

Community College *of* Philadelphia

KEY FACTS

Student Body

Enrollment (2007-2008) academic year:

- Approximately 34,854 students taking credit and noncredit courses.
- Approximately 14,841 full-time equivalent students.
- Approximately 26,212 students enrolled in credit courses.

Student Characteristics

- The majority (53%) are 25 or older and the median age is 26.
- There are more women (67%) than men.
- There are diverse groups of students:

African-American	51.3%
White	27.3%
Asian/Pacific Islander	8.8%
Spanish/Hispanic	12.1%
Native American	0.5%
- Approximately 73% are minority students.
- More than half (59%) are enrolled in transfer or liberal arts programs; 16% enrolled in career programs; 25% enrolled in noncredit, continuing education coursework.

Faculty and Staff

- 409 full-time faculty
- 674 part-time faculty
- 482 administrative and support staff

Academic Offerings

- More than 70 career and transfer programs in Business, Humanities, Allied Health, Science and Technology and the Social and Behavioral Sciences.
- Day, evening and weekend classes for full-time and part-time students. Credit and noncredit courses at the Main Campus, three Regional Centers and more than 20 neighborhood and corporate locations.
- Distance Education courses.
- Customized courses for business and industry.
- Comprehensive academic support services and programs, services for students with disabilities and other support services available.

Degrees Granted

Associate in Arts (A.A.)
Associate in Science (A.S.)
Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.)

Mission

Community College of Philadelphia is an open admission, associate degree-granting institution, which provides access to higher education for all that may benefit. Its programs of study in the liberal arts and sciences, career technologies and basic academic skills provide a coherent foundation for college transfer, employment and lifelong learning. The College serves Philadelphia by preparing its students to be informed and concerned citizens, to be active participants in the cultural life of the city, and to be able to meet the changing needs of business, industry and the professions. To help address broad economic, cultural and political concerns in the city and beyond, the College draws together students from a wide range of ages and backgrounds and seeks to provide the programs and support they need to achieve their goals.

Community College of Philadelphia seeks to create a caring environment that is intellectually and culturally dynamic and encourages all students to achieve.

Accreditation

- Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools
- Department of Education, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- Council of Higher Education

Specific program accreditation information is available.

2008-2009 Budget

\$127.2 Million
(\$113.3 operating; \$13.9 capital)

Financial Aid

Approximately 70% of full-time students and 59.6% of all students receive some type of financial aid.

Funding

Operating costs are shared among the students, city and the Commonwealth. Capital costs are funded by the city and the Commonwealth.

Educational Impact

We are the largest institution of higher education in Philadelphia and the sixth largest in Pennsylvania. The College has served more than 596,739 individuals since it began operation.

Over half (79%) of graduates in transfer programs continue on to four-year institutions.

The College is ranked #4 nationally in the number of associate's degrees awarded to African-American students (U.S. Department of Education).

Economic Impact

- \$ 68,333,470 annual payroll (2008)
- \$ 2,722,024 in wage tax (2008)
- \$ 42,970,000 in expenditures for goods and services (2007-2008)
- \$ 78,355,200 in federal and state revenues (2007-2008)
- The College receives \$3.05 of federal and state revenues for every dollar of city revenue it receives
- 77.5% of recent College graduates who were working at a job eight months after graduating from the College were employed in the city

Locations

- Main Campus
1700 Spring Garden Street
- Northeast Regional Center
12901 Townsend Road
- West Philadelphia Regional Center
4725 Chestnut Street
- Northwest Regional Center
1300 West Godfrey Avenue
- More than 20 neighborhood and corporate locations citywide

President

Stephen M. Curtis

Governance

15-member board of trustees, appointed by the Mayor.

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Historical Highlights

Founded in 1964, the College opened for classes in 1965 in a former department store at 34 S. 11th Street while a permanent campus was being sought. In 1971 the College acquired from the federal government the building at 1700 Spring Garden Street that had housed the third Philadelphia Mint and eventually would become the centerpiece of its permanent campus.

Even with renovations of the Mint underway, we began holding classes there in 1973. The College maintained both the 11th Street and 17th Street campuses until the spring of 1983 when all of our Main Campus facilities, including the West and Bonnell buildings, were built and consolidated into the permanent campus at 17th Street.

The Winnet Student Life/Instruction Building and Gymnasium, 17th and Buttonwood Streets, were completed and formally dedicated in September 1991.

The current West Regional Center opened in 1992, the Northeast Center in 1994 and the Northwest Center in 1999.

Groundbreaking for the Center for Business and Industry took place in November 2001, and the building was completed in January 2003.

National Recognition

Winner of the Charles Kennedy Equity Award for leadership in assuring opportunities for minorities and women

National League of Nursing Center of Excellence in Nursing Education

Eastern Technology Council Education Program of the Year (Biomedical Technician Training program)

Bellwether Award finalist for our Ford Maintenance and Light Repair program

Bellwether Award finalist for our Leadership Institute

Recruiting New Teachers recognition for teacher education initiatives

NAFSA Association of International Educators Report on Campus Internationalization recognition as a model community college

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