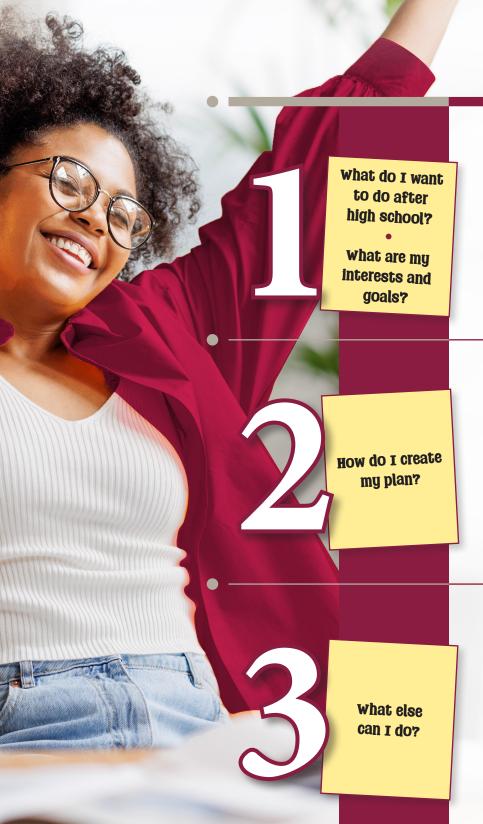
# Passion to Profession

Your Pathway to the Future

**College and Career Readiness** 





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#### **AWARENESS**

- Login and complete MaiaLearning Interest Profiler
- Determine a <u>career pathway</u> of interest
- Review D211 course options



#### **EXPLORATION**

- Meet with your school counselor
- Develop your <u>4-Year Course Plan</u>
- Explore requirements for <u>Dual Credit</u> and Advanced Placement course options
- Attend D211 College Planning and Financial Aid events

#### **EXPERIENCE**

- Request elective courses aligned to your career pathway, personal interests and goals
- Participate in career field trips, guest speaker panels and career fairs
- Join Career and Technical Education Student Clubs and Activities

# Pace Yourself: Turning Passion into Profession



The **PaCE**, or **Post-Secondary and Career Expectations**, framework allows each student to have a <u>4-Year Course Plan</u>. This helps them explore their passions, align their classes with career goals, and understand their options for life after high school – enrollment in college, enlistment in the military, or employment in a career. Students and their families should also learn about financial aid to make informed decisions together.

#### BY THE END OF 9TH GRADE

Complete the Interest Profiler in MaiaLearning, review results and ♥ at least 2 careers to add to your list

Take the Personality Assessment in **MaiaLearning** to better understand how your traits align with career options

Explore a career pathway and build a <u>4-Year Course Plan</u> with classes that match your interests and goals

Meet with your school counselor to begin to create your plans for high school and beyond - whether that means enrollment, enlistment or employment

Learn what's required to take **<u>Dual Credit</u>** and Advanced Placement (AP) courses that can give you a headstart on your future

Explore financial aid options–like the <u>Harper Promise</u>
<u>Scholarship</u>–and the earning potential of different careers

#### BY THE END OF 11TH GRADE

Use **MaiaLearning** search tools to explore college and careers that match your interests

Check the Events page in **MaiaLearning** and meet with college representatives who visit your high school to explore your options

Attend College Planning Night for Juniors with your family

Meet with your counselor/teachers to review your readiness for college-level Math and English

Attend the D211 College Night at Palatine HS and explore over 175 colleges and universities

Visit post-high school options—like colleges, training programs, or military reps—and add your top choices to your "Considering" list in <u>MaiaLearning</u>

Apply for jobs or internships to gain experience in your career pathway

#### BY THE END OF 10TH GRADE

Complete the character surveys in <u>MaiaLearning</u>, revisit your Interest Profiler and Personality Assessment to see how your results have changed

Update your **MaiaLearning** Portfolio to include your Post-Secondary Goal

Request early college credit courses, like **Dual Credit** and Advanced Placement (AP), offered at your high school

Attend the D211 College Night at Palatine HS and explore over 175 colleges and universities

Explore part-time jobs, internships, and/or volunteer work related to your career interests

#### BY THE END OF 12TH GRADE

Attend college application sessions for support with completing and submitting applications

 $\label{thm:completion} \textbf{Join a Financial Aid Night and FAFSA Completion Workshop with your family}$ 

Complete the <u>FAFSA</u>, <u>Alternative Application for Illinois Financial</u>
<u>Aid</u>, <u>or the Non-Participation Form</u> – whichever fits your situation – to meet the state graduation requirement

Search and apply for scholarships that align with your goals and interests Review your placement in Math and English to confirm you're ready for college-level coursework

