuclear Medicine | Radiology | Radiation Therapy |
| Diagnostic Medical Imaging | Radiography | Respiratory Care |
| Radiography | Long-Term Care Administration | Sociology |
| Diagnostic Medical Imaging | Magnetic Resonance Imaging | Speech-Language Pathology |
| Sonography | Mammaryography | Assistant |
| Early Childhood Education and Care | Management | Surgical Technology |
| Earth Science | Manufacturing Technology | Welding |
| Education | Marketing | |
If your goal is to acquire new skills quickly and be able to apply them immediately on the job, consider taking classes through Continuing Education. They offer a variety of classes and workshops for professional advancement or personal development. For more information, visit cod.edu/conted.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Explore health care certificate and nursing programs, project management, Commercial Driver’s License (CDL), food and beverage programs, Business Solutions (customized training for area employers) and more.

3+1=BACHELOR’S
A SMART WAY TO EARN YOUR DEGREE
College of DuPage has partnered with prominent universities to offer you high-caliber degree programs at a greatly reduced cost. And the best part is you take all of your classes at College of DuPage’s main campus in Glen Ellyn.

> Complete approximately three years of College of DuPage classes and one year from our partnering institutions as a full-time student.
> Advanced classes are taught by faculty from our partner universities on College of DuPage’s campus.
> Partner universities are educational leaders in their respective program areas.
> Advanced classes are offered at a significantly reduced tuition rate.

COLLEGE OF DUPAGE 3+1 PROGRAMS:

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For more information, email 3plus1@cod.edu or visit cod.edu/3plus1.

ADULT ENRICHMENT (ABE/GED)
Learn about our free Adult Basic Education (ABE), General Education Development (GED) and English as a Second Language (ESL) programs. Discover other programs such as adult test preparation for the GRE, GMAT and LSAT; tutoring; online Ed2Go programs; applied music lessons; lifelong learning courses; and many other adult enrichment classes.
CONVENIENT SERVICES

College of DuPage is here to help you succeed. Adult students make up more than 40 percent of the student population. For your convenience, most student services offices and the cafeteria are open in the evening. Check the website for hours of operation.

ACADEMIC COMPUTING CENTER
This center provides you access to computers on campus. You can also use the computer lab in each regional center.

BOOKSTORE
The bookstore offers you the opportunity to purchase new and used books, school supplies, cards, gifts, clothing, electronics, software and study aids. The bookstore accepts checks, cash, VISA, MasterCard, Discover and American Express. You can also sell books back to the bookstore with a photo ID.

LIBRARY
If you need to complete research for a class, you can access our collections and research databases on or off campus. The Library offers computers for your use and includes the College and Career Information Collection.

CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP
Assists entrepreneurs and small business managers in the areas of business management, marketing, finance and operations. The center also assists those interested in doing business with the government.

MCANINCH ARTS CENTER (MAC)
Since its opening in October 1986, the MAC has left lasting memories with more than 1.5 million audience members. Visit the MAC and enjoy theater, concerts, orchestra, choral touring and student productions. The Cleve Carney Art Gallery showcases regional and national contemporary artists, while the Belushi Performance Hall and the Lakeside Pavilion allow patrons to enjoy the arts all year long.

LEARNING COMMONS
If you are searching for academic help, Learning Commons offers tutoring in math, reading, writing and speech. Day, evening and weekend hours are available.
“I’m taking my first class, Introduction to Early Childhood, and I am learning so much. I came from a position of not knowing what to do or maybe saying the wrong thing to knowing how to handle it—and it works.”

—Ellen Hill, preschool teacher and COD student

Raising three children helped to prepare Ellen Hill for her next job as a preschool teacher at an area park district. When Ellen realized there was a lot more to learn, she enrolled in COD’s Early Childhood Education Care program.

DINING OPTIONS

ERNEST E. GIBSON CAFETERIA
Looking for a bite to eat? No problem. Our cafeteria, located on the first floor of the Student Resource Center (SRC), features food court style service with a full complement of hot and cold foods and beverages, along with a Chick-fil-A and Subway.

EINSTEIN BAGELS
Einstein Bagels is located on the first floor of the McAninch Arts Center. Stop by for a bagel, a variety of hot and cold food items or a hot or cold beverage.

STARBUCKS
Yes, we have Starbucks. If you need coffee, tea or a snack, head to the second floor of the Student Services Center (SSC).

WHEAT CAFÉ AND CULINARY MARKET
Students will operate a quick-serve concept at Wheat Café on Tuesdays. Students will offer breakfast and lunch items. Order your goodies to go at the Culinary Market counter and then grab a table at Wheat Café, where you can enjoy your coffee, a hot breakfast sandwich or a casual lunch offering.

The Culinary Market serves as a grab-and-go outlet for items created by students in the Culinary and Pastry Arts program. The market features baked goods, soups, cold salads, entrees and more, which are made from scratch on the premises.

For more information, visit cod.edu/w/wheat.htm.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION CENTER (PEC)
The Physical Education Center offers an 11,000 square-foot fitness center with state-of-the-art equipment. Sign up for a fitness class or enjoy personal and group fitness training. The PEC includes a 40,000 square-foot arena with indoor track and an eight-lane, 25-yard lap pool with built in ADA ramp.

