



## CONTACTS

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# COUNSELOR UPDATES

FALL 2020

## ADMISSIONS

### APPLY EARLY

No deadline. We encourage all students to apply as early as possible. EIU starts accepting applications 12 months in advance. Financial Aid cannot be packaged until the student is admitted. *Encourage your admitted students to attend their Orientation Day as soon as they can. We begin orientation/registration in March for the Fall and in October for the Spring.*

### MINIMUM TRANSFER ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

To be considered for admission one of the following must be met:

**1. 24+ Semester Hours of college level credit with 2.0/4.0**

Must have a 2.0/4.0 overall and from the last school attended  
**OR**

**2. If less than 24 with 2.0**

Must have a 2.0/4.0 overall and from the last school attended  
**AND**

Meet the following high school criteria:

**ACT 18 or SAT 960\* and (High School GPA of 2.5)**

*\*SAT 860 for exams taken prior to March 2016*

### COURSE SUBSTITUTION LISTS

Printable course substitution lists are available for all Illinois Community Colleges at [www.eiu.edu/transfer/coop\\_coursesub.php](http://www.eiu.edu/transfer/coop_coursesub.php). Additional equivalencies are available at [www.transferology.com](http://www.transferology.com).

### PANTHER PLEDGE PROGRAM

Guaranteed admission program for students who earn their baccalaureate-oriented associate degree with an overall 2.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale and 2.0 GPA from the last institution attended.

## POLICIES

### SENIOR INSTITUTION HOURS

Eliminated the Graduation Requirement of 42 hours from a senior-level institution. Residency hours for traditional degrees are 42 of EIU credit. Nursing and Organizational Development are 25 EIU hours. BGS degree is 20 EIU hours. 40 hours of upper-division coursework still required for bachelor's degree.

### CREDIT

Eastern accepts all college-level credit from any regionally accredited institution. Remedial, developmental or orientation courses are not accepted for admission or graduation hours. Courses taken from non-regionally accredited institutions may be reviewed on a course-by-course basis by academic department.

### "D" GRADE POLICY

Credit for courses in which a "D" was earned will transfer as long as the overall GPA from that institution is at least a "C" average. A "C" or better is required for English and speech.

### MILITARY CREDIT

Certain experiences in military service may be submitted to the Office of the Registrar for evaluation. Students should submit their DD214 and Military Transcripts.

### REPEAT POLICY

We will honor the repeat policy of the sending institution in awarding credit at EIU. For courses taken at EIU, the highest grade received for the course will be included in the computation of the cumulative GPA. The initial grade and the repeat grade will appear on the student's record.

### DUAL CREDIT

Students will receive credit for courses taken while still in high school, provided they completed these courses at or through a regionally-accredited college or university. *Dual credit is applied the same way as transfer credit taken after high school graduation.*

### STATE-WIDE AGREEMENTS

EIU is a full participant in the **Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI)**, **MyCreditsTransfer** (Transferology), and associate degree agreements. We will honor the old compact and all current associate degrees. Students completing any baccalaureate-oriented associate degree will be considered a junior with all lower-level general education requirements met. This includes out-of-state associate degrees, ASA, AFA, AES, and the new Illinois Associate in Science.

# ACADEMIC UPDATES

## GUARANTEED ADMISSION PROGRAM

[WWW.EIU.EDU/PANTHERPLEDGE](http://WWW.EIU.EDU/PANTHERPLEDGE)

The Panther Pledge offers community college students guaranteed admission to EIU.

### Benefits include:

- application fee waived
- pre-advising and assessments from an EIU transfer counselor
- opportunity to win a \$2000 scholarship if attend our Transfer Open House
- seamless and smooth transfer

### Requirements:

- complete Panther Pledge Form
- earn a baccalaureate-oriented associates degree
- have a GPA of a 2.0 on a 4.0 scale overall and from the last institution attended
- meet all EIU admission standards and procedures

## NEW MAJORS

### ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING BS (NEW MAJOR FALL 2020)

Lower-level curriculum available Fall 2020 for entering freshmen. Upper-level Engineering sequence scheduled to begin Fall 2022. Transfer students should follow suggested curriculum outlined in Transfer Handbook.

### MUSIC B.A. IN AUDIO AND RECORDING TECHNOLOGY (NEW CONCENTRATION FALL 2020)

Students work with professional music studios, software and equipment to learn from nationally recognized audio engineers and composers. Explores concepts in acoustics, music business and recording technology. Internship program places students in studios for real-world experiences.

### NURSING OPTIONS RN TO BS IN NURSING

Designed in an accelerated online format to meet the needs of working nurses, our relevant curriculum builds on experience and expands nursing knowledge with current values, theory and research to form an evidence-based, safe, holistic nursing practice. Must have the Registered Nursing License and prerequisite courses to be considered.

### NURSING B.S. (NEW MAJOR FALL 2020)

A complete 4-year Nursing Degree begins for entering freshmen Fall 2020. Consideration for acceptance requires completion or enrollment in the EIU Nursing prerequisites by March 1 of the year prior to beginning the Nursing sequence. Be aware that applications beyond the freshman year will result in extended time to completion.