Check how your **Dual Credit** and AP courses transfer to the colleges or programs you're considering

Attend the **Senior Job Fair** if you are planning on entering the workforce after graduation

Complete the Senior Exit Survey and mark your final college choice as 'Accepted - Attending' in **MaiaLearning** to send your final transcript

#### **Explore all Four Years**

Create and maintain your <u>4-Year Course Plan</u> and update <u>MaiaLearning</u> as your plans change

Get involved in at least two extracurricular activities and/or athletic programs

Get involved in community service opportunities to build experiences

Build relationships with trusted adults at school

Attend college exploration events, including D211 College Night, First Generation College Workshop and Directions Fair (IEP/504 students)

Seek out career exploration experiences: attend guest speaker sessions, register for career site visits, and explore career fairs through the Career Advisor





### Your Personal 4-Year Course Plan















**D211 Graduation** 









GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12	Requirements* (Community College requirements are met)	4-Year College/University Recommendation
English	English	English	English/	4 Years	4 Years
Math	Math	Math	Elective Course	3 Years including a 300-Level Math Course	3 – 4 Years
Biology	Science	Elective Course	Elective Course	2 Years	3 – 4 Years
Elective Course	Elective Course	US History	Civics	2 Years including US History and Civics	3 – 4 Years
Elective Course	Elective Course	Elective Course	Elective Course	Must include a minimum of 1 Year of: ☐ World Language <b>OR</b>	*World Language –
Elective Course	Elective Course	Elective Course	Elective Course	☐ Career & Technical Education <b>0R</b> ☐ Fine Arts	2 Years
Freshman Wellness	Sophomore Wellness	Wellness	Wellness		v the D211 Curriculum
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Gradua	for a full description of ation Requirements and e Descriptions.
Summer School	Summer School	Summer School	Summer School	https://adc.d211.or	g/curriculum-guide

- ▶ Please discuss course options that are best aligned for you with your school counselor, teachers and parent/guardian.
  - Core Courses: As part of graduation requirements, courses in core areas (English, Math, Science and Social Studies) can support your interests.
  - Elective Courses: Explore courses that align to your personal interests, hobbies and/or career aspirations.

# Don't Forget!

#### **Additional Graduation Requirements**

Must include both  Consumer Education  Driver Education (private or at school)	Include a minimum of 1 year  *World Language OR  Career & Technical Education OR  (Applied Technology, OR Business, OR Family and Consumer Sciences Course)  Fine Arts (Art & Media OR Music)	Must complete  State Testing (Junior Year)  Constitution Test (completed during Senior year Social Studies Course)  FAFSA Completion (Senior Year)  At least 20 units of credit
*World language may be recommended or required by collegation Fine Arts courses. Check with a counselor for details.	ges/universities in Illinois. State-supported universities in Illin	nois may accept Career and Technical Education or



# **Più** Find Your Pathway

Figuring out what you enjoy can lead you to a career you'll love!



#### What are Pathways and Clusters?

In Illinois, there are 7 career pathways that are connected to 16 national career clusters. These pathways and clusters group together jobs that share similar skills and interests.

To see which career pathway fits you best, complete the Interest Profiler in MaiaLearning (found in the Character section) to see a list of matching careers.

District 211 offers many courses in each of the pathways to help you explore more. Taking classes that match your interests can help you make decisions about your future and get ready for life after high school.

The following pages suggest D211 courses to explore that align to pathways/clusters



# Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources



#### **ILLINOIS CAREER PATHWAY**



#### **NATIONAL CAREER CLUSTERS**



#### **Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources**

View all course descriptions and prerequisite requirements in the



#### **PATHWAY ADDITIONS**

#### **Additional Courses to Consider**

English writing & communication. Math courses and electives should be reviewed with your teachers/counselors to align best with your interests. Some classes may have prerequisite requirements.

World Languages

Certifications: Seal of Biliteracy

#### **Clubs and Activities**

- Business Professionals of America (BPA)
- · Culinary Arts Club
- Environmental/Ecology Club
- · Future Career & Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)
- Health Occupations Student Association (HOSA)
- Horticulture Club
- Outdoor Adventure Club
- Science Club

#### PATHWAY CAREER COURSE OPTIONS

#### **Agribusiness Systems**

Certifications: QuickBooks, Microsoft Office Specialist, Entrepreneurship and Small Business Management

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Course	Department
Business Explorations Business with Personal Finance* Technology Applications* Business Management* Business Law Accounting Financial*/Managerial QuickBooks* Business Incubator* (Entrepreneurship)	Business
Environmental Studies*	Science

#### **Food Products and Processing Systems**

Certifications: Illinois Food Handlers Certificate, ServSafe® Manager's Certification