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER (ECC)
If you are seeking a paid child care program for your children, the Early Childhood Center offers part-time preschool, full-time preschool and toddler care.
PAYING FOR COLLEGE

Figuring out how to pay for college can be difficult. Choosing College of DuPage gives you the opportunity to get an affordable, quality education. If you are worried about draining your savings account, retirement account or assuming overwhelming college debt, the Office of Student Financial Assistance provides a comprehensive range of services that reduces the economic barrier to obtaining an education. Visit cod.edu/tuition for the current tuition rate.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

To see what types of aid you may be eligible for, complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), www.fafsa.ed.gov.

FAFSA filing dates have changed.

If you plan to attend college in 2016-17 you need to submit your FAFSA as soon as possible after Jan. 1, 2016. Awards made until funds are depleted.

If you plan to attend college in 2017-18 you need to submit your FAFSA as soon as possible after Oct. 1, 2016. Awards made until funds are depleted.

For more information, call the Student Financial Assistance office at (630) 942-2251.

Types of Aid Available

> Federal Pell Grant
> Illinois MAP Grant
> Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant
> State Student to Student Grant
> Federal Work Study
> Federal Loans

For more information, visit cod.edu/financial_aid.

FLEXIBLE PAYMENT PLANS

College of DuPage offers you an opportunity to enroll in one of our convenient payment plans. We understand that you may not be able to pay in full as required at registration. To help make paying for college easier, we offer payment plans to help spread out your payments. If you are receiving financial aid (i.e. grants and loans), then you must enroll in the College’s deferred payment plan.

If you reside outside the College of DuPage district but are employed full-time within the district, you may be eligible for Special Residency Classification. Final decisions on residency status are made by the Office of Student Registration Services. No tuition adjustments are made after mid-term. Call (630) 942-2377 for more information.

SCHOLARSHIPS

You can do this. You deserve this. Give yourself a chance. Apply for a scholarship today! College of DuPage offers multiple scholarships for adult students who are returning to school. Whether you are returning to college or you have been taking classes for a while, there is a good chance there is a scholarship for you!

www.cod.edu/scholarships

REACH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

www.reach-chicago.org/scholarships

MILITARY EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS

Scholarships can extend the life of military education benefits and ease the burden of college costs. College of DuPage offers more than 120 scholarships. Veterans are highly encouraged to apply for Veteran specific and program specific scholarships.

For more information, visit cod.edu/admission/veterans.

TUITION REIMBURSEMENT

Sponsored billing is available if your employer will pay for your tuition and fees regardless of grades or class attendance. If grades or attendance are required for reimbursement, then you will need to pay for the classes and get reimbursed from your employer. You will be responsible for all charges on your account. For more information, call Student Registration Services at (630) 942-2377.

WIOA GRANT

Government assistance may be available under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Grant. Additional information is available at www.worknetdupage.org.

Workforce Development Services
2525 Cabot Drive, Suite 201
Lisle, IL 60532
(630) 942-2389

WHAT STUDENTS SAY

“The biggest impact with on-the-job training has been the fire investigator course and certification through College of DuPage ... everything involved with that program has been just the biggest help for me in my field.”

—Shawn Lamb, firefighter/paramedic and COD student

Experience has taught Shawn Lamb many things—among them, to finish what he started. The Darien-Woodridge firefighter/paramedic is about four classes away from earning his associate degree in fire science, a goal two decades in the making.
College of DuPage offers a wide range of programs with flexible scheduling and a variety of convenient ways to take classes that best fit your needs:

**ADULT FAST TRACK**
If you are over the age of 21, seeking an accelerated program and are seriously committed to continuing your education, Adult Fast Track is the program for you. Adult Fast Track courses are offered in an eight-week format with one regularly scheduled four-hour class per week to accommodate your busy lifestyle. Classes typically meet in the evenings or on Saturday mornings.

**COD ONLINE**
We offer more than 250 courses throughout the academic year, which can be taken individually or used to complete one of 10 associate degree programs or one of 29 certificate programs. Our online offerings are continually growing as we strive to offer students in DuPage County and beyond opportunities to learn that fit into their busy lifestyles.

**COOPERATIVE EDUCATION**
Acquire hands-on work experience in a career setting of your choice, get paid and earn college credit at the same time. If you are seeking a career change, had your job eliminated or have been downsized, this program may be perfect for you.

**CREDIT BY DEMONSTRATED COMPETENCE**
Earn college credit by taking a test that demonstrates your knowledge gained on the job or through other educational experiences.

**FIELD AND EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING/STUDY ABROAD**
The world is your classroom and you can learn in a variety of exciting environments worldwide.

**FLEXIBLE LEARNING**
Flexible Learning is an alternative to the traditional classroom setting or online learning. If you are limited by time or place, Flexible Learning courses may be for you. These self-paced courses have been designed to allow students to work independently under the guidance of an instructor.

**HYBRID COURSES**
Hybrid courses integrate 50 percent classroom instruction with 50 percent online learning which allows you to earn credit using a flexible, effective format.

**WEEKEND STUDIES**
You can earn full-time college credits by attending class only five alternate weekends per term, all day Saturday or Sunday afternoon.
WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT WHAT COLLEGE OF DU Page HAS TO OFFER?

Please call adult admissions at (630) 942-2398 or email adultadmissions@cod.edu for more information or to schedule an appointment. For your convenience, we offer evening appointments and phone appointments.

“I don’t think a day goes by that I haven’t thought about my connection to COD and how it has changed my life.”

—Jennifer Beaman, Registered Nurse

Raising six children on her own, Jennifer Beaman had little time or resources to start a career—until she found a way at College of DuPage.