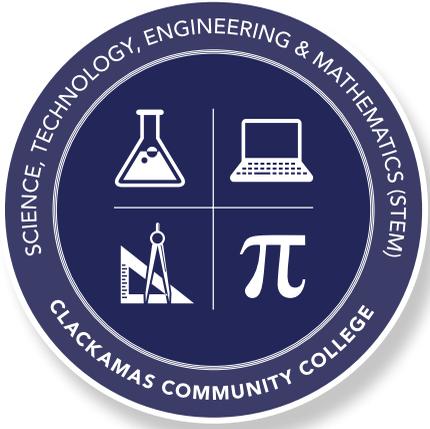


# Clackamas Community College

NEWS AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION INFORMATION FROM CLACKAMAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE • FALL 2025



## YOUR FUTURE IN **STEM** *Starts Here!*

Whether you're curious about coding, enthusiastic about engineering, bonkers about biology or simply serious about STEM, CCC can help turn your passion into a profession. The STEM field is full of possibilities, from websites and building design to laboratories, GIS technology and everything in between.

### CCC OFFERS SEVERAL DEGREE AND CERTIFICATE OPPORTUNITIES:

Associate of Science and Associate of Applied Science degrees –  
*two years to complete*

- Biology
- Computer and network administration
- Computer science
- Engineering
- Full-stack web development
- Geology

Certificate programs –  
*one year to complete*

- Computer application specialist
- Computer and network administration
- Front-end web development

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### REGISTER TODAY!

Scan the QR code or visit  
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stem-focus](http://www.clackamas.edu/stem-focus)



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## Expand your horizons with CCC's STEM activities and resources

At CCC, not only will you get a hands-on education in state-of-the-art science and technology facilities, you'll also have opportunities and access to resources to help grow your STEM knowledge.

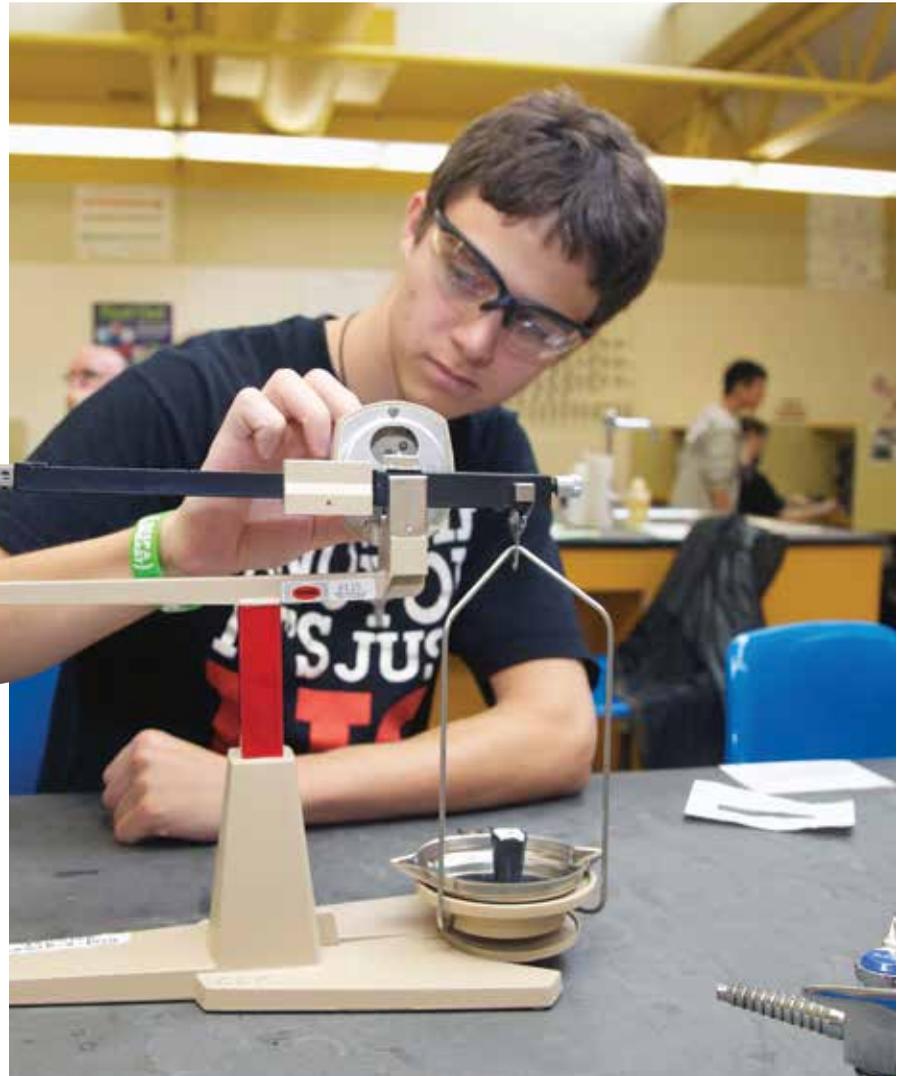
■ **STEM Center:** The STEM Center helps students by providing resources, connections and discussions about STEM fields.

