

ABOUT LORAIN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Lorain County Community College serves the greater Lorain County region by providing the educational and workforce training needed to help our residents and community thrive.

Founded in 1963, the impact of LCCC is embedded in the fabric of our community. Since its founding, LCCC has served 50 percent of Lorain County households, and more than 46,000 individuals have earned a degree.

Building on this legacy, LCCC continues to expand opportunity through its THRIVE 2035 Strategic Plan, a bold vision centered on increasing access, accelerating completion and strengthening the regional workforce for long-term community prosperity.

Lorain County Community College values its role in creating a vibrant community where all individuals are able to unlock social mobility through educational experiences. LCCC fulfills this vision by fostering a culture of care where all individuals' lived experiences are viewed as assets to our campus and community. LCCC uses this understanding to remove barriers, ensure access to resources, and fosters engagement within campus and community. By facilitating connections and using student-centered approaches, LCCC empowers all individuals to thrive, achieve personal success, and prosper.

The College provides the opportunity for students to complete:

- Bachelor's degrees
- Associate degrees
- One-year certificates
- Short-term certificates
- Certificates of completion
- Workforce training

Through LCCC's University Partnership, students can earn a bachelor's or master's degree from Ohio universities and colleges. LCCC is also proud to deliver applied bachelor's degrees in microelectronic manufacturing and smart industrial automated systems engineering technology.

LCCC works hard to keep the cost of education low. In fact, over 80% of our students receive some form of financial aid in the form of grants and scholarships. Dual enrollment programs help high school students begin their college education at no cost to the student and their families. Over 50% of Lorain County public high school students graduate with credit from LCCC.

LCCC supports students in entering the workforce in rewarding careers, transferring for advanced degrees, and in many cases, students may complete both at the same time. LCCC's general education courses are guaranteed to transfer to Ohio public institutions, and academic programs are designed for seamless transfer into LCCC's University Partnership. LCCC partners with more than 800 local employers to ensure the skills learned in the classroom prepare students for their careers. With more than 170 industry-recognized credentials, LCCC offers the certifications and career preparation that helps individuals stand out to employers. Keeping the pulse on regional workforce demand leads to more than 90% of LCCC graduates finding high opportunity careers right here in Northeast Ohio.

Student success is our top priority. With customized academic advising and wraparound support services, LCCC can help students overcome personal, academic, and other barriers and achieve their goals.

About Our Students

LCCC is a dynamic, student-centered college intentionally designed to support individuals with balancing multiple roles on their path to college completion. Eighty-five percent of LCCC students work while attending college, with the majority working at least half-time. The average age of LCCC's students is 24, and many bring life experiences that include caring for dependents, serving in the military, or completing some prior college. Over 80% of LCCC students receive financial assistance through grants and scholarships, and LCCC has been nationally recognized for holistic, fully integrated services and commitment to student success.

A Career by Design:

LCCC students can expect a highly supportive and intentionally designed experience as it relates to career planning. LCCC's vision for students' career development is that:

- All students have a career support system, such as a mentor or learning community of peers.
- All students know what is considered a livable wage in our community and how their chosen pathway will get them there.
- All students become familiar with the areas of high opportunity in the region.
- All students see themselves as transfer students, despite their unique timelines for ongoing educational attainment.
- All students can make informed academic and career path decisions.

Guided by LCCC's core mission and values, Career by Design refers to a college-wide focus on supporting individual and family needs related to career and employment. LCCC's academic advising model, work-based learning opportunities, engaged and dedicated faculty, the University Partnership, strong employer connections, and the College's deep awareness of the regional labor market and economic landscape are critical ingredients in LCCC's high-quality student academic and career planning experience.

At LCCC, students' experience will be supported by outreach, advising, and career planning teams with direct and unique knowledge of the regional talent needs and gaps. Over 70 student service team members have received specialized economic and workforce development training within Northeast Ohio. They are equipped to facilitate transparent and supportive planning discussions with the students. Look for the "Career by Design" badge to spot an individual who can help answer questions about the world of work.

Completion Plan

As a public institution of higher education in Ohio, LCCC submits a Completion Plan to the Ohio Department of Higher Education every two years. Completion Plans are designed to chart a course for the Ohio public colleges' student success and completion goals. They include an update on the institutions' ongoing or previous work and initiatives. LCCC's most recent Completion Plan (http://catalog.lorainccc.edu/about/Completion_Plan_2024-2026_Lorain_County_Community_College.pdf), approved by its District Board of Trustees, highlights its key focus areas, supported by THRIVE 2035.