Course	Department
	Family & Consumer Sciences
Chemistry <sup>▲</sup>	Science

#### **Environmental Service Systems Power, Structural and Technical Systems**

Course	Department
Biology** Geography* Earth Science Chemistry* Environmental Studies* Physics*	Science
Engine & Power Technology Electronic Technology* Automotive Technology* Principles of Engineering Bioengineering & Environmental Sustainability	Applied Technology

\*Dual Credit | \*Advanced Placement

#### **PATHWAY CAREER OPTIONS**

#### ► Certificates/Associates Degree

Agricultural Equipment Operators Agricultural Inspectors Agricultural Managers Agricultural Product Graders & Sorters **Animal Breeders Animal Trainers** 

**Butchers and Meat Cutters** Chemical Technicians **Commercial Divers** 

Continuous Mining Machine Operators Conveyor Operators and Tenders Earth Drillers

**Explosives Workers** 

Farm Equipment Mechanics and Service Technicians

Farm Labor Contractors Farm, Ranch, and Aquaculture Animal Farmworkers

Farmworkers Fishing and Hunting Workers Floral Designers Food Batchmakers

Food Cooking Machine Operators and

Forest and Conservation Technicians

Gas Compressor and Gas Pumping Station Operators Gas Plant Operators Geothermal Production Managers Geothermal Technicians Hazardous Materials Removal Workers Helners for Extraction Workers Industrial Production Managers Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers

Log Graders and Scalers Logging Equipment Operators Machine Operators and Tenders for Roasting, Baking, and Drying Food and Tobacco

Meat, Poultry, and Fish Cutters & Trimmers

Mining Excavating Machine and **Dragline Operators** 

Mining Loading and Moving Machine Operators

Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics Nonfarm Animal Caretakers Oil and Gas Derrick Operators Oil and Gas Rotary Drill Operators Oil and Gas Roustabouts Oil, Gas, and Mining Service Unit

Operators

Pest Control Workers Pesticide Handlers, Sprayers, & Applicators

Petroleum Pump System Operators, Refinery Operators, and Gaugers Pump Operators Quarry Rock Splitters

Recycling and Reclamation Workers **Recycling Coordinators** Refuse and Recyclable Material

Collectors Roof Bolters

Slaughterers and Meat Packers Supervisors of Construction Trades and **Extraction Workers** 

Supervisors of Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Workers

Supervisors of Landscaping, Lawn Service, and Groundskeeping Workers

Tank Car, Truck, and Ship Loaders Tree Trimmers and Pruners Veterinary Assistants and Laboratory **Animal Caretakers** 

Veterinary Technologists and Technicians

Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant and System Operators Wellhead Pumpers

Wholesale and Manufacturing Sales Representatives for Technical and Scientific Products

Wind Energy Operations Managers ► Bachelor's Degree or Higher

Agricultural Technicians **Animal Scientists Biofuels Production Managers** Biomass Power Plant Managers Brownfield Redevelopment Specialists and Site Managers

Conservation Scientists **Environmental Compliance Inspectors Environmental Engineering Technicians Environmental Engineers Environmental Science Technicians Environmental Scientists and Specialists** Farm and Home Management Educator Farm Product Buyers and Purchasing

Agents Fish and Game Wardens Food Scientists and Technologists Forest and Conservation Workers Foresters Geological Technicians

Hydrologic Technicians Natural Sciences Managers Occupational Health and Safety

Technicians Park Naturalists Precision Agriculture Technicians Range Managers Soil and Plant Scientists Veterinarians Wind Energy Development Managers Zoologists and Wildlife Biologists



To learn more about pathway career options, complete the Interest Profiler

in MaiaLearning.

### **Arts and Communications**

#### **ILLINOIS CAREER PATHWAY**





Arts (Performing and Visual), Audio/Video Technology



View all course descriptions and prerequisite requirements in the



#### **PATHWAY ADDITIONS**

#### **Additional Courses to Consider**

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#### Mathematics

Intro to Computer Programming & Software Design

#### Social Studies

Psychology \* **Multicultural Perspective** World Affairs

#### World Languages

**Certifications:** Seal of Biliteracy

#### **Clubs and Activities**

- 3D Club
- AV Club
- Art Club
- · Broadcasting Club
- Business Professionals of America (BPA)
- Dance Club/Orchesis
- · Debate Team
- · Digital Media Club
- Fashion Club
- · Future Career & Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)
- Music Instructment Clubs
- · Literary Magazine
- Newspaper Club
- · Plays, Musical, Variety Theatre Performances
- · Photography Club
- Speech Team
- Thespians/Drama Club
- Yearbook