■ **STEM Talks:** Learn more about STEM fields and possible careers directly from the professionals at a STEM Talk. Past talks have included professionals from Intel, OHSU and more.

■ **Field trips:** Take your learning outside the classroom on a STEM field trip through our biology and engineering departments.

■ **Internships:** Get real-world experience in our paid engineering and computer science internship program.

■ **Innovation Challenge:** Have an innovative idea to help solve problems in the community? Pitch your idea, build a prototype and show off the finished project for a chance to win grants or prizes.



■ **STEM tutoring:** Keep your skills sharpened and build your resume by working with students at all levels of the learning process as a STEM tutor.

■ **STEM Club:** Connect with fellow students who are interested in STEM. Learn more about CCC's STEM programs at [www.clackamas.edu/stem-focus](http://www.clackamas.edu/stem-focus).

## IMPORTANT DATES FALL TERM 2025



### Want more information about events at Clackamas Community College?

Sign up for our monthly newsletter at [www.clackamas.edu/community-member](http://www.clackamas.edu/community-member).

#### STUDENTS / STAFF

Term begins ..... Sept. 29  
Term ends ..... Dec. 13

#### HOLIDAYS / CAMPUS CLOSURES

Labor Day ..... Sept. 1  
Veterans Day ..... Nov. 11  
Thanksgiving ..... Nov. 27-28  
Winter break ..... Dec. 24-25  
New Years holiday ..... Jan. 1

#### THEATER EVENTS

Fall mainstage production ..... Nov. 13-23  
Student performance showcase ..... Nov. 18-22  
For upcoming theater events, visit [www.clackamas.edu/theatre](http://www.clackamas.edu/theatre).

#### MUSIC EVENTS

Jazz Harmony ..... Nov. 5  
Instrumental jazz night ..... Dec. 2  
Contemporary music ensemble ..... Dec. 3  
AVE and vocal ensemble ..... Dec. 5  
Holiday music gala ..... Dec. 12  
For upcoming music events, visit [www.clackamas.edu/music-events](http://www.clackamas.edu/music-events).

#### ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING CENTER

Star Party ..... Aug. 30  
[www.clackamas.edu/elc](http://www.clackamas.edu/elc)

Haggart Observatory public viewings:  
Aug. 30 ..... 8:30 p.m.  
Sept. 6 ..... 9:30 p.m.  
[www.clackamas.edu/haggart-observatory](http://www.clackamas.edu/haggart-observatory)

#### ATHLETICS

For upcoming athletic events, visit [clackamascougars.com](http://clackamascougars.com).

#### ART EVENTS

For upcoming art events, visit [www.clackamas.edu/art-galleries](http://www.clackamas.edu/art-galleries).



## Why choose CCC? A student's perspective

Clackamas Community College is more than just a school — it's the start of a brighter future. Discover how CCC helped one student grow, in their own words:

*"Clackamas Community College gave me the perfect jumping-off point to start my adult life. It provided a solid foundation where I could explore my interests, develop critical skills and prepare for the next steps in my education journey. CCC's supportive environment and dedicated faculty helped me build the confidence and academic habits I needed to succeed."*




**Ready to take the leap?**  
Register now for fall term. Classes begin Sept. 29.

# Lacing up for a good cause

On June 16, Clackamas Community College President Dr. Tim Cook laced up his running shoes and set out on a journey — running 1,500 miles across Oregon, connecting all 17 of the state’s community colleges.

