

College of DuPage

Rio Almaria

almaria@cod.edu

Fall 2021





BENEFITS OF STARTING AT A COMMUNITY COLLEGE

- Degrees & Certificates
- Transfer Partnerships
- Affordability
- Resources & Student Life

Degree and Certificate Programs

DEGREES & CERTIFICATES (over 100+ Options)

Associate of Arts, Science and Engineering (AA, AS, AES)

- Most common degrees for students looking to transfer
- Heavy focus on general coursework
- "Undecided" student options
- Common programs: Biology, Psychology, English, Business

Applied Science Degrees (AAS)

- Most common degrees for students looking for a specific career path
- Less general coursework, more emphasis on technical skills
- Options to Transition to Bachelor's degree
- Common programs: Culinary Arts, Paralegal, Welding



CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Certificate courses of study are designed for students not pursuing an associate's degree but who are interested in taking technical or professional courses needed to enter a field of employment or to update current skills. Most courses taken in a certificate program may be applied to a degree in the same field of study.

- Complete all course requirements for specific certificates
- Minimum 2.0/4.0 on all COD Courses 1000 and above

Poplular Certificate Options

- Automotive
- HVAC (Air conditioning)
 - Office Technology
- Early Childhood Edcuation



Affordability

Tuition Comparison

College of DuPage	Public Four-Year University
Yearly Tuition: \$4,200	Yearly Tuition: \$14,870
Housing: Not Available	Housing: \$9,550
Parking: Free	Parking: \$900
Meals & Other Expenses: \$1,500	Meals & Other Expenses: \$3,200
TOTAL COST: \$5,700	TOTAL COST: \$28,520

AFFORDABLE TUITION

Tuition

- In-district 502:
 \$138 per credit
- Out of district:
 \$325 per credit



Cost break-down

One class:

Psychology 1100 (3 hours) x \$138 = \$414

- One semester: \$138 x 15
 - hours= \$2,070
- One year: \$2,070 x 2 semesters = \$4,140

COD Scholarships:

- Ethnicity
- Field of Study
- Volunteer Service
- Leadership

Scholars Award:

Minimum 3.5 GPA/4.0
 Scale or 4.37 GPA/5.0
 Scale

Deadlines:

- Fall- November
- Spring-TBD

Payment Plan

Plan Available Until:	Payment Details:
May 31, 2020	\$10 down; 6 payments (June - Nov.)
May 31, 2020	\$10 down; 5 payments (July - Nov.)
May 31, 2020	\$10 down; 4 payments (Aug Nov.)
June 30, 2020	15% down; 5 payments (July - Nov.)
July 31, 2020	25% down; 4 payments (Aug Nov.)
Aug. 31, 2020	35% down; 3 payments (Sept Nov.
Sept. 30, 2020	35% down; 2 payments (Oct Nov.)
Oct. 31, 2020	50% down; 1 payment (Nov.)

 Early Registration provides most options for spreading out payments!

Resources & Student Life

Campus Resource Highlights

Learning Commons	Career Services	Counseling/ Advising	Transfer Services
 Tutoring 	Resume Support	 Workshops 	 College Fairs
Test Prep	 Mock Interviews 	 Course plans 	 Transfer support and programs
Subject Support	Career Assessments	Mental Health Counseling	College Rep connections

Center for Access and Accommodations

Common Accommodations at COD...

NOT offered at college....

- Self-Identify (IEP separate process)
- Extended time on tests
- Preferential seating in classroom
- Assistive/Adaptive Technology
- Sign language interpreters
- Alternative format book requests

- Modified curriculum
- Co-Teachers in class
- Automatic support



Student Involvement

Student Organizations



60+ Student Organizations

Academic/Pre-Professional Recreation Cultural/Ethnic Political/Social

Field Studies and Study Aboard



#1 Study Abroad for community colleges

Short Term (Hiking, Classroom field studies)
Language Immersion
Semester Abroad

Athletics



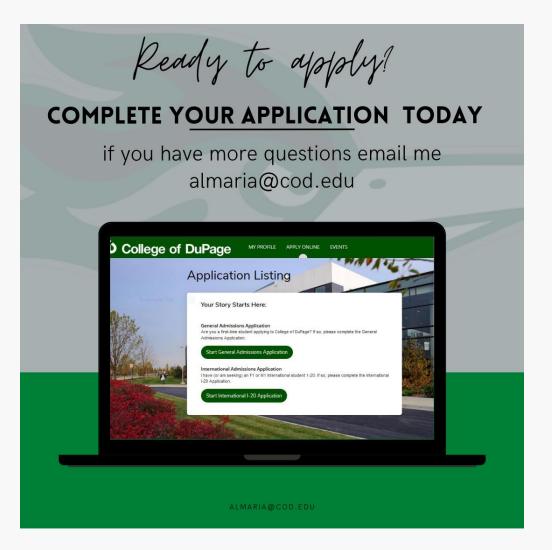
15 NJCAA Division 3 competitive Sports

Athletic Community



APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1. Create your profile
- 2. Complete application (no essays)
- 3. Create MyACCESS account/CODemail
- Prepare for meeting with COD Counselor
- 5. Take appropriate testing/transcripts
- Intake appointment with Center for Access and Accommodations IEP/504



ZOOM/PHONE/IN-PERSON APPOINTMENTS