### PRE-NURSING TRANSFER PREPARATION

The pre-nursing curriculum prepares students to transfer to accredited programs offering a baccalaureate degree in nursing (BSN) and the knowledge and preparation to pass the certification exam required to become a registered nurse (RN). Students can opt-in to an agreement with Lakeview College of Nursing where housing and access to EIU facilities and activities are made available to Lakeview students.

### PUBLIC HEALTH (DEPARTMENT NAME CHANGE)

Health Promotions (HPR) is now Public Health (PUBH). Articulated courses will be updated. Programs include:

- Health Administration B.S.
- Public Health: Community Health Option B.S.
- Public Health: Emergency Management & Disaster Preparedness Option B.S.
- Public Health Minor for Teacher Licensure

## NEW MINORS

### BIOCHEMISTRY MINOR (FALL 2020)

Attractive to students interested in understanding chemistry of living systems and biotechnology industry.

### EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION (FALL 2020)

Provides comprehensive view of the administration of early childhood care and education programs. Students will be eligible for the Family Specialist, Illinois Director, and Early Childhood credentials through Gateways to Opportunity.

### ENGLISH STUDIES (FALL 2020)

Offers students a broad background encompassing all areas of English and supports specialized interests.

### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT & SUSTAINABILITY (FALL 2020)

Flexible minor tailored to exploration of environmental and sustainability issues across several disciplines.

### PUBLIC HISTORY (FALL 2020)

Provides training that would prepare students for careers in public history or entrance into graduate programs.

### MUSIC TECHNOLOGY (FALL 2020)

Exploration in music technology, composition, audio and recording. Students will enjoy working with professional music studios, software, and equipment, and learn from nationally recognized audio engineers and composers.

## GRADUATE SCHOOL

### ACCELERATED GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Undergraduate students with 60 hours of credit and a 3.25 GPA can apply to an accelerated graduate program where they can start taking graduate coursework and count it for the undergraduate and graduate degree, saving time and money. The accelerated graduate programs include:

- Master of Arts in Aging Studies
- Master of Science in Chemistry
- Master of Arts in Communication Studies
- Master of Science in Cybersecurity
- Master of Arts in Economics
- Master of Arts in English
- Master of Science in Health Promotion and Leadership
- Master of Arts in History
- Master of Science in Human Services Program Administration
- Master of Arts in Political Science
- Professional Science Master's in Geographic Information Sciences
- Master of Science in Technology

Each graduate program has specific admission criteria and requirements. Contact the graduate coordinator of the program for detailed information.

**Contact the Graduate School with questions about Accelerated Graduate Programs at: [graduate@eiu.edu](mailto:graduate@eiu.edu) or 217-581-2220.**

# TEACHER EDUCATION

## ACCELERATED POST-BACCALAUREATE TEACHER LICENSURE PROGRAM (FALL 2020)

Candidates who have a bachelor's degree in a designated content area and have passed the state content area exam are eligible for admission. Candidates will take 31 semester hours over a summer, fall and spring semester. Content areas that will be offered include: Career and Technical Education (Business, Family & Consumer Sciences, Technology in grades 6-12), English (grades 6-12), History - Social Sciences (grades 9-12), Foreign Language (French, German, or Spanish in grades 9-12), Math (grades 9-12), Science (Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science or Physics in grades 9-12).



## TEACHER EDUCATION MEETING

Transfer students should apply to teacher education during first semester of attendance at EIU. Meetings are held with individual students on an ongoing basis. Check website for dates and information: [www.eiu.edu/coe/teached.php](http://www.eiu.edu/coe/teached.php).

## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Early Childhood requires three science areas: General Biology, General Chemistry or Physics course and an Earth Science course. ECE requires an Economics course. Macroeconomics or Microeconomics will satisfy this content area. ECE also requires an English Literature from the Humanities.

## NON-LICENSURE DEGREES

Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle Level and Special Education. Semester-long internship taken in place of Student Teaching.

## "GROW YOUR OWN" AND "RURAL TEACHER INITIATIVES"

The purpose is to develop a network of P-16 educators and community stakeholders to work together to address common issues. A major theme is to elevate teaching as a profession and provide support for current and future teachers. Implementation grant and programming geared towards addressing shortages. Brian Reid ([bdreid2@eiu.edu](mailto:bdreid2@eiu.edu)) are the contacts for effort. More information and application can be found at [www.eiu.edu/rsi/index.php](http://www.eiu.edu/rsi/index.php).

# CAMPUS UPDATES

## EIU STAYS IN TOP RANKINGS IN U.S.

**NEWS & WORLD REPORT** Eastern continues to be recognized as the #1 Illinois school in the U.S. News and World Report's annual college rankings of "Best Colleges". EIU is also ranked 5 in the Midwest's top public regional universities.



## PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR ROLL

Continuing to make the PTK Honor Roll in 2020, which identifies the top four-year colleges and universities creating dynamic pathways to support transfer students.

