



9 Fall Tuition and Fees Due

14 In-Service; College Closed 8:00-9:00 AM

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25 CMA Pinning Ceremony

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The Pipeline for the Advancement of the Healthcare Workforce

The Pipeline for the Advancement of the Healthcare Workforce Program (PATH) Grant aims to create, support, and expand opportunities for individuals in or interested in healthcareer programs, allowing them to earn degrees or certifications and advance their careers!

Illinois Valley Community College has made tremendous strides in supporting our healthcare students with the help of the PATH Grant! As we embark on the second year of the Grant, we are thrilled to support another group of curious, ambitious students looking to make a difference in the healthcare industry and community. During the 2022-2023 school year, IVCC and the PATH Grant assisted over 100 students on their journey toward a

fulfilling career in helping others! The support from the Grant has been instrumental in equipping aspiring healthcare professionals with the knowledge, skills and resources they need to thrive in their education and future careers! With the continued assistance of the PATH Grant, we anticipate an even better school year ahead and we hope to continue to build a brighter future for the healthcare industry, one dedicated student at a time!

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*Credit applications for the 2023-2024 school year closed on July 28th. Please reach out to Kimber King with future interest.

*Non-credit application can be found [here](#).





Health professions encompass a wide range of career paths tailored to address diverse patient needs. IVCC proudly offers multiple health programs, each catering to various educational and patient care levels. If you aspire to make a positive impact on someone's life, consider venturing into a health-related field!

Credit Programs:

1. Certified Nursing Assistant*
2. Dental
3. Emergency Medical Services*
4. Licensed Practical Nursing*
5. Medical Assistant*
6. Phlebotomy*
7. Nursing (RN)*

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Non-Credit Programs:

1. Medical Billing and Coding*
2. Certified EKG Technician*
3. Pharmacy Technician*
4. Certified Medical Administrative Assistant*
5. Sterile Processing Technician*
6. Certified Physical Therapy Aide*



Local Job Postings

IVCC Career Services can assist current IVCC students as well as IVCC graduates with finding employment opportunities, as well as, developing skills and learning tips to resume/cover letter writing and interviewing.

CLICK ON JOBS LISTED BELOW FOR MORE INFORMATION

- [Medical Assistant](#)
- [Emergency Medical Technician](#)
- [Certified Nursing Assistant](#)
- [Patient Access Associate](#)

Monthly Support Spotlight



PROJECT SUCCESS

Student Support Service

The mission of Project Success is to assist, support and empower students in achieving their academic goals and life-long successes! Students are assisted in determining their strengths and limitations, assessing their interests, and planning a systematic program of educational, social, and personal development.

See page 5 for additional details!

An Interview with Nursing Student, Samantha Harris

Samatha Harris is a second-year nursing student, who has received the PATH Grant for the past three semesters to assist her educational pursuit toward a fulfilling career in nursing!

What was your situation prior to enrolling?

"Before enrolling back to school, I was working as a bartender at various local restaurants."

What made you decide to seek a new career in nursing?

"I always knew I wanted to be part of something that was challenging and involved constant learning. My grandfather's passing really opened my eyes to the fact that my family does not have anyone with a health care background to take care of our loved ones as they age. Nurses in any field are so kind and compassionate and truly make an impact on so many lives. I want to be that person and to have a career my children can look up to."

Why did you choose the nursing program/IVCC?

"Being a single mother of school aged children, IVCC has given me the opportunity to further my education while being local and readily available for my family. The nursing program at IVCC offered a wide variety of hospitals for clinical experiences that caught my interest as well. I also fell in love with the skills lab that I knew I would utilize being a hand-on learner!"

How has PATH and the nursing program assist you?

"I am very fortunate to have had financial assistance from PATH for two consecutive semesters so far. Having some financial relief has helped a great deal with everyday things such as childcare to help with attending classes."

What is your goal after completing the nursing program?

"I want to explore all the opportunities



that come with having my degree. The great thing about nursing is there are so many places to go. I want to find the place that fits me best. I also want to buy a home!"

How do you feel PATH/nursing program has changed you or contributed to your future?

"PATH is so much more than financial assistance. Kimber, the Health Careers Navigator always has a listening ear. She helps with a variety of issues one may face along the way of meeting your goals. I always look forward to our check-in sessions. All of my nursing instructors and directors have given me so much motivation and support along my journey as well."

Do you have any advice for students considering a healthcare program?

"Once you take the step into healthcare, there will be an abundance of support along the way. Use the unlimited resources IVCC has to offer to aid in your success! Nursing is a life changing experience you will not regret!"



LICENSED MASSAGE THERAPISTS


IVCC's Continuing Education Center is pleased to announce the availability of scholarships for professional development courses for **Licensed Massage Therapists**. For additional information on courses, how to register and scholarship requirements, please email continuingeducation@ivcc.edu.

[SEND EMAIL](#)

MONTHLY WELLNESS TIP

Work in some extra steps when you can!

How?

1. Walk & Meet! Try turning your meetings or study sessions into walking ones.
2. If you can, try to park a little further away than your usual spot.
3. Whenever possible, choose the stairs over the elevator.
4. Sign up for a class that promotes wellness! Check out our new **Beginning T'ai Chi** class. 



Beginning T'ai Chi @ Nell's Woodland

T'ai chi comprises gentle and slow movement exercises which increase the accumulation, circulation and balancing of energy. The movements are easy to learn and appropriate for people of all ages and physical abilities. Those who regularly practice T'ai chi experience greater energy, better balance and enables and improved quality of life.

This class will introduce you to T'ai chi while experiencing the benefits of practice.

Thu Aug 24-Sep 21 | 5-6 PM
5 Sessions | Dan Retoff
Wellness Bldg. Class ID: 11311 \$59
Nell's Woodland, Ottawa

[REGISTER](#)

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PROGRAM INTEREST	Visit Health Professions web page for a complete list of program contacts
ACADEMIC COUNSELING	Visit IVCC's Counseling web page or call 815-224-0360



What is Project Success?

Relationships Are Important!

The Project Success staff builds solid relationships with their students. These positive relationships are critical to the success of every student who participates in a TRIO Program. The staff of Project Success strives to provide a supportive environment that encourages the personal and academic growth of participants.

Services Available!

Project Success offers the following services to program participants: Personal Attention and Support Academic Advising and Priority Registration

Project Success Computer Access & Printing in CTC204
Transfer Assistance to 4-year Colleges and Universities
Cultural Events/Leadership Training
Workshops

Limited Scholarships

Who is Eligible?

1st Generation College Students

Your parents do not have a 4-year college degree
Low-Income College Student Do you get a Pell Grant?

Student with a Documented Learning or Physical Disability

Project Success Staff Members

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