#### **PATHWAY CAREER COURSE OPTIONS**

Design for Industry		
Course	Department	
Painting, Drawing, & Printmaking Art in Contemporary Society* 3D Art: Clay, Sculpture & Design 1&2* Art History*	Art & Media	
Architecture Design PLTW Engineering Design	Applied Technology	
Design Studio* Housing/Interior Design Fashion Construction*	Family & Consumer Sciences	

Digital and Visual Communication		
Course	Department	
Intro to Digital Media Art Graphic Design & Digital Illustration* Photo & Video Animation & Game Design 1&2 Photography Broadcasting Production Studio Digital Media Art Studio AP 2D, 3D & Drawing*	Art & Media	
Technology Applications* Topics in Marketing Social Media for Business	Business	

Written Communication		
Course	Department	
Journalistic Writing Creative Composition English Composition* English Language and Literature Rhetoric for Professional Pathways	English	
Social Media for Business	Business	

Performing Arts: Acting, Dance & Music			
Course	Department		
Band Orchestra Chorus Mariachi Music Performance Special Topics Music Production Fine & Performing Arts Music Appreciation Music Theory Music Independent Study	Music		
Dramatics Rhetoric of Cinema Speech*	English		
Dance Yoga	Wellness		

#### **PATHWAY CAREER OPTIONS**

#### **Arts and Communications**

#### ► Certificates/Associates Degree

Actors Audio and Video Technicians **Broadcast Technicians** Camera and Photographic Equipment Repairers Costume Attendants Craft Artists Dancers Data Entry Keyers **Desktop Publishers** 

Installers and Repairers Etchers and Engravers Sound Engineering Technicians **Fashion Designers** Switchboard Operators Floral Designers Technical Writers Lighting Technicians Telecommunications Engineering Specialists

Painters, Sculptors, Illustrators, and Telecommunications Equipment Other Fine Artists Installers and Repairers Painting, Coating, and Decorating Telecommunications Line Installers and

**Processing Machine Operators** 

Prepress Technicians and Workers

Proofreaders and Copy Markers

**Printing Press Operators** 

Print Binding and Finishing Workers

Radio, Cellular, and Tower Equipment

Workers Repairers Telephone Operators **Photographers** Photographic Process Workers and Television, Video, and Motion Picture

Camera Operators Theatrical & Performance Makeup Artists

Writers and Authors

► Bachelor's Degree or Higher Agents and Business Managers of

Artists, Performers, and Athletes Archivists

Art Directors Choreographers Commercial and Industrial Designers

Editors Film and Video Editors **Graphic Designers** Interior Designers Media Programming Directors Museum Technicians and Conservators Music Directors and Composers Musicians and Singers Poets, Lyricists and Creative Writers Producers and Directors Radio and Television Announcers Reporters and Journalists Set and Exhibit Designers

Special Effects Artists and Animators

Technical Directors and Managers

Talent Directors



To learn more about pathway career options, complete the Interest Profiler in MaiaLearning.

### **Finance and Business Services**

#### **ILLINOIS CAREER PATHWAY**



#### **NATIONAL CAREER CLUSTERS**



#### **Business Management and Administration**



**Hospitality and Tourism** 



Marketing



**Finance** 



View all course descriptions and prerequisite requirements in the



#### **PATHWAY ADDITIONS**

#### **Additional Courses to Consider**

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#### Social Studies

Multicultural Perspective World Affairs Psychology

#### World Languages

**Certifications:** Seal of Biliteracy

#### **Clubs and Activities**

- · Business Professionals of America (BPA)
- · Culinary Club
- Debate Team
- · Digital Media Club
- Finance and Investing Club
- · Foreign Exchange Club
- Future Career & Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)
- · Fashion Club
- Speech Team

#### **PATHWAY CAREER COURSE OPTIONS**

#### **Business Management and Administration**

Certifications: Microsoft Office Specialist, Entrepreneurship and Small Business Management

and Small Business Management	
Course	Department
Business Explorations Business with Personal Finance <sup>*</sup> Technology Applications* Business Management* Business Law Business Management* Business Incubator* (Entrepreneurship)	Business

Hospitality and Tourism		
Certifications: Illinois Food Handlers Certificate, ServSafe® Manager's Certification (CFPM)		
Course	Department	
Culinary Arts* Practices in Entrepreneurship* Food & Nutrition Science*	Family & Consumer Sciences	
Social Media for Business	Business	

\*Dual Credit | \*Advanced Placement

Marketing			
Course	Department		
Topics in Marketing Social Media for Business	Business		
Intro to Digital Media Art Graphic Design and Digital Illustration* Photo and Video	Art & Media		
Design Studio* Housing/Interior Design	Family & Consumer Science		