## SAFEST COLLEGE TOWN IN ILLINOIS

Safewise.com ranks Charleston, Illinois—

home of Eastern Illinois University—as one of the Top 25 Safest Cities in Illinois for 2020.

## EIU IN THE TOP 12 ONLINE COLLEGES IN U.S.

Intelligent.com ranked Eastern Illinois University in the Top 12 online institutions for 2020 in the United States. The rankings also included high marks for several of EIU's individual online programs.

## MONEY MAGAZINE 2020-2021 'BEST' RANKINGS

EIU Ranked #5 by *Money Magazine* for best value in Illinois.



## #1 PUBLIC COLLEGE IN ILLINOIS FOR GETTING A JOB IN

**2020** Zippia.com ranks EIU as the #1 public university in Illinois to be placed in a job after graduation.

## BUDGET INCREASES

EIU Operations budget for 2020 increased by 5 percent. Capital spending designated for renewal and deferred maintenance as well as funding for our new science building. Increases also in state-wide funding for MAP Grants and AIM HIGH programs.

# COST & SCHOLARSHIPS

## TRANSFER ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

**Tier 1:** \$2,500 divided between fall/spring semesters. Must have minimum 15 transferable hours and a 3.5-4.0 cumulative GPA. Renewable up to 4 consecutive semesters as long as a 3.0 GPA is maintained at EIU. Full-time enrollment (12 semester hours) at EIU is required. All majors are eligible.

**Tier 2:** \$1,500 divided between fall/spring semesters. Must have minimum 15 transferable hours and a 3.0-3.49 cumulative GPA. Renewable up to 4 consecutive semesters as long as a 2.75 GPA is maintained at EIU. Full-time enrollment (12 sem. hrs.) at EIU is required. All majors are eligible.

## AIM HIGH FOR TRANSFERS

EIU Merit Scholarship Bonus of \$500 per year for 2 years if AIM HIGH Grant and the above Transfer Academic Excellence criteria are met. Visit [eiu.edu/scholarships/merit.php](http://eiu.edu/scholarships/merit.php) for AIM HIGH requirements and FAQs.

## PHI THETA KAPPA

One-time \$1,000 award for Fall transfers with a baccalaureate-oriented associate degree and a 3.50 GPA. Deadline is early February. Application for the PTK can be found at: [eiu.academicworks.com](http://eiu.academicworks.com).

## PANTHER PROMISE TUITION WAIVER

We are committed to making education accessible. Students from households with an annual incoming ranging from \$32,000 to \$77,000 will receive up to \$2,500 towards tuition for up to eight semesters.

# EIU CONTACTS

ADMISSIONS OFFICE	217-581-2223
ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT	217-581-6014
B.A. IN GENERAL STUDIES PROGRAM	217-581-5618
DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES	217-581-6583
EXTENDED LEARNING	217-581-5114 OR 800-446-8918
FINANCIAL AID	217-581-6405
GRADUATE SCHOOL	217-581-2220
HONORS COLLEGE	217-581-2017
HOUSING OFFICE	217-581-5111
MILITARY STUDENT ASSISTANCE CENTER	217-581-7888
NEW STUDENT & FAMILY PROGRAMS	217-581-6435
ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT	217-581-6271
REGISTRAR/REGISTRATION OFFICE	217-581-3511
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TRANSFER RELATIONS	217-581-2120
VETERANS BENEFITS	217-581-7510

## COST TO ATTEND EASTERN: 2020-2021

	in-state	out-of-state*
Tuition	\$ 9,241.20	\$ 11,551.50
Textbook rental fee	\$ 292.50	\$ 292.50
Program/services fees	\$ 2,822.02	\$ 2,822.02
Room & board	\$ 9,864**	\$ 9,864**
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$22,219.72**</b>	<b>\$ 4,530.02**</b>

\* All residents of bordering states to Illinois (Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri & Wisconsin) and academically talented transfers with a 3.0 GPA and international transfers with a 3.5 GPA pay in-state tuition. Domestic students with below a 3.0 GPA may petition for in-state tuition.

\*\*Based on 30 hours of enrollment and the 12-plus meal plan for incoming students.

NOTE: Tuition is based on \$302 per credit hour for in-state residents and \$385.05 per credit hour for non-residents.

## HONORS TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP (\$1500)

This renewable award, is paid over the student's fall and spring terms for their first two years at EIU. Eligible students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5, 18 or more hours of transfer credit and been a part of transfer institution's honors.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### ARTICULATION CONFERENCE

Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2020

### TRANSFER OPEN HOUSE

Friday, Feb. 5, 2021

### VISITING CAMPUS\*

#### OPEN HOUSES

Monday, Oct. 12, 2020

Monday, Nov. 9, 2020

Monday, March 29, 2021

Monday, Jun 28, 2021

#### DAILY VISITS\*

Tours Monday - Friday

10 am and 2 pm

\*Schedule through [eiu.edu/visit](http://eiu.edu/visit)

#### ON-THE-SPOT ADMISSION

Representatives will do on-the-spot admissions during their visits. Students need application, fee or fee waiver request and all official transcripts to participate.