An avid marathoner, his goal was to run to each community college, averaging 32 miles per day. The campaign, Running for Oregon Community College Students (ROCCS), aims to raise awareness about the challenges faced by students and advocate for increased state funding to support their basic needs.

At Clackamas Community College, 38% of students reported food insecurity in a survey this spring. They also shared challenges with affording child care and transportation. At the state level, a study from The Hope Center reported:

■ **Food insecurity:**

Approximately 41% of students reported experiencing food insecurity.

■ **Housing insecurity:**

About 52% of students faced housing insecurity, which includes difficulties such as affording rent, utilities or the need to move frequently.

■ **Homelessness:** Nearly 20% of students experienced homelessness, indicating a lack of stable and safe housing.

President Cook started his run at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore. From there he worked his way across eastern and central Oregon, then south to Klamath Falls, up the Willamette Valley, over to the coast up to Astoria, down through the Portland metro



area and finishing in Hood River.

“Some have questioned why I’m doing this run and why I would subject myself to this, but our students deserve to be able to afford college and be able to pay for rent, child care, groceries and transportation,” President Cook said. “If this run helps raise awareness and funding for basic needs, it will be worth every blister.”

*The funds raised during*

*the ROCCS campaign will be distributed to each community college, directly supporting students’ essential needs. To donate or learn more about the run, scan the QR code above or visit [run4orccstudents.org](http://run4orccstudents.org).*

ROCCS is supported by Rivermark Credit Union, Johnson RV, Daimler Truck North America, The Ford Family Foundation, Jim Laden and Rep. Rob Nosse, and the CCC Foundation.

## PRESIDENT’S CORNER



**This summer, I set out on a journey — running 1,500 miles across Oregon, connecting**

**all 17 of our state’s community colleges.**

The Running for Oregon Community College Students campaign has been my way of shining a light on something we cannot ignore: student basic needs.

At Clackamas Community College, 38% of our students reported food insecurity this year. Too often our students have to choose between buying groceries or textbooks. They also shared challenges with affording child care and transportation.

In just a few days, if all has gone according to plan, I should be finishing my final miles and celebrating by jumping into the Columbia River in Hood River.

As I near the end of my run, I have carried the stories of our students with every step. But this isn’t just my journey. It’s ours. I invite you to be part of it by advocating for basic needs funding, supporting our food pantries, or simply offering encouragement to the students in your life. And, there is still time to donate directly to the campaign at [run4orccstudents.org](http://run4orccstudents.org).

Together, we are building a community where everyone has the opportunity to thrive.

*Tim S. Cook*

**Dr. Tim Cook**  
CCC President

## COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Please register directly through the Community Education partner hosting the class you would like to attend.

### Back this fall by popular demand!

**The Northstar Basic Computer Skills courses are returning to the Clackamas Community College Harmony campus this fall!** Community Education is excited to bring back this popular offering, along with a brand-new class designed to help learners take the next step in their digital literacy knowledge.

Internet Basics is a beginner-level course for those who want to build confidence and use the internet more effectively. Topics include how to connect to the internet, navigate websites and internet privacy. It’s a great next step for anyone who has completed the Basic Computer Skills course or

wants to improve their digital confidence. Curriculum is taught over nine weeks through interactive lessons.

Basic Computer Skills will be available in both English and Spanish, with Internet Basics offered in English.

Registration is expected to open in August and will be available through the Clackamas Community College online registration system.

All classes will be held at the Harmony campus.

For more information before registration opens, contact Community Education at 503-594-6705 or [communityeducation@clackamas.edu](mailto:communityeducation@clackamas.edu).