Finance		
Certification: QuickBooks		
Course	Department	
Accounting I Financial* Finance & Investing Quickbooks* Account II Managerial	Business	
Economics <sup>▲</sup>	Social Studies	

#### **PATHWAY CAREER OPTIONS**

### Business Management and Administration Certificates/Associates Degree

#### Accountants and Auditors

Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks General and Operations Managers

Office Clerks
Receptionists and Information Clerks

Secretaries and Administrative
Assistants

Spa Managers

Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers Transportation and Storage Managers

#### ► Bachelor's Degree or Higher

Agents and Business Managers of Artists, Performers, and Athletes Business Intelligence Analysts Compliance Managers Computer and Information Systems Managers Construction Managers Financial and Investment Analysts Financial Examiners Fundraising Managers Human Resources Specialists Management Analysts Market Research Analysts and

Marketing Specialists Marketing Managers Medical and Health Services Managers Operations Research Analysts Public Relations Managers Regulatory Affairs Managers Social and Community Service

Managers Sustainability Specialists Training and Development Managers Training and Development Specialists Treasurers and Controllers

#### Finance

#### ► Certificates/Associates Degree

Auto Damage Insurance Appraisers Bill and Account Collectors Credit Counselors Insurance Sales Agents

#### Bachelor's Degree or Higher

Actuaries Financial and Investment Analysts Financial Examiners Financial Managers Financial Risk Specialists Financial Sales Agents Investment Fund Managers Personal Financial Advisors Treasurers and Controllers

#### **Hospitality and Tourism**

#### ► Certificates/Associates Degree

Animal Trainers
Athletes and Sports Competitors
Bakers

Chefs and Head Cooks Concierges

Dining Room and Cafeteria Attendants

and Bartender Helpers Entertainment Managers Fast Food Cooks

Food Service Managers
Gaming Dealers
Janitors and Cleaners

Meeting, Convention, and Event Planners Motion Picture Projectionists

Restaurant Cooks Supervisors of Food Preparation and

Serving Workers Supervisors of Gaming Workers Tour Guides and Escorts Travel Agents Travel Guides

Umpires, Referees, and Other Sports
Officials

Ushers, Lobby Attendants, and Ticket Takers

Waiters and Waitresses

#### ► Bachelor's Degree or Higher

Curators Interpreters and Translators Lodging Managers Museum Technicians and Conservators Recreation Workers

#### Marketing

#### ► Certificates/Associates Degree

Cashiers
Customer Service Representatives
Driver/Sales Workers
Meeting, Convention, and Event
Planners
Online Merchants
Retail Salespersons
Search Marketing Strategists
Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers
Wholesale and Manufacturing Sales
Representatives

#### ► Bachelor's Degree or Higher

Market Research Analysts and Marketing Specialists Marketing Managers Property, Real Estate, and Community Association Managers Public Relations Specialists Sales Managers Sales Representatives of Services



To learn more about pathway career options,

complete the Interest Profiler in *MaiaLearning*.

Add your favorites ♥ to your career list!

Financial Managers

## Health Sciences and Technology

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#### **ILLINOIS CAREER PATHWAY**



#### **NATIONAL CAREER CLUSTERS**



Health Sciences



View all course descriptions and prerequisite requirements in the



#### **PATHWAY ADDITIONS**

#### **Additional Courses to Consider**

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World Languages

**Certifications:** Seal of Biliteracy

#### **Clubs and Activities**

- Academic Challenge Club
- CAD Club
- Debate Team
- Healthcare Club
- · Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA)
- Psychology Club
- Science Club
- Science Olympiad
- Speech Team

#### **PATHWAY CAREER COURSE OPTIONS**

neatur Sciences			
Certifications: CPR & AED Certification, Basic Life Training, Certified Nursing Assistant			
Course Department			
Biology** Chemistry* Physics* Advanced Topics in Science Anatomy & Physiology* Medical Terminology* Certified Nursing Assistant* Forensic Science	Science & Related Courses		
Bioengineering and Environmental Sustainability	Applied Technology		
Child Development	Family & Consumer Sciences		
Psychology <sup>▲</sup> MultiCultural Perspective	Social Studies		

\*Dual Credit | \*Advanced Placement

#### **PATHWAY CAREER OPTIONS**

#### **Health Services**

#### Certificates/Associates Degree Acute Care Nurses

Cardiovascular Technologists and Technicians **Dental Assistants Dental Hygienists** 

**Dental Laboratory Technicians** Diagnostic Medical Sonographers Dietetic Technicians

Dispensing Opticians Health Information Technologists and

Medical Registrars Home Health Aides Licensed Practical and Licensed

Vocational Nurses Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Technologists

