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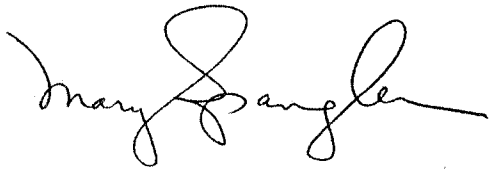
Welcome to HCC

Mary S. Spangler, Ed.D.
Chancellor

Houston Community College is committed to helping all students who enter our doors pursue their fullest potential. Whether you choose to transfer to a four-year university or decide to enter the workforce, a degree or certificate from HCC will provide you with the knowledge and skills to compete in today's technological and global economy. Our vision is to become the nation's most relevant community college because we provide unlimited opportunity to the communities and students we serve. To us, that means our faculty and staff are here to help each student obtain the knowledge and skills essential for success. We believe that what is good for you is also good for our community and the region. My personal commitment is to make your educational experience at HCC meaningful and rewarding. We are determined to serve our community by being the best, most affordable, highest quality institution in the region we can be. Congratulations on choosing Houston Community College and taking the next step in your educational journey with us.

Welcome to Houston Community College!
Mary Spangler



HCC Mission, Vision, and Values

Mission

Houston Community College is an open-admission, public institution of higher education offering a high-quality, affordable education for academic advancement, workforce training, career development, and lifelong learning to prepare individuals in our diverse communities for life and work in a global and technological society.

Values

- Freedom - The essence of education is the cultivation of an open environment that promotes a rigorous, untiring life-long pursuit and expression of truth, and free exchange of ideas.
- Accountability - A responsible individual is committed to doing one's duty and taking the right actions.
- Community-Mindedness - The bonds of our community are care, open communication, cooperation, and shared governance.
- Integrity - Personal and community well being demands a commitment to honesty, mutual respect, fairness, and empathy in all situations. It means doing the right thing at all times.
- Excellence - Our will and spirit is to achieve the best in teaching, learning, community building, and stewardship.

Vision

Houston Community College will be the most **relevant** community college in the country. We will be the **opportunity** institution for every student we serve – **essential** to our community's success.

Goals

Our goals are those things that we must execute at a consistently high level to accomplish our vision. Our goals are associated with:

- Effective Leadership
- Student Success
- Resource Development and Enhancement
- Global Perspective
- Effective Communication
- Accountability and Strategic Decision-Making

Board approved, September 2007

Accreditation

The Houston Community College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award the associate degree.

Persons interested in reviewing the official accreditation documents may do so by contacting the Office of Institutional Research located at 3100 Main, phone number 713.718.8625. To review individual program accreditation, approval, and licensing documents, the department chairperson's office for the particular program may be contacted. (See catalog or class schedule for telephone numbers.)

Approvals

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board has approved college/university parallel offerings and programs in technical education.

The Texas Workforce Commission has approved programs for veteran education benefits.

Senior colleges and universities in Texas and surrounding regional states accept credits earned at Houston Community College System.

Regulations Policy

The regulations and provisions in this Catalog are based upon present conditions and are subject to changes necessitated by College or legislative actions. The provisions of this Catalog are subject to change without notice and do not constitute an irrevocable contract, expressed or implied, between any applicant, student, or faculty member and HCC. The College reserves the right to cancel classes when necessary.

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History of HCC

The Houston Community College District (HCCD) was created under the governance of the Houston Independent School District (HISD) as the result of a public referendum on May 18, 1971. In August of that year, more than 5,700 students enrolled in workforce education courses held at the Houston Technical Institute. In the following semester, academic transfer classes were added and taught at six HISD locations.

By 1977, HCC had an enrollment of more than 24,000 students and had earned full accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). As a result of state legislation, HISD voted in 1984 to dedicate a specific portion of its property tax levy to the College for facilities, equipment and operating expenses. In 1989, HCC established its own Board of Trustees also in 1989, the Stafford Municipal School District was annexed. By 2000, the HCC enrollment have reached more than 50,000 students.

State legislation in 1995 designated the "service area" of HCC to include the Houston, Alief, Katy, Spring Branch and North Forest school districts as well as the Stafford Municipal School District. HCC also serves the Fort Bend Independent School District.

