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## College for Kids Enriches Multiple Generations

Years ago, Libby Kacich's mother introduced her to the College for Kids program at Parkland College. Now, Libby's own children have followed in her footsteps.

"I loved the classes and had such a great experience," says Libby, a Champaign native. "When I became a mom in search of summer programming for my kids, it was one of the first things I sought out. I'm so happy that my kids love it as much as I did. It has been such a wonderful experience for all of us."

Each summer, kids ages 6 to 13 can take part in College for Kids, a two-week enrichment camp at Parkland, sponsored by Community Education. Those in the program experience hands-on, STEAM-based, interactive classes; make new friends in a collaborative learning environment; and explore new topics—all while having fun.

Libby's 12-year-old daughter Caroline took a variety of College for Kids courses in summer 2024, including Pawsitively Pets, Messy Scientists, Master Chef, and Lights, Camera, Action—all taught by professional educators. Caroline wanted to learn how to cook and explore topics such as animals and music.

"It surprised me that there were so many kinds of things I could do," Caroline says. "I could learn cooking and learn about animals, music, movies... just everything! What I liked best was the cooking. We got to make sweet and savory dishes like chicken and rice, cupcakes, and Rice Krispies treats."

For anyone looking to join College for Kids in summer 2025, Caroline advises them to register. "Don't be scared to talk to people," Caroline says. "The instructors are there to help. Try your best."

Caroline also attended the one-week Girls Rock! CU music camp. "The best part of camp is that you're able to learn a new instrument that you've never tried before in just a week, and it's very welcoming," she added.

Libby adds that there is something for everyone at Parkland's College for Kids. "The programs are run so well, the options are terrific, the ease of registration, the safety, thoughtful programming and inclusivity. It's all great," Libby says. "It's truly some of our family's favorite summer activities, and I couldn't recommend it more highly."

Registration for summer 2025 College for Kids opens February 14. Visit [parkland.edu/cfk](https://parkland.edu/cfk) to learn more.







# youth programs

## Rise and Shine, It's Breakfast Time, ages 10–14

Start your day off with a quick homemade breakfast! Discover how to make delicious breakfast foods that are filling and healthy. Master basic culinary skills and experiment with making crepes, quiche, fruit smoothies, bowls, and more. You will hop out of bed each morning to make these yummy breakfast options!

*Supplies provided. Allergy alert.*

5/31

Sat 9 AM–12 PM

Class ID: 18242

Location: PC-X115 & X118

\$65

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- Culinary
- History
- Technology
- Professional Development
- Career Training
- Youth



# college for kids



College for Kids makes learning fun. Your kids will love our interactive classes in science, technology, art, math, coding, robotics, writing, and more! **Early Bird discount! \$15 off each class when you register before March 14.**

## CFK classes and schedule

### June 16–26, 12:45–2:45 PM

class ID		ages
18291	Engineering With Legos	6–7
18289	Dungeons and Dragons and Dice, Oh My!	6–9
18312	Mix It Up	7–9
18299	Kids in the Kitchen	7–10
18280	Ctrl-Z Robotics Camp	8–9
18278	Creative Coding: Games, Storytelling, and Simulations	8–10
18303	Make Your Own Movie	8–10
18306	Messy Scientists	9–11
18301	Lights, Camera, Action	9–13
18282	Dare to Draw	10–12
18298	Jazz Clinic	10–13
18313	Pawsitively Pets	10–13
18271	Babysitting 101 and Beyond	11–13
18276	Chemistry Matters	11–13
18295	Incredible Apps	11–13

### June 16–26, 3–5 PM

class ID		ages
18308	Messy Scientists	6–9
18268	Adventures With Paper	7–9
18283	Dare to Draw	7–9
18317	Fun With Fibers	7–9
18297	iPad Art	7–9
18293	Engineering With Legos	8–10
18296	Incredible Apps	8–10
18302	Lights, Camera, Action	9–13
18281	Ctrl-Z Robotics Camp	10–11
18322	Design Your Own Board Game	10–13
18286	Discover Programming: Is It an Art or a Science?	10–13
18287	Dungeons and Dragons and Dice, Oh My!	10–13
18304	Master Chef	10–13
18277	Chemistry Matters	11–13
18279	Creative Coding: Games, Storytelling, and Simulations	11–13

### July 7–17, 12:45–2:45 PM

class ID		ages
18292	Engineering With Legos	6–7
18321	Garden Magic: Grow Your Own Food	6–8
18290	Dungeons and Dragons and Dice, Oh My!	6–9
18309	Messy Scientists	6–9
18300	Kids in the Kitchen	7–10
18319	Intro to Web Development	8–10
18310	Minecraft: Architects and Engineers	8–10
18272	Babysitting 101 and Beyond	9–11
18284	Dare to Paint and More!	9–11
18318	Fun With Fibers	10–12
18274	Checkmate! Learn to Play Chess	10–13
18314	Pawsitively Pets	10–13
18315	Sculpt It	10–13