Massage Therapists Medical Assistants

Medical Equipment Preparers Medical Records Specialists

Medical Secretaries

Occupational Therapy Aides Occupational Therapy Assistants Ophthalmic Medical Technicians Orderlies Patient Representatives Pharmacy Aides Pharmacy Technicians Phlebotomists Physical Therapist Aides Physical Therapist Assistants **Radiation Therapists** Radiologic Technologists Receptionists and Information Clerks Respiratory Therapists Surgical Assistants Surgical Technologists Veterinary Assistants and Laboratory **Animal Caretakers** Veterinary Technologists and **Technicians** 

Neurodiagnostic Technologists

**Nuclear Medicine Technologists** 

Nursing Assistants

#### Bachelor's Degree or Higher Advanced Practice Psychiatric Nurses

Anesthesiologist Assistants Art Theranists Audiologists **Biomedical Engineers** Biostatisticians Chiropractors Clinical and Counseling Psychologists Clinical Data Managers Clinical Nurse Specialists Critical Care Nurses **Epidemiologists Exercise Physiologists** Genetic Counselors Health Informatics Specialists **Hearing Aid Specialists** Medical and Health Services Managers Medical Scientists

Social Workers Nurse Anesthetists Nurse Midwives Nurse Practitioners Occupational Therapists Optometrists Orthotists and Prosthetists **Physical Therapists** Physician Assistants Psychiatric Technicians Psychiatrists Registered Nurses Speech-Language Pathologists Veterinarians

Vision Therapists and Orientation and

Mobility Specialists

Mental Health and Substance Abuse



To learn more about pathway career options, complete the Interest Profiler in MaiaLearning.

### **Human and Public Services**

#### **ILLINOIS CAREER PATHWAY**



#### **NATIONAL CAREER CLUSTERS**



**Education and Training** 



**Government and Public Administration** 



**Human Services** 



취 Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security



View all course descriptions and prerequisite requirements in the



#### **PATHWAY ADDITIONS**

#### **Additional Courses to Consider**

English writing & communication, Math courses and electives should be reviewed with your teachers/counselors to align best with your interests. Some classes may have prerequisite requirements.

- Science **Environmental Studies**
- Social Studies Multicultural Perspective
- World Languages

Certifications: Seal of Biliteracy

#### **Clubs and Activities**

- · Business Professionals of America (BPA)
- Debate Team
- Educators Rising Club
- Foreign Exchange Club
- · Future Career & Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)
- Health Occupations Student Association (HOSA)
- LEAD Club
- Speech Team

#### PATHWAY CAREER COURSE OPTIONS

Education and Training Human Services		
Certifications: ECE Level 1 Gateway Certification		
Course	Department	
Child Development Early Childhood Education Intro to Education* Advanced Early Child Education* Elementary Education Internship Secondary Education Internship	Family & Consumer Sciences	
Speech*	English	
Psychology <b>^</b>	Social Studies	
Sign Language*	Harper College Campus	
Cosmetology*	Technical College of DuPage Campus	

\*Dual Credit | \*Advanced Placement

Government and Public Administration Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security		
Course	Department	
World History <sup>▲</sup> World Affairs Law & the Individual Economics & Government <sup>▲</sup>	Social Studies	
Business Law Business Management* Accounting Financial*/Managerial	Business	
Network Administration & Cybersecurity	Applied Technology	
Introduction to Criminal Justice* Corrections/Forensics* Introduction to Fire Science* Fire Behavior and Combustion*	Harper College Campus	

#### **PATHWAY CAREER OPTIONS**

#### **Education and Training**

#### Certificates/Associates Degree

**Education Administrators for Preschool** and Childcare Programs Library Assistants

Postsecondary Vocational Education Teachers

Preschool Teachers

Teaching Assistants

#### ► Bachelor's Degree or Higher Archivists

Athletic Trainers Clinical and Counseling Psychologists Coaches and Scouts Curators

**Education Administrators for** Elementary and Secondary Schools

Educational, Guidance, and Vocational Counselors

**Elementary School Teachers** Fitness and Wellness Coordinators Interpreters and Translators Middle School Teachers

School Psychologists Secondary School Teachers

#### **Government and Public** Administration

#### ► Certificates/Associates Degree

Accountants and Auditors Administrative Services Managers Construction and Building Inspectors **Detectives and Criminal Investigators** Government Program Eligibility Interviewers

Postal Service Clerks Tax Preparers

#### ► Bachelor's Degree or Higher

Administrative Law Judges, Adjudicators, and Hearing Officers

**Economists** Financial Examiners

Political Scientists Social and Community Service

Managers Statisticians Urban and Regional Planners

#### **Human Services**

#### Certificates/Associates Degree

Childcare Workers Crematory Operators Fitness Trainers and Aerobics Instructors

#### Funeral Attendants Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and

Cosmetologists Health Educators

Laundry and Dry-Cleaning Workers Locker Room, Coatroom, and Dressing Room Attendants

