GRADUATION HONORS

Students who meet the following academic objectives will be recognized at the college's commencement ceremony and an appropriate designation will appear on their transcripts and diplomas.

High Honors

Students shall be recognized with high honors for attaining a cumulative grade point average of **3.90 or greater** for college-level coursework completed from IECC through the term prior to graduation.

Honors

Students shall be recognized with honors for attaining a cumulative grade point average of **3.50 to 3.89** for college-level coursework completed from IECC through the term prior to graduation.

TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS

Current and former IECC students may obtain both unofficial and official transcripts of their education records by following the instructions below.

Unofficial Transcripts

There's no charge for unofficial transcripts obtained via a link in a student's Entrata account. Standard charges apply for unofficial transcripts obtained through the Student Records Office. These transcripts will be identified as "Unofficial Transcript". Be advised that most colleges and universities accept only official transcripts submitted to the receiving institution by the college issuing the transcript.

Official Transcripts

There are 2 options for requesting official transcripts:

- Online at the National Student Clearinghouse. IECC has partnered with the National Student Clearinghouse to process transcripts online. A link from a student's Entrata account provides access to the site where there are easy-to-follow directions to aid in placing the order. A major credit or debit card is necessary.
- In person in the Student Records Office at the college.
 A completed transcript request form, photo ID, and payment of the fee are required prior to release of the transcript.

IECC reserves the right to withhold official transcripts from students who have an outstanding debt owed to IECC; requests for transcripts will be processed once a hold has been resolved. One exception to this policy is the processing of official transcripts for a student's current or potential employer.

For more information or to request a transcript, visit www.iecc.edu/transcript.

CAREER AGREEMENTS

IECC participates in a state-wide cooperative agreement to maximize Career and Technical Education opportunities for Illinois students. Under the terms of the Comprehensive Agreement Regarding the Expansion of Educational Resources (CAREER) agreement, students may enroll in an eligible CTE certificate or degree program at a community college outside of their home district and pay the in-district tuition rate. The agreement is authorized by the student's home district who will ensure the desired curriculum is not available in-district.

Out-of-District Students: Students residing outside IECC District 529 who want to enroll in an Associate in Applied Science Degree or a certificate not available from their own community college should contact their local college at least 30 days prior to the semester for which they'd like to enroll.

In-District Students: Students residing inside IECC District 529 who want to enroll in an Associate in Applied Science Degree or certificate not offered at IECC should contact their advisor to begin the process.

ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS

IECC has several Articulation Agreements with other institutions to better serve our students with a smooth transfer, to minimize duplication of instruction, and to build on learning experiences. For a complete list, visit: www.iecc.edu/articulation.

FRANKLIN UNIVERSITY ALLIANCE

Franklin University offers a 3 + 1 Transfer Program to IECC students. A student can take the first three years at Frontier, Lincoln Trail, Olney Central or Wabash Valley at the lower tuition rate; transfer the maximum amount of credits; and finish the 4th year at Franklin online, on campus or a combination of both, earning a bachelor's degree from a university accredited by an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. For more information, visit www.iecc.edu/franklin.

PERSISTENCE AND DEGREE COMPLETION

Illinois Eastern Community Colleges recognizes the diverse needs of students for educational opportunities for lifelong learning. It is the goal of IECC to assist students and support statewide initiatives for the completion of educational goals. IECC has developed and employed strategies for improving persistence and degree completion that are appropriate for IECC's mission and students served. (See Appendix D)