Getting to College 101

5 Steps for Success • Spring Semester 2018

Apply to ACC

Complete your application for admission. It only takes a few minutes, and it's FREE!

Or, if you prefer, complete an online application at home at www.alpenacc.edu/apply.

Please note: ACC cannot process your financial aid or COMPASS Assessment without your completed application. **Recommended Completion Date: Anytime! (Must be completed prior to COMPASS Assessment, Financial Aid processing, and Class Registration)**

Apply for Financial Aid (FAFSA)

Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online as soon as possible. The 2017/2018 FAFSA is available now. Apply online at **www.fafsa.gov** and authorize electronic release of the results (called the Student Aid Report or SAR) to ACC by including our code number, **002237**.

Take the ACCUPLACER Placement Assessment

The ACCUPLACER Placement Assessment is required for:

All new ACC students who **do not have** ACT Reading, English, and Mathematics sub scores of 18 or higher, and wish to register for more than one course **OR** have not earned a minimum of 12 college credits including at least one college level course in either English or Mathematics **AND** all students who enroll for the first time in an english or mathematics course.

To schedule an appointment contact Beth Matzke in the Testing Center at 989.358.7209.

Mandatory Orientation

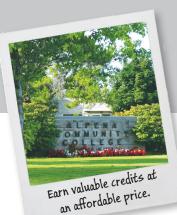
All new students must attend a mandatory orientation session where they will meet with an advisor, register for classes, and get a better feel for college expectations. Your advisor will help you plan what courses you need to take to achieve your academic goals. Choose the most convenient orientation time at either the Alpena or Oscoda campus.

Register and Pay for Classes

Spring 2017 *EARLY REGISTRATION* begins **Monday, October 30, 2017** and runs through Friday, December 8, 2017. Register early for the best choices of class days and times.

Spring Semester Classes start Monday, January 15





Thinking of a 4-year College or University? ACC Credits Transfer

The credits you earn at ACC >> **DO TRANSFER.**

Starting your education at ACC and then transferring to complete your bachelor's degree can save you thousands of dollars, and ACC offers numerous courses that transfer directly to other 4-year colleges and universities.

Steps for Transfer Success

1. PLAN AHEAD:

This is the single most important part of having a smooth transfer experience. If you know before starting ACC that you will want to transfer in the future, you're in an advantageous position. You can plan your course load with care, **ensuring all of the classes you take will transfer into the program and school you have in mind.**

2. MEET WITH AN ADVISOR:

If you are planning on transferring to a four-year college or university, we encourage you to meet with an ACC academic advisor. Advisors have information available regarding transfer agreements, and can help you plan your classes accordingly. Getting **regular** advising from a counselor or academic advisor will help you complete course requirements for an ACC certificate or degree and prepare for transfer to the college or university of your choice.

3. EVALUATE COLLEGES:

Contact the colleges you are interested in and ask them for transfer information—many schools even have a transfer guide available online. Meet with college representatives when they visit ACC's campus and ask them about transferring and other admissions requirements.

4. APPLY EARLY:

Know your chosen college's application requirements. Apply for Financial Aid, listing each institution in which you are interested on your FAFSA. Inquire about scholarships available to transfer students. Make housing decisions. Attend any orientation sessions that are offered by the transfer college/university.

The Michigan Transfer Agreement:

ACC participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement (effective Fall 2014) between public and private community colleges and universities in Michigan. This agreement provides ACC students more assurance of having completed their general education requirements when they transfer to a participating four-year college or university. Working closely with your academic advisor is recommended to assure meeting MTA requirements. To fulfill the Michigan Transfer Agreement, students must successfully complete at least 30 credits, with at least a 2.0 in each course. Students can visit www.michigantransfernetwork.org, a centralized web-based system that allows any student who has completed a course at any Michigan College or University to find the equivalency for that course at any other Michigan College or University.

Bachelor's Degrees Available on ACC's Main Campus

Did you know students can earn a bachelor's degree right on ACC's campus? The Madeline Briggs University Center is located just west of Van Lare Hall. Both Northwood University and Ferris State University offer on site programs, making it even easier for students to transfer their credits to earn a Bachelors Degree. Northwood offers a Bachelor of Business Administration program with focuses on Health care Management, Management, Computer Information Management, Accounting, and Automotive Supply Management. Ferris State University students can earn a Bachelors Degree in Integrated Studies.