

## **it's your time.**

What's your best next step for college or career goals? Make a smart move. Choose Parkland College. Here, you design an education that works for you. And we work right alongside you to make it happen.

After all, the mission of Parkland College is to engage the community in learning. Explore further to find out how we fulfill it.

## **the campus**

Parkland College is located in northwest Champaign, one of Illinois' most dynamic cities, less than three hours from Chicago, St. Louis, and Indianapolis, and just across town from the University of Illinois.

## **the students**

Students from surrounding central Illinois communities, from all over Illinois and the United States, and from 40+ countries attend Parkland College to achieve their academic goals in a safe, multicultural learning environment.

## **the faculty and staff**

Known for their friendly assistance, Parkland's faculty and staff from the president on down will all welcome you and help you succeed. Faculty have degrees and real-world experience in their fields, and are dedicated to teaching each and every student. Staff will help you find your way to class, advise you on your journey, and support you in every way possible.

## **the programs**

Explore your options and realize your strengths at Parkland College. With our 100+ associate's degree and certificate programs, you might just discover an amazing subject you never knew you loved—and enjoy a brand new career path.

## **experience Parkland for yourself!**

The best way to get to know Parkland College is to see it, and we'd love to see you! Schedule an individual or group tour with an admissions advisor or attend a campus visit or open house; see [parkland.edu/visitus](http://parkland.edu/visitus) for dates.

**office of admissions: 217/351-2482**

**[admissions@parkland.edu](mailto:admissions@parkland.edu)**

## **here is what surprises people the most about Parkland.**

- Planetarium. It's the second largest in the state, and is visited by 20,000+ people each year!
- Live radio WPCD-FM and PCTV television stations, plus a student-run sound recording label. Earn your broadcasting chops in working studios.
- State-of-the-art classroom and lab learning spaces. Amazing agriculture, automotive, and industrial training facilities. Health professions classes with high-tech human simulators.
- Art Gallery with national rotating exhibits and opening receptions with live music and artist talks.
- Dental Hygiene Clinic. Child Development Center. Those could be your classrooms! Working facilities open to community members.

- Completing our Gen Ed Certificate moves you quickly into courses specific to your major at all Illinois public universities and many Illinois private four-year schools.
- Solar panels. LEED-certified buildings. Prairie restorations. Parkland gets greener each year.
- Plenty of convenient car and bike parking, always free.
- Honors and student leadership opportunities, service-learning projects, student clubs and organizations.
- Life-changing study abroad opportunities to 10+ countries.
- 8 nationally-ranked athletic teams: golf, volleyball, softball, baseball, men's and women's soccer, and men's and women's basketball.

## **GO COBRAS!**

### **go ahead. reach out.**

Support services and extracurriculars abound at Parkland. Whether you need help with a tough class or assignment, or are ready to boost your resume, you will find opportunities here.

- Academic Advising  
plan your schedule and path to graduation, including transfer
- Accessibility Services  
ensuring equal access to learning
- Admissions Office  
your Parkland journey starts here
- Career Services  
help with career assessment, choosing a major, interviewing, resumes, more

- Counseling Support Center
  - individual and group therapy, coping skills, workshops, local and online mental health resources, and more for students
- Financial Aid and Veteran Services
  - help with paying for college
  - Parkland is designated Military Friendly®
- Learning Commons
  - academic support, tutoring
- Library
  - computer labs, research assistance, quiet study spaces
- Phi Theta Kappa International Honors Society, Honors Program
  - challenging educational opportunities, scholarships
- Service Learning
  - ongoing service projects connecting with the larger community
- Student Life
  - student clubs and organizations, student government,
  - Prospectus* newspaper, wellness initiatives
- Study Abroad
  - earn college credit abroad in 10+ countries
- TRiO/Student Support Services
  - federally-funded academic help for disadvantaged students

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# modes of instruction

Not everyone learns the same way. Parkland offers flexible course times and formats that fit a variety of lifestyles. Work from home, meet face to face, or do both in one class. It's college, your way.

