

Applying and Acceptance

Edison State Community College (ESCC) is committed to providing learning opportunities, support services, and commitment that enable students to complete their educational goals and realize their dreams.

To provide broad access to college, Edison State has an open-admission policy for Ohio residents, United States citizens, and non-citizens with permanent resident status. Admission is provided for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, sex, age, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, pregnancy, or military or Veteran status.

Undergraduate acceptance to ESCC requires an application to be submitted online through the [Admissions Portal](#). High school completion or equivalent information is collected at the time of applying and is utilized as a method of self-certification.

Some degree, certificate, and special programs have prerequisite requirements or capacity limits that require students to follow a selective admission process to establish program acceptance. Information on selective admission programs can be found in the Academic Catalog.

Please contact a Career Pathways Advisor or Enrollment Manager to review the Academic Catalog and learn more.

Validity Review

Upon receipt of an acceptable form of high school completion, the Office of Registration and Record confirms it is valid. If there is reason to believe the diploma is inauthentic or granted by an ineligible institution, further review may be necessary. Typically, validity is determined by confirming the high school's accreditation status with the agency that has jurisdiction over the high school. If unable to validate through the accrediting agency and/or if additional information is needed, the Office of Registration and Records performs due diligence with actions such as, contacting the high school for additional information or consulting with other post-secondary school leadership located in proximity to the high school in question.

Valid High School Diplomas

Students may receive federal financial aid if the high school diploma or equivalent is valid, and the student is otherwise eligible for the current and future periods of enrollment. Validity may be retroactive within the same academic year if the credential earned date corresponds to the applicable semester(s).

Invalid High School Diplomas

If a high school diploma or equivalent is determined to be invalid, or if validity can't be determined, the student is ineligible for federal student aid. All awarded federal aid will be denied until the requirements can be validated.

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