### July 7–17, 3–5 PM

class ID		ages
18285	Dare to Paint and More!	6–8
18275	Checkmate! Learn to Play Chess	6–9
18316	Sculpt It	7–9
18270	Ag Survivor	8–10
18273	Build It From Scratch!	8–10
18294	Engineering With Legos	8–10
18307	Messy Scientists	9–11
18269	Adventures With Paper	10–12
18323	Props for the Stage	10–12
18288	Dungeons and Dragons and Dice, Oh My!	10–13
18305	Master Chef	10–13
18320	Intro to Web Development	11–13
18311	Minecraft: Architects and Engineers	11–13

## adventure & discovery

### Ag Survivor, ages 8–10

You're stranded in Illinois on your journey to paradise, and you must survive challenges in food production, animal care, and weather prediction to get there. You'll grow your own food, learn the biosecurity of animals and how poop is made, keep plants and flowers alive with pollination, and develop severe-weather experiments. A winner for each challenge will be recognized, along with a smoothie party to celebrate surviving. May you all survive being stranded in Illinois!

*Allergy alert.*

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18270  
Location: PC \$189

### Babysitting 101 and Beyond

Do you love children? Are you ready to take on new responsibilities as a babysitter or parent helper? Learn basic and advanced skills for keeping children safe in your care. Practice first-aid basics and discover ways to handle emergencies. Learn childcare routines, including diaper changing, bottle feeding, and managing age-appropriate behavior. Create a toolkit with games and activities and customize your business materials so you stand out as a well-prepared babysitter.

#### Ages 9–11

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18272  
Location: PC \$189

#### Ages 11–13

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18271  
Location: PC \$189

### Checkmate! Learn to Play Chess

Get ready to capture your opponent's king or queen in an exciting game of chess, one of the world's most popular strategy games. As a beginner, you'll learn opening principles, basic checkmates, how the pieces move, and how to notate a chess game. Play against friends and watch your confidence and problem-solving skills grow. Each class includes practice time and resources to use outside of class. All equipment provided.

#### Ages 6–9

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18275  
Location: PC \$189

#### Ages 10–13

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18274  
Location: PC \$189

### Chemistry Matters, ages 11–13

Warning: This is not your average science class! Get ready for a fast-paced class with daily hands-on experiments that lead you to discover why chemistry matters. Explore what makes a chemical element and why and how reactions occur. Using your newfound power of scientific observation, you'll conduct various experiments in chromatography, polymers, flame testing, and the chemical structure of water. This class emphasizes lab safety. All experiments will be conducted under the adult supervision of the instructor and classroom assistant.

*Closed-toe shoes required.*

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18276  
Location: PC \$189

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18277  
Location: PC \$189

### **new** Garden Magic:

### Grow Your Own Food, ages 6–8

Discover the wonders of gardening in this hands-on class. Learn how to grow your own food as you explore the magic of plant germination, pollination by bees and butterflies, and how plants harness sunlight and water to thrive. Through fun crafts and exciting experiments, you'll uncover the secrets of nature and create your very own garden to take home. Get ready to dig in and watch your green thumb grow!

*Allergy alert.*

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18321  
Location: PC \$189

### Kids in the Kitchen, ages 7–10

Do you dream of becoming a world-class chef? Or would you like to learn how to use something in the kitchen other than the microwave? Join this CFK favorite and discover how math, science, and art all play a role in cooking! Master basic cooking skills, perfect the precision of baking, and gain an understanding of kitchen and food safety skills. A variety of dishes will be prepared, including a few CFK traditions.

*Allergy alert. Bring a 3-cup lidded container each day.*

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18299  
Location: PC \$189

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18300  
Location: PC \$189



## Master Chef, ages 10–13

Do you prefer watching cooking shows over cartoons? Do you find yourself feeding others and preparing a new dish in the kitchen in your free time? Join us and put your culinary skills to the test! You should already understand basic measurement techniques, basic knife skills, and basic cooking techniques. You'll be preparing more advanced recipes that will require you to work at a faster pace than those in Kids in the Kitchen, so you should be familiar with how to read a recipe. We recommend that you have completed Kids in the Kitchen or another culinary class before enrollment.

*Allergy alert. Bring a 3-cup lidded container each day.*

6/16–6/26	Mon–Thu 3–5 PM	Class ID: 18304
Location: PC	\$189	
7/7–7/17	Mon–Thu 3–5 PM	Class ID: 18305
Location: PC	\$189	

## Pawsitively Pets, ages 10–13

Are you looking for ways to show your family that you will be a responsible pet owner or caregiver? Become an expert in understanding your pet's daily needs and keeping your pet healthy. Observe and interact with animal ambassadors from the Champaign County Humane Society so you'll understand pets' body language and emotions.

*Allergy alert: interaction with animals and pet dander.*

6/16–6/26	Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM	Class ID: 18313	Location:
PC	\$189		
7/7–7/17	Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM	Class ID: 18314	Location:
PC	\$189		

## Messy Scientists

It's time to get messy and have fun exploring the world of science! You will investigate the properties of science through wacky experiments. Explore chemistry by making dancing pasta and jelly volcanoes. Learn about the properties of water by designing an aqua filter. Investigate how molecules work by making elephant toