

Reasons to Attend Prairie State College

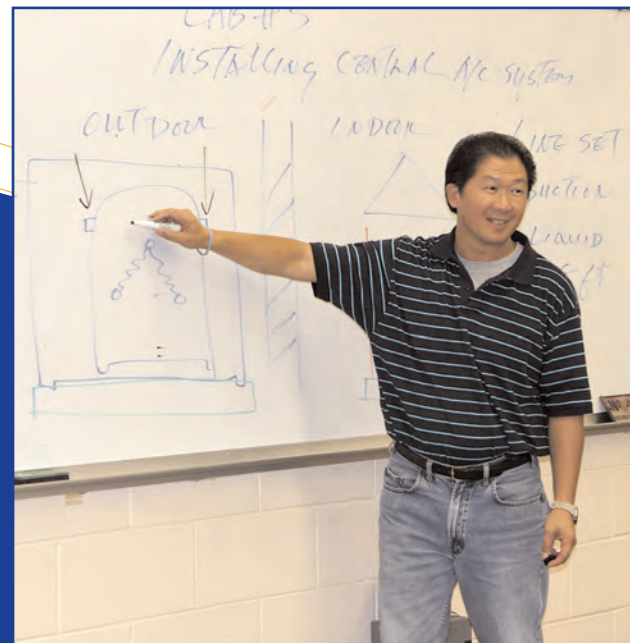
- Fully accredited
- Credits that transfer
- Small class sizes
- Great career programs
- Dedicated professors
- Convenient scheduling
- Free tutoring and open computer labs

Admissions

Prairie State College offers “open admission” that encourages diversity and admits all high school graduates or the equivalent.

Here’s how to start your college career at PSC:

- Provide a high school diploma or GED.
- Take the COMPASS Placement Test or submit a copy of ACT scores.
- Meet with an advisor from Counseling and Advising to select courses. For questions, contact an academic advisor at (708) 709-3506..



Financial Aid

Prairie State College’s tuition is affordable, and financial aid is available through a variety of sources. More than 50 percent of our students receive financial aid.

The first and most important step in applying for financial aid is filing a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). A FAFSA is required whether you receive federal or state financial aid, loans, grants, or scholarships.

Forms of financial assistance include:

- Pell Grant
- MAP Grant
- Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant
- Subsidized Stafford Student Loans
- PLUS Loans
- Work Study
- Scholarships
- Veterans Benefits

PSC Financial Aid Opportunities:

- PSC Board of Trustees Scholarships cover tuition and fees for two years.
- The PSC Foundation awards more than \$75,000 in scholarships annually to students who are not fully funded through any other source. Find out more at prairiestate.edu, go to choose a link, and click on scholarships.

For more information about how to obtain financial aid, call (708) 709-3562 or e-mail Alice Garcia at agarcia@prairiestate.edu.

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The Program

The Prairie State College (PSC) Heating Ventilation Air Conditioning/Refrigeration (HVAC/R) program qualifies students as entry-level air conditioning, refrigeration, and heating technicians. Students learn the basic knowledge and skills needed to diagnose electrical and mechanical problems and how to make any needed repairs, replacements, or installation of new equipment. This program is designed for new students who wish to learn the trade or practicing technicians who wish to upgrade their technical skills.

Degrees & Certificates

- Heating Ventilation Air Conditioning/ Refrigeration—Certificate

Career Opportunities

According to the U.S. Department of Labor Statistics, employment of heating, air-conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and installers is projected to increase nine percent through 2016. Concern for the environment has prompted the development of new energy-saving heating and air-conditioning systems. Technicians who specialize in installation work may experience periods of unemployment when the level of new construction activity declines, but maintenance and repair work remains stable. People and businesses depend on climate-control and refrigeration systems and must keep them in good working order, regardless of economic conditions.



About the Curriculum

This program prepares students for entry-level positions in the heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration industries. These positions cross many business levels, including jobs with service companies, factories, hospitals, schools, and other institutions. PSC's fully equipped classrooms and labs provide a hands-on environment for the high-quality training employers look for in potential employees. Classes are conveniently scheduled with evening courses available.

To view the curriculum for this program, visit prairiestate.edu/worksheetmain.html.



For More Information

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