

# Registration open for Holyoke Community College summer, fall classes

Registration is now open for both summer and fall 2020 classes at Holyoke Community College, offering an affordable option for college students who may be stuck at home now and unsure of their academic plans for September.

Summer courses at HCC begin June 1 and are offered in two four-week sessions and one seven-week session, fully online.

Summer Session I classes run from June 1 to June 25 or July 1; Summer Session II classes from July 6 to July 30 or Aug. 5. Full-term summer session classes begin June 1 and end July 15-17.

"This summer, HCC is offering as dynamic a schedule of courses as ever," said Rachel Rubinstein, the college's vice president of academic and student affairs. "The only difference is that, because of health and safety concerns related to Covid-19, all of our summer classes will be offered online this year, with very few exceptions."

Those exceptions are limited to hands-on culinary arts courses in food preparation and service planned for Summer Session II. They are still scheduled to meet at the HCC MGM Culinary Arts Institute on Race Street in Holyoke, but those courses may need to be adjusted, depending on lingering concerns over the coronavirus.

HCC's summer 2020 program includes nearly 100 credit classes in accounting, American Sign Language, anthropology, art, biology, business,



Spring weather has arrived at HCC, which means it's time to register for summer classes.

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chemistry, communications, criminal justice, culinary arts, earth science, economics, education, engineering, English, environmental science, forensic science, general studies, gerontology, health, health information management, history, human services, humanities, law, management, marketing, math, music, nursing, nutrition, philosophy, political science, psychology, SEM (science, engineering and math), social science, sociology, Spanish, and sustainability studies.

For summer, HCC is offering one-credit courses in subjects such as

professional etiquette, business ethics, and money management, three-credit general education classes in English composition and college math, as well as very popular courses in accounting and psychology, four-credit lab science

courses in biology, chemistry, sustainability studies and much much more, Rubinstein said.

Registration is also open for the fall 2020 semester. At this point, HCC is planning to offer fall courses on campus if current restrictions are lifted and conditions allow, while also making contingency plans to offer instruction remotely, if necessary.

"While we hope to resume face-to-face instruction in the fall, we have to have flexible teaching plans in place," Rubinstein said. "We don't want students to fall behind in their academic plans. If they have to stay home, they can still earn credits toward a certificate or degree here online. That applies to HCC students, as well as students attending other colleges who don't want to interrupt their studies and may be looking for other options closer to their home communities."

Chromebooks and wi-fi hotspots are available for loan from the HCC Library for students who need them.

For more information, visit [hcc.edu/summer](http://hcc.edu/summer) or [hcc.edu/admission](http://hcc.edu/admission) or call 413-552-2321.

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