Manicurists and Pedicurists Massage Therapists

Morticians, Undertakers, and Funeral Directors

Nannies Personal Care Aides Preschool Teachers

Residential Advisors Shampooers

Skincare Specialists Supervisors of Entertainment and Recreation Workers Supervisors of Personal Service

Workers Bachelor's Degree or Higher

Child, Family, and School Social Workers Clinical and Counseling Psychologists Community Health Workers Healthcare Social Workers

Marriage and Family Therapists Mental Health and Substance Abuse Social Workers Mental Health Counselors

Postsecondary Psychology Teachers Rehabilitation Counselors Social and Community Service Managers

Social and Human Service Assistants Social Science Research Assistants Substance Abuse and Behavioral **Disorder Counselors** 

#### Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security

#### ► Certificates/Associates Degree

Crossing Guards Forensic Science Technicians Forest Fire Inspectors and Prevention Specialists

Gaming Surveillance Officers and Gaming Investigators

Lifequards, Ski Patrol, and Other Recreational Protective Service Workers

Paralegals and Legal Assistants Security Guards

#### ► Bachelor's Degree or Higher **Business Continuity Planners**

Child, Family, and School Social Workers Lawyers

Loss Prevention Managers Security Management Specialists Security Managers



To learn more about pathway career options,

complete the Interest Profiler in MaiaLearning.

# **Information Technology**

#### **ILLINOIS CAREER PATHWAY**



#### **NATIONAL CAREER CLUSTERS**





View all course descriptions and prerequisite requirements in the



#### **PATHWAY ADDITIONS**

#### **Additional Courses to Consider**

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- Science Environmental Studies
- Social Studies Multicultural Perspective
- World Languages

**Certifications:** Seal of Biliteracy

#### **Club and Activities**

- Art Club
- Broadcast Club
- Business Professionals of America (BPA)
- CAD Club
- · Computer Club
- Coding Club
- · Digital Media Club
- Electronic Club
- Engineering Club
- ESport
- · Society of Women Engineers
- Speech Team
- Robotics Club

#### **PATHWAY CAREER COURSE OPTIONS**

Network and Systems		
Certifications: A+ Certification, Net+ Certification		
Course	Department	
IT Fundamentals* Network Administration* and Cybersecurity Electronics Technology 1* & 2 PLTW Digital Electronics*	Applied Technology	

Software and App Development		
Course	Department	
Intro to Computer Programming and Software Design AP Computer Science Principles AP Computer Science A Mobile App Development Independent Computer Science	Mathematics	

Web and Digital Communication		
Certifications: Microsoft Office Specialist		
Course	Department	
Intro to Digital Media Art Graphic Design and Digital Illustration* 1 & 2 Video Game Design and Interactive Media Video & Animation 2: Visual FX and Production Broadcast Media Production Studio	Art & Media	
Technology Applications* Social Media for Business	Business	
Intro to Computer Programming and Software Design	Mathematics	

\*Dual Credit | \*Advanced Placement

#### **PATHWAY CAREER OPTIONS**

#### Information Technology

► Certificates/Associates Degree Computer User Support Specialists Web and Digital Interface Designers Web Developers

#### ► Bachelor's Degree or Higher

Blockchain Engineers
Computer and Information Scientists
Computer and Information Systems
Managers

Computer Hardware Engineers Computer Network Architects Computer Network Support Specialists Computer Programmers Computer Systems Analysts Computer Systems Engineers/

Architects
Data Scientists
Data Warehousing Specialis

Data Warehousing Specialists
Database Administrators

Digital Forensics Analysts
Document Management Specialists
Information Security Analysts
Information Security Engineers
Information Technology Project
Managers
Network and Computer Systems
Administrators
Penetration Testers
Software Developers
Software Developers
Video Game Designers
Web Administrators

**Database Architects** 



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### METT (Manufacturing, Engineering, Technology, and Trades)

#### **ILLINOIS CAREER PATHWAY**



#### **NATIONAL CAREER CLUSTERS**



**Architecture and Construction** 



Manufacturing



STEM/Energy (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math)



**Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics** 



View all course descriptions and prerequisite requirements in the



#### **PATHWAY ADDITIONS**

#### **Additional Courses to Consider**

English writing & communication, Math courses and electives should be reviewed with your teachers/counselors to align best with your interests. Some classes may have prerequisite requirements.

- Social Studies
   World Geography
   Human Geography
- World Languages
   Certifications: Seal of Biliteracy

#### **Clubs and Activities**

- Art Club
- Autos Club
- CAD Club
- Coding Club
- Computer Club
- Electronics ClubEngineering Club
- Robotics Club
- Science Club
- Science Olympiad
- Society of Women Engineers
- · Speech Team
- Woodworking Technology Club

#### PATHWAY CAREER COURSE OPTIONS

Architecture and Construction			
	Course	Department	
	3D Art, Clay, Sculpture and Design	Art & Media	
cture	Architecture Design PLTW Civil Engineering & Architecture	Applied Technology	
Architecture	Design Studio* Housing/Interior Design	Family & Consumer Sciences	
Construction	Manufacturing Technology Engine & Power Technology Electronics Technology Woodworking Technology Geometry in Construction Building Construction* Welding & Metal Fabrication*	Applied Technology	
	HVAC Refrigeration Fundamentals* HVAC Heating Principles*	Harper College Campus	

#### Manufacturing

Certifications: Haas CNC Machine Certification Program, National Institute of Metalworking Skills (NIMS)

Course	Department
Manufacturing Technology Engine & Power Technology Advanced Manufacturing Technology* Computer Aided Manufacturing* Welding & Metal Fabrication*	Applied Technology

\*Dual Credit | \*Advanced Placement

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Ī		Course	Department
	Engineering	Engine & Power Technology Electronics Technology Introduction to Engineering Design Principles of Engineering Digital Electronics* Civil Engineering & Architecture Bioengineering & Environmental Sustainability Computer Aided Manufacturing	Applied Technology
	Science & Technology	Biology** Chemistry* Physics* Environmental Studies Advanced Topics in Science	Science
	Science	Introduction to Computer Programming AP Computer Science Principles <sup>4</sup> AP Computer Science A <sup>4</sup>	Mathematics

#### **Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics**

**Certifications:** Automotive Service Excellence (ASE)

Continuations: Automotive Convict Executation (ACE)				
	Course	Department		
Mechanics	Manufacturing Technology Engine & Power Technology Automotive Technology Welding & Metal Fabrication*	Applied Technology		
Supply Chain	Business Explorations Technology Applications* Business Management* Accounting Financial* & Managerial	Business		

#### PATHWAY CAREER OPTIONS (See your MaiaLearning results as there are 400+ careers in METT.)

#### **Architecture and Construction**

► Certificates/Associates Degree Carpenters

Cement Masons/Finishers
Construction Inspectors & Laborers
Helpers for Electricians
Highway Maintenance Workers
Home Appliance Repairers
HVAC Mechanics and Installers
Landscaping and Groundskeeping
Maintenance and Repair Workers
Plumbers, Pipefitters, and Steamfitters
Roofers

Security/Fire Alarm Systems Installers Solar Energy Installation Managers Supervisors of Construction Trades Wind Turbine Service Technicians

► Bachelor's Degree or Higher Architects

Architectural and Civil Drafters
Architectural and Engineering Mgrs.
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Commercial and Industrial Designers Construction Managers Interior Designers

#### Manufacturing

Welders

Certificates/Associates Degree

CNC Programmers
Industrial Machinery Mechanics
Machinery Maintenance Workers
Maintenance and Repair Workers
Medical Equipment Repairers
Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics
Molders, Shapers and Casters
Quality Control Analysts
Telecommunications Equipment
Installers and Repairers

► Bachelor's Degree or Higher
Health and Safety Engineers
Industrial & Manufacturing Engineers
Occupational Health & Safety Specialists
Quality Control Systems Managers

#### STEM

► Certificates/Associates Degree Civil Engineering Technicians

Electrical & Electronic Engineering Technicians Electrical and Electronics Drafters

Electrical and Electronics Drafters Electro-Mechanical Technicians Food Science Technicians Industrial Engineering Technicians

► Bachelor's Degree or Higher Architectural and Engineering Mgrs.

Biochemists & Biophysicists & Biologists Biomedical Engineers & Biostatisticians Chemical Engineers & Chemists Civil Engineers Computer and Information Scientists Computer Hardware Engineers Electrical Engineers Environmental Engineers Epidemiologists & GIS Technicians

Industrial Engineers

Logistics Engineers
Mechanical Engineers
Medical Scientists
Microbiologists
Petroleum Engineers
Physicists
Social Science Research Assistants
Statisticians

#### Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics

Validation Engineers

Certificates/Associates Degree
Aircraft Cargo Handling Supervisors
Auto Srvc. Technicians and Mechanics
Cargo & Freight Agents
Flight Attendants

Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers Laborers & Freight, Stock, & Material Movers

Light Truck Drivers Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics Recreational Vehicle Service Techs Transportation and Storage Managers

► Bachelor's Degree or Higher Airfield Operations Specialists Logisticians and Logistics Analyst

Logisticians and Logistics Analysts Supply Chain Managers Transportation Planners



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