

30326. The program's current accreditation status can be found at www.iecc.edu/nursing.

The Associate Degree in Nursing and Practical Nursing Certificate programs are approved by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, 320 W. Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Springfield, IL 62786.

The Automotive Technology program at Olney Central College has Master Automobile Service Technology Accreditation from the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE), 1503 Edwards Ferry Rd., NE, Suite 401, Leesburg, VA 20176.

The Cosmetology, Cosmetology Teacher, and Nail Technology programs are licensed by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, 320 W. Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Springfield, IL 62786.

The Medical Laboratory Technician program is accredited by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (www.naacls.org/), 5600 N. River Road, Suite 720, Rosemont, IL 60018-5119.

Wabash Valley College Physical Therapist Assistant Program at IECC Wabash Valley College Campus is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 3030 Potomac Ave., Suite 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22305-3085; telephone: 703-706-3245; email: accreditation@apta.org; website: <http://www.capteonline.org>. If needing to contact the program/institution directly, please call (618) 393-3356 or email fredericka@iecc.edu.

The Radiography program is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology, 20 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 2850, Chicago, IL 60606-3182.

NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

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This is applicable to educational programs and offerings, activities, and services provided or operated by IECC. Additionally, this applies to all conditions of employment. For more information, refer to the Student Rights and Responsibilities section or visit the website at www.iecc.edu/nondiscrimination.

CONSUMER INFORMATION (500.33)

Illinois Eastern Community Colleges provides specific consumer information to current and prospective students as required by the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. This includes information pertaining to the institution, student financial aid, campus safety and security, student and instructional services, and student outcomes. All information pertaining to Student Right to Know/ Consumer Information Disclosures can be found on the IECC website at www.iecc.edu/disclosures.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (100.37)

Illinois Eastern Community Colleges complies with the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 ILCS 140. All requests for information are received and processed by the Executive Director of Human Resources at the District Office in a timely manner and in accordance with IECC written policy and procedures. Additional information can be found on the IECC website at www.iecc.edu/foia.

PURPOSE OF CATALOG

This catalog is for informational purposes only and does not constitute a contract between the student and the community college district. The student alone is ultimately responsible for completion of the requirements of a degree or certificate.

Access the most up-to-date information at our website: <https://www.iecc.edu/catalog>. Each campus's student handbook, containing supplemental information, is also available online.

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT

ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE (PTA D346)

The Physical Therapist Assistant AAS focuses on the theory and hands-on applications required to gain entry-level employment opportunities in the Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) field of study. The program's mission is to provide students with an exceptional educational experience leading to competent, service-oriented patient-care providers.

Persons interested in applying to the PTA program may contact Student Services at WVC to schedule an appointment with an advisor and begin the application process. Program information may also be accessed at www.iecc.edu/wvc/pta.

Accreditation and Licensing

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This program of study prepares students to seek a professional licensure or certification in the state of Illinois and may not meet minimum requirements for other states. See the Professional Licensure Disclosure at www.iecc.edu/licensuredisclosure for more information.

Application Requirements

Qualified applicants are ranked for admission to the WVC Physical Therapist Assistant program based on a composite score derived from the Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS) exam and GPA of specific high school science, social science, and mathematics courses or college level program support courses.

To qualify for ranking, prospective students must:

1. Complete an application to Wabash Valley College by deadline to be ranked for the fall semester. (Contact student services for this date.)
2. Verify residency.
3. Submit Transcripts.
 - Official High School or GED equivalent;
 - Official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions.
4. Have achieved a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 for all college level courses, or if no college coursework has been completed, a cumulative high school GPA of 2.5. Students making application for the same year they graduate from high school must have a 2.5 GPA at the end of the first semester of their senior year to be eligible to apply. NOTE: Grades of F in college level courses from institutions outside of Illinois Eastern Community Colleges may be eligible for a grade

forgiveness process for ranking purposes for acceptance into the PTA program. The grade forgiveness affects cumulative GPA for ranking purposes only. This grade forgiveness would be done manually and only one time and would not affect the applicant's official cumulative grade point average.

5. Sign up for and take the TEAS exam.
6. Submit results of the TEAS exam; the following guidelines apply.
 - Official copies of TEAS test results must be submitted by the deadline. (Contact student services for this date.)
 - The TEAS exam may be taken up to two (2) times per ranking period.
 - Prior TEAS test scores may be used for ranking for admission consideration if the test was taken within 36 months of the ranking deadline. If the prior exam was more than 36 months before the ranking deadline, a new test shall be required.
 - If the TEAS is taken at another institution, it is the student's responsibility to have test scores submitted to Wabash Valley College.
 - Applicants should contact the PTA program director for acceptance updates after taking the TEAS exam.
 - The cost of testing will be paid by the student.

All prospective students must review the Program Handbook. It is also highly recommended that prospective students complete a minimum of eight clinical observation hours in a PT facility. Contact the Program Director for additional application requirements. Applications are accepted until all seats are filled.

Required Technical Standards

1. Sufficient eyesight to observe patients, manipulate equipment, and evaluate patient care quality.
2. Sufficient hearing to assess patient needs and communicate verbally with other health care providers.
3. Satisfactory verbal and written skills to communicate promptly and effectively in English.
4. Sufficient gross and fine motor coordination to respond promptly, manipulate equipment, lift a minimum of fifty pounds, and ensure patient safety.
5. Satisfactory intellect, emotional, and mental functions to exercise independent judgment and discretion in the safe technical performance of patient care procedures.

Requirements after the Student is Accepted into the Program

1. Secure his/her position in the class by contacting the Program Director in writing stating his/her intention to begin the program. If letter of intent is not received by the date indicated, an alternate student will be admitted to the program. Failure to start the