

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS POLICY (500.38)

The Board of Trustees of Illinois Eastern Community College District No. 529, upon the recommendation of faculty, staff, and the chancellor, will grant a certificate or degree to students who meet the requirements of a program. It is the student's responsibility to know and follow the requirements of the curriculum and the rules governing academic work. No IECC official or faculty member can relieve a student of this responsibility.

To graduate, all students must:

1. Successfully complete all of the prescribed requirements in the selected program of study for the effective Catalog Term;
2. Earn, at a minimum, the required number of college-level credits at IECC:
 - For a degree, 16 credit hours
 - For a certificate, 16 credit hours or 50% of the required credit hours, whichever is less;
3. Earn a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 for all IECC coursework;
4. Satisfy all IECC financial obligations;
5. Fulfill any outstanding requests for records; and
6. Make application for graduation and pay any associated fees by the due date.

Graduation Honors

Graduates who meet the following academic achievements will be recognized at the college's commencement ceremony and an appropriate designation will appear on their transcript and diploma.

Honor Designation	Graduating Class of Fall 2023 and Prior	Graduating Class of Spring 2024 and After
Highest	N/A	4.0 GPA
High	3.90 GPA or greater	3.75 – 3.99 GPA
Honor	3.50 to 3.89 GPA	3.50 – 3.74 GPA

These honors are awarded based on the student's cumulative grade point average for college-level coursework completed from IECC through the term prior to graduation.

TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS

Current and former IECC students may obtain both unofficial and official transcripts of their education records by following the instructions below.

Unofficial Transcripts

There's no charge for unofficial transcripts obtained via a link in a student's Entrata account. Standard charges apply for unofficial transcripts obtained through the Student Records Office. These transcripts will be identified as "Unofficial Transcript". Be advised that most colleges and universities accept only official transcripts submitted to the receiving institution by the college issuing the transcript.

Official Transcripts

There are 2 options for requesting official transcripts:

1. Online at the National Student Clearinghouse. IECC has partnered with the National Student Clearinghouse to process transcripts online. A link from a student's Entrata account provides access to the site where there are easy-to-follow directions to aid in placing the order. A major credit or debit card is necessary.
2. In person in the Student Records Office at the college. A completed transcript request form, photo ID, and payment of the fee are required prior to release of the transcript.

For more information or to request a transcript, visit www.iecc.edu/transcript.

CAREER AGREEMENTS

IECC participates in a state-wide cooperative agreement to maximize Career and Technical Education opportunities for Illinois students. Under the terms of the Comprehensive Agreement Regarding the Expansion of Educational Resources (CAREER) agreement, students may enroll in an eligible CTE certificate or degree program at a community college outside of their home district and pay the in-district tuition rate. The agreement is authorized by the student's home district who will ensure the desired curriculum is not available in-district.

Out-of-District Students: Students residing outside IECC District 529 who want to enroll in an Associate in Applied Science Degree or a certificate not available from their own community college should contact their local college at least 30 days prior to the semester for which they'd like to enroll.

In-District Students: Students residing inside IECC District 529 who want to enroll in an Associate in Applied Science Degree or certificate not offered at IECC should contact their advisor to begin the process.

ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS

IECC has several Articulation Agreements with other institutions to better serve our students with a smooth transfer, to minimize duplication of instruction, and to build on learning experiences. For a complete list, visit: www.iecc.edu/articulation.

FRANKLIN UNIVERSITY ALLIANCE

Franklin University offers a 3 + 1 Transfer Program to IECC students. A student can take the first three years at Frontier, Lincoln Trail, Olney Central or Wabash Valley at the lower tuition rate; transfer the maximum amount of credits; and finish the 4th year at Franklin online, on campus or a combination of both, earning a bachelor's degree from a university accredited by an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department