- Fully in-person sections
  - meet on campus at published days and times
- Hybrid sections
  - have both scheduled on-campus meeting times and online components
- Flexible sections
  - meet on campus on published days and times but allow students the option to join online at that time if they are unable to be campus for some meetings
- Online sections
  - are totally online
- Online synchronous sections
  - are fully online but with synchronous, scheduled, real-time lectures and interaction with faculty

## it's your time to save on college.

College is an investment. Make a wise one by choosing Parkland. Our tuition costs are less than what you'd pay at a public Illinois university and a fraction of the cost of a private Illinois college.

### annual tuition comparison

Example: Average for a four credit-hour course.

Parkland College: \$171/credit hour\*

Public Illinois university: \$294/credit hour\*

Private Illinois college: \$1,518/credit hour\*

Under this model, a four credit-hour class would cost \$684 at Parkland, \$1,176 at a public Illinois university, and \$6,072 at a private Illinois college.

\*Averages based on AY 2021 tuition cost data available at [Collegellinois.org](http://Collegellinois.org)

### **career agreement for out-of-district students**

If your community college doesn't offer the program that you want to study, you may be able to take it at Parkland at in-district tuition rates. More information can be found at [parkland.edu/careeragreement](http://parkland.edu/careeragreement).

### **paying for college**

You may be eligible for scholarships and grants that you don't have to pay back; Parkland's Financial Aid office will assist you with the application process. Visit [parkland.edu/financialaid](http://parkland.edu/financialaid) or call 217/351-2222.

## **start here, transfer there.**

small classes + support = success at your four-year institution

### **Where Parkland students transfer:**

- 15% University of Illinois
- 2% Southern Illinois University
- 6% Illinois State University
- 9% Eastern Illinois University
- 14% Other Illinois universities
- 52% Out-of-state transfers

## **University of Illinois**

- You'll be well prepared to go across town: Parkland transfers more students into the University of Illinois than any other school, and Parkland graduates do very well there.
- Pathway to Illinois: dual-admissions partnership with University of Illinois for incoming freshmen. Visit [parkland.edu/pathway](http://parkland.edu/pathway) for more information.
- Students transferring from an Illinois community college are guaranteed admission into any of the University of Illinois locations through the U of I Transfer Agreement if they meet the requirements. Visit [go.illinois.edu/transferenceement](http://go.illinois.edu/transferenceement) for more information.

## **Other transfer options**

- Eastern Illinois University offers classes on Parkland's campus
- 2+2 partnerships around the country accept Parkland credits
- Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) identifies Parkland classes that transfer to Illinois universities
- The Illinois General Education Certificate (GEC) allows you to complete all undergraduate education courses quickly and is transferable to any public, and many private, four-year institutions in the state of Illinois

## **connect.**

### **apply ([parkland.edu/apply](http://parkland.edu/apply))**

advance your future, starting today

### **connect ([connect.parkland.edu](http://connect.parkland.edu))**

many of your enrollment resources can now be found on Parkland's student portal, connect

### **visit campus ([parkland.edu/visitus](http://parkland.edu/visitus))**

come take a look at campus

### **financial aid ([parkland.edu/financialaid](http://parkland.edu/financialaid))**

apply for financial aid by going to [studentaid.gov](http://studentaid.gov)

**assessments ([parkland.edu/assessment](http://parkland.edu/assessment))**

take assessment tests or send ACT/SAT scores to Parkland College before registering for courses

**orientation ([go.parkland.edu/orientation](http://go.parkland.edu/orientation))**

orientation for new students is available completely online

**advising and registration ([parkland.edu/advising](http://parkland.edu/advising))**

contact Advising Services to make an appointment to meet with your advisor to talk about your goals and plan your classes

**tuition and fees ([go.parkland.edu/tuition](http://go.parkland.edu/tuition))**

visit Connect and click “Pay Tuition”

**it’s your time to shine.**

Bright futures begin here, and you know it. You have the potential. We provide the support. So show us what you’ve got. We’ll help with the rest.

**[parkland.edu](http://parkland.edu)**

Parkland College ensures equal educational opportunities to all students regardless of race, color, national origin, gender, gender expression, disability, sexual orientation, veteran/Vietnam veteran era, age, or religion, and is Section 504/ADA compliant. For additional information or accommodations, call 217/351-2551.