

# PACT Allied Health

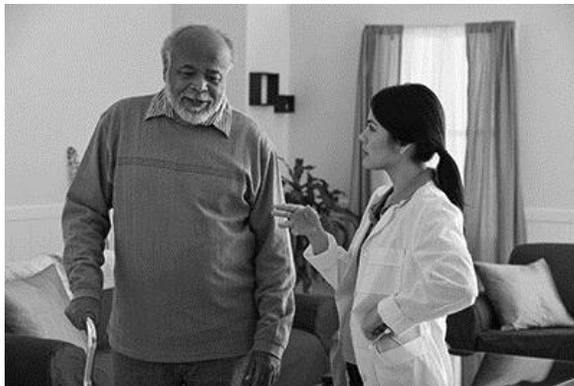
Professional Accelerated Career Training

## Overview

LLCC- Taylorville offers several opportunities for area high school students to experience college *before* college. Advising is an important part of the transition from high school to college. LLCC-Taylorville has a full time academic advisor to meet your needs. Call 287.7081 to make your appointment to discuss your future at LLCC.

The Professional Accelerated Career Training (PACT) Program is for those students who have career goals and want to get started on a particular career path. Students spend two hours, Monday through Friday, in class, each semester. Students will obtain a head start toward a career or completion of a degree or certificate program. Students should check with their respective high schools regarding cost of the program. Some schools pay for tuition and fees and/or books. Convenient interest-free tuition payment plans are also available.

## Employment



Numerous job openings and excellent job opportunities are expected. Most jobs are in nursing and residential care facilities and in hospitals. A high school diploma is required for many jobs; specific qualifications vary by occupation, State laws, and work setting.

Healthcare is experiencing rapid growth, due in large part to the aging of the baby-boom generation, which will require more medical care. In addition, some healthcare

occupations will be in greater demand for other reasons. As healthcare costs continue to rise, work is increasingly being delegated to lower paid workers in order to cut costs. For example, tasks that were previously performed by doctors, nurses, dentists, or other healthcare professionals increasingly are being performed by physician assistants, medical assistants, dental hygienists, and physical therapist aides. In addition, patients increasingly are seeking home care as an alternative to costly stays in hospitals or residential care facilities, causing a significant increase in demand for home health aides. Although not classified as healthcare workers, personal and home care aides are being affected by this demand for home care as well.

## Wages

**Median hourly wages \$11.46 per hour.** Median hourly wages of nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants were \$11.46 in May 2008. The middle 50 percent earned between \$9.71 and \$13.76 an hour. The lowest 10 percent earned less than \$8.34, and the highest 10 percent earned more than \$15.97 an hour.

**Median hourly wages \$30.02 per hour.** Median annual wages of registered nurses were \$62,450 in May 2008.

Source: Occupational Outlook Handbook 2010-2011

## Cost

### Fall Semester

Estimated tuition/fee cost .....\$100.50 per credit hour\*

Estimated book costs .....\$185.00

### Spring Semester

Estimated tuition/fee cost .....\$100.50 per credit hour\*

Estimated book costs .....\$250.00

\*please reference the current semester course schedule for exact tuition costs.



Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement and Welding Operator Programs are also available.

# Schedule

Fall Semester (August-December)					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
12:30-3:30	NAS 101	NAS 101	NAS 101	NAS 101	NAS 101
The CNA program has very strict attendance policies.					
Spring Semester (January-May)					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1:00-1:50	POS 101	HIS 102 <i>or</i> LIT 111	POS 101	HIS 102 <i>or</i> LIT 111	POS 101
2:00-2:50	SOC 101	HIS 102 <i>or</i> LIT 111	SOC 101	HIS 102 <i>or</i> LIT 111	SOC 101

# Course Descriptions

### **HIS 102 History of Western Civilization II 4 credits**

This course offers a survey of the political, economic, cultural, and social development of Western Civilization since 1660. Topics include Absolutism, the French Revolution and the Napoleonic Era, the Age of Liberalism, Nationalism and Socialism, the Industrial Revolution, European Imperialism and the rise of Totalitarianism. **R, W1** (4 lecture hours) IAI: H2 902, HST 914

### **LIT 111 Introduction to Literature: Novel 3 credits**

This course is an introduction to the critical study of the novel through the close examination of several selected novels. **R, W2** (3 lecture hours) IAI: H3 901

### **NAS 101 Basic Nurse Assistant 6.5 credits**

This course is designed to prepare students seeking employment as assistants to nurses in nursing homes, hospitals and home health care settings. It includes both classroom instruction and clinical experience. Students successfully completing the program will have met state requirements for and are eligible to take the required IDPH Nurse Aide Competency Exam. (5.25 lecture hours and 2.25 laboratory hours)

*Prerequisite: A minimum Accuplacer placement Reading test score of 60.*

*Note: Students are required to have a physical exam and two negative TB skin tests before they are allowed into the clinical area. Students must be present the first day of class.*

### **POS 101 Introduction to American Politics 3 credits**

This is an overview of the American political system including the structure, functions and processes of our federal government. Emphasis is placed on current illustrations of the continuing interplay of forces which constitute our political system. Successful completion of this course fulfills Illinois school code requirements in the exercise of citizenship under Chapter 122, Sec. 27-3, and statutory requirements for teacher certification. **R, W1** (3 lecture hours) IAI: S5 900, PLS 911

### **SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology 3 credits**

This course provides a study of the principles of human interaction and association and institutions and organizations which result in human grouping. Primary focus is on human behavior in group situations such as society, family, religion, communities and bureaucracies. Emphasis is also placed on human interpretations of situations. This involves culture, the process of socialization, education, group membership (voluntary or involuntary), social stratification and racial and ethnic groups. **R, W1** (3 lecture hours) IAI: S7 900

# Qualifications

- Students must be able to complete college level coursework;
- Students must be 16 years old at the time the term begins;
- Students are subject to all LLCC academic regulations and grading policies;
- Students are subject to LLCC prerequisites, placement guidelines and policies.

Interested students should talk with their high school counselors *and* call Dee Krueger, LLCC-Taylorville at 287.7081 or 1.800.572.5448.

*Limited seats are available in the PACT program*

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