#### GLADSTONE

Gladstone Community School  
503-650-2570  
[www.clackamas.edu/gladstone](http://www.clackamas.edu/gladstone)

#### CANBY

Bridging Cultures | 503-592-3781  
[www.bridgingculturescanby.org](http://www.bridgingculturescanby.org)

#### WILSONVILLE

West Linn/Wilsonville Family Empowerment Center  
503-673-7690  
[www.wlww.k12.or.us/domain/3726](http://www.wlww.k12.or.us/domain/3726)

Wilsonville Parks and Recreation  
503-783-PLAY  
[www.wilsonvilleparksandrec.com/parksrec](http://www.wilsonvilleparksandrec.com/parksrec)

#### WEST LINN

West Linn Parks and Recreation  
503-557-4700  
[westlinnoregon.gov/parksrec](http://westlinnoregon.gov/parksrec)

#### MILWAUKIE

Milwaukie Community Center  
503-794-8092 | [www.ncprd.com](http://www.ncprd.com)

North Clackamas Parks and Recreation  
503-794-8080, ext. 0 | [www.ncprd.com](http://www.ncprd.com)

#### OREGON CITY

Oregon City Community Education  
503-785-8520  
[ocsd62occe.org](http://ocsd62occe.org)

Oregon City Swimming Pool  
503-657-8273  
[www.orcity.org/904/Aquatics](http://www.orcity.org/904/Aquatics)

Pioneer Community Center  
503-657-8287  
[www.orcity.org/499/Pioneer-Community-Center](http://www.orcity.org/499/Pioneer-Community-Center)

#### TEAM OREGON

Motorcycle/Scooter Safety Training  
800-545-9944 | [team-oregon.org](http://team-oregon.org)

# EXPLORE IRELAND with CCC Study Abroad



**Ready for an unforgettable adventure? Clackamas Community College invites students and community members to experience the rich history, breathtaking landscapes and vibrant culture of Ireland through a study abroad opportunity.**

From medieval castles to coastal cliffs, this 13-day journey Dec. 6-19, goes far beyond the classroom. You'll earn college credit while exploring Ireland through daily excursions and cultural experiences.

Each day includes a short lecture, followed by hands-on learning field trips – whether you're walking the streets of historic towns, enjoying local music or taking in countryside views. Evening events deepen your cultural understanding, making this a well-rounded and immersive experience.

#### Trip highlights include

- Trinity College and the Book of Kells
- Derry City and The Museum of Free Derry
- Catsby Cave and Hill of Tara

- Belleek Pottery factory tour
- Boyle Abbey and Donegal Castle
- Janus Head and Holy Well
- The vibrant cities of Dublin, Bundoran, Sligo and Donegal
- Yeats Country and the history-rich Bogside area of Northern Ireland

**The cost is \$3,300** and includes round-trip airfare, accommodations, most meals, in-country transportation, excursions and the study abroad program fee. (CCC tuition is not included.)

You'll stay at the cozy Atlantic Apartotel in Bundoran in shared apartments with a kitchen, living/dining area, bathroom and free Wi-Fi. Stores, restaurants, a pharmacy and ATMs are just a short walk away. Some nights may include hotel stays.

For more information, visit [www.clackamas.edu/study-abroad](http://www.clackamas.edu/study-abroad) or attend an informational meeting Aug. 14, 6-7 p.m., on Zoom at <https://clackamas.zoom.us/j/96270366277>.



*Les de Asis*

**MAKERSPACE**

ESTABLISHED 2020

## From brainstorm to bandsaw: Bring your projects to life at the CCC makerspace!



Do you have a creative project in mind, but just need the tools, the space or maybe some guidance to turn it into reality? Come check out the Clackamas Community College Les de Asis

Makerspace on the Oregon City campus. The CCC makerspace is the first of its kind in Clackamas County, a welcoming

workshop for the whole community. Create prototypes, models and masterpieces – or roll up your sleeves for some DIY repairs. Makerspace projects can include everything from building cabinets, constructing an Adirondack chair, restoring an antique fixture, engraving a keepsake and so much more!

After proper training, participants have the ability to use makerspace equipment ranging from basic woodworking machinery and 3-D

printing to CNC milling, to plasma and laser cutters. The lab includes woodworking and construction, traditional metalworking and sheet metal, a welding and cutting station, digital manufacturing, electronics and sewing.

Drop into the makerspace on Friday evenings to learn how to use the equipment. Bring a project, or even just an idea and get the help and tools you need to get started and make it happen.

Holden Industrial Technology Center, Oregon City Campus • 19600 Molalla Ave., Oregon City • Hours: Fridays, 5-9 p.m.

For more info, scan the QR code or visit [www.clackamas.edu/makerspace](http://www.clackamas.edu/makerspace)