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Academic Calendars

Please see hccs.edu for the most current academic calendar

2009 – 2010

Fall 2009 - RT (16 wks)

Classes begin ..... August 22
Finals ..... December 7-13
Classes end ..... December 13
Holiday break..... December 21 - Jan 1

Fall 2009 - SS (12 wks)

Classes begin ..... September 19
Finals ..... December 7-13
Classes end ..... December 13

Fall 2009 - Mini Term (4 wks)

Classes begin ..... December 14
(classes meet M-F, Holiday on Fri 12/25)
Classes end ..... January 6

Spring 2010 - RT (16 wks)

Classes begin ..... January 19
Finals ..... May 10-16
Classes end ..... May 16
Spring Break ..... March 15-21

Spring 2010 - SS (12 wks)

Classes begin ..... February 13
Finals ..... May 10-16
Classes end ..... May 16

Spring 2010 - Mini Term (3 wks)

Classes begin ..... May 17
Classes end ..... June 4
(classes meet M-F, Holiday on Monday 5/31)

Summer 2010 - 1st 5 wks

Classes begin ..... June 7
Finals ..... July 7-8
Semester ends ..... July 11
(Holiday on July 5)

Summer 2010 - 2nd 5 wks

Classes begin ..... July 12
Finals ..... August 11-12
Semester ends ..... August 15

Summer 2010 - 10 week

Classes begin ..... June 7
Finals ..... August 9 - 15
Semester ends ..... August 15
(Holiday on July 5)

2010-2011

Fall 2010 - RT (16 wks)

Classes begin ..... August 28
Finals ..... December 13-19
Classes end ..... December 19
Holiday break..... December 20-31

Fall 2010 - SS (12 wks)

Classes begin September-25
Finals ..... December 13-19
Classes end ..... December 19

Fall 2010 - Mini Term (4 wks)

Classes begin..... December 20
(classes meet M-F)
Classes end ..... January 10

Spring 2011 - RT (16 wks)

Classes begin ..... January 18
Finals ..... May 9-15
Classes end ..... May 15
Spring Break ..... March 14-20

Spring 2011 - SS (12 wks)

Classes begin ..... February 12
Finals ..... May 9-15
Classes end ..... May 15

Spring 2011 - Mini Term (3 wks)

Classes begin ..... May 16
Classes end ..... June 3
(classes meet M-F, Holiday on Monday 5/31)

Summer 2011– 1st 5 wks

Classes begin ..... June 6
Finals ..... July 6-7
Semester ends ..... July 10
Holiday on July 4)

Summer 2011 – 2nd 5 wks

Classes begin ..... July 11
Finals ..... August 10-11
Semester ends ..... August 14

Summer 2011 – 10 week

Classes begin ..... June 6
Finals ..... August 8-14
Semester ends ..... August 14
(Holiday on July 4)

Instructional Locations

Central

Americana Building

811 Dallas.....713.718.5303

Corporate Training & Continuing Education

Open: 8:00 a.m.- 9:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday
8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Friday
8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Saturday

Central Campus

1300 Holman 77004.....713.718.6000

Open: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Friday
9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m., Saturday

South Campus

1990 Airport Blvd. 77051.....713.718.6634

Open: 8:00 a.m. -10:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday
Closed Friday; 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Saturday

Coleman College for Health Sciences

Health Science Center

1900 Pressler Drive 77030.....713.718.7373

Open: 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday
7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Friday
7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Northeast

Automotive Technology Training Center

4638 Airline 77022.....713.718.8100

Open: 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Monday-Friday

Northeast Campus

555 Community College Dr. 77013.....713.718.8300

Open: 8:00 a.m.- 8:30 p.m., Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday

Northline Campus

8001 Fulton 77022.....713.718.8000

Open: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday

Pinemont Center

1265 Pinemont 77018.....713.718.8400

Open: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday

Northwest

Spring Branch Campus

1010 W. Sam Houston Pkwy N. 77043.....713.718.5700

Open: 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday
7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Friday;
8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Saturday

Katy Campus

1550 Foxlake Drive 77084.....713.718.5757

Open: 7:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday
7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Friday;
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Saturday

Southeast

Southeast Campus

6815 Rustic 77087.....713.718.7000/7100

Open: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Sunday

Eastside Annex

2524 Garland,77087.....713.718.7000/71000

Open: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Saturday
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Sunday

Southwest

Alief Campus

2811 Hayes Rd., 77082-2642.....713.718.6870

Open: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Friday

Alief Continuing Education Center

13803 Bissonnet, 77083-5916.....713.718.5450

Open: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Friday

Gulfton Center

5407 Gulfton 77081.....713.718.7760

Open: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Friday

Instructional Locations

Missouri City Campus

5855 Sienna Springs Way 77459.....713.718.2900

Open: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Friday, Saturday and Sunday

Stafford Campus

9910 Cash Rd., Stafford 77477.....713.718.7800

Open: 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday

West Loop Center

5601 West Loop South 77081.....713.718.7930

Open: 7:00 a.m. - 10;00 p.m., Monday-Friday
7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Saturday

Adult Education Program

For information about free ASE, ABE and ESL classes, call the HCC Literacy Hot line at 713.718.5400; Adult High School class offerings, call 713.718.7611.