

parkland college

welcome to cobra country.

Are you ready to enrich your life through education? You've come to the right place*, and here's why. Parkland College provides the access, excellent instruction, and support resources you need to turn your career and personal dreams into realities. Here, you will discover and challenge yourself as you grow into a global citizen, prepared to give back to your community. Step now into Cobra Country and join the 350,000+ alumni who have created brighter futures for themselves and those they love.

*The mission of Parkland College is to engage the community in learning.

“From Day One, my Parkland instructors have been supportive and encouraging. I couldn't have asked for a better group of trainers.”

Bayli Martinetti, Dental Hygiene

fast facts

- 8,500+ credit students annually
- 10+ countries for study abroad
- 15:1 student : faculty ratio
- 500,000+ in scholarships annually
- tops in transfers to University of Illinois
- 20+ clubs and organizations
- 130+ programs and certificates
- 8 NJCAA national titles
- 100% national exam pass rate for Surgical Technology and Respiratory Care students
- 20+ years of precision agronomy training

what you see:

parkland college at a glance

Parkland College is a fully accredited public community college that has provided career training and academic instruction since 1966.

campus

255 acres of inviting campus grounds, consisting of a central main building and several satellite buildings. This includes Parkland College on Mattis, which is home to our Community Education, Health Professions, and Construction programs.

specialized training centers

Specialized training centers equipped with state-of-the-art classrooms and lab learning spaces, designed to give students hands-on experience in the aviation, automotive, agricultural, and medical fields.

apprenticeships for career and technical programs

Obtain paid work experience, classroom instruction, and a nationally-recognized credential through a career pathway apprenticeship.

real-world community spaces for learning:

- automotive training center
- art gallery
- planetarium
- child development center
- live radio and TV stations
- gym/fitness center
- agricultural training center/greenhouse
- student-run sound recording label
- dental hygiene clinic
- proscenium and black box theatres

hands-on learning

- automotive training centers
- art gallery
- labs
- theatre
- dental hygiene clinic
- recording studio
- tv station
- agricultural facilities
- planetarium

what you learn:

areas of study

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.

For the most accurate list, visit parkland.edu/areasofstudy.

how you learn:

modes of instruction

Do college your way. Learn more about our convenient course formats at parkland.edu/modes-of-instruction.

fully in-person

Fully in-person sections meet on campus at published days and times.

online

Online sections are totally online.

online synchronous

Online synchronous sections are fully online but with synchronous, scheduled, real-time lectures and interaction with faculty.

hybrid

Hybrid sections have both scheduled on-campus meeting times and online components.

flexible

Flexible sections meet on campus at published days and times, but allow students the option to join online at that time, if they are unable to be on campus for some meetings.

where you live:

champaign-urbana and district 505

As a Parkland College Cobra, you become a part of the sister cities where we live and work—Champaign and Urbana—and the greater District 505 community.

Champaign-Urbana (C-U) is a diverse micro-urban community in east central Illinois, one of Illinois' most dynamic locations. We're less than three hours from Chicago, St. Louis, and Indianapolis. We're strong in technology and culture and loaded with small-town charm. Our growing community is home to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, a research university renowned for its top engineering school, robust international student population, Big 10 sporting events, and world-class entertainment.

campus

- Award-winning parks and bus transportation
- Home of Ebertfest
- State Farm Center, Memorial Stadium, Krannert Center for the Performing Arts
- CU Days, Pygmalion Festival, Streetfest

how you grow:

get involved

Parkland College is here to help you connect with other students, develop your leadership skills, and explore the community around you.

study abroad

Explore the world and earn college credit abroad in 10+ countries, including England, France, Ireland, and more.

service learning

Join ongoing service learning projects. These course-relevant services connect you with the community.

student life

Get involved with Student Life, Parkland College's center for student clubs and organizations, student government, wellness initiatives, and more.

phi theta kappa honors society and honors program

Grow academically, explore a creative interest, earn scholarships, enhance resumes, and more by joining the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society or the Parkland Honors Program.

campus life

- study abroad
- student employment
- student fairs
- study spaces
- student life events
- clubs and organizations
- athletics
- welcome convocation

- planetarium
- student services

who stands by you:

academic and student support services

Need help with a tough assignment or to pay for college? Ready to boost your résumé? You will find opportunities at Parkland College extracurriculars and support services.

academic advising

plan your schedule and path to graduation, including transfer

accessibility services

assuring 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, quiet study spaces

trio/student support services

federally-funded academic help for underserved students

“There are opportunities out here. Take that chance; the reward is amazing.”

Itzel and Idania Gaona, CDL Training Graduates

For more information about these valuable support services, please visit parkland.edu.

what you save:

cost, aid, & scholarships

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.

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. Learn more at 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 or call 217/351-2222.

annual tuition comparison

- Parkland: \$178.50/credit hour
- Public Illinois University: \$294/credit hour*
- Private Illinois University: \$1,518/credit hour*

Under this model, a four credit-hour class would cost \$714 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 collegeillinois.org.

how far you go:

start here, transfer there

Small classes + support = success at your four-year institution.

university of illinois

- You'll be well prepared to go across town: Parkland transfers more students into the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign 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 for more information.
- Students transferring from an Illinois community college are guaranteed admission into any of the University of Illinois campuses through the U of I Transfer Guarantee if they meet the requirements. Visit go.uillinois.edu/transferguarantee for more information.

other transfer options

- 2+2 partnerships around the country accept Parkland credits. Visit parkland.edu/transfer for more information.
 - Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) identifies Parkland classes that transfer to Illinois universities.
 - The Illinois General Education Certificate (GECC) 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. Visit parkland.edu/gecc for more information.
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- 52% Out-of-state transfers
 - 15% University of Illinois (UIUC)
 - 14% Other Illinois universities
 - 9% Eastern Illinois University

- 6% Illinois State University
- 2% Southern Illinois University

join us in cobra country today.

Contact us.

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Visit Parkland!

Schedule an in-person tour: parkland.edu/admissions

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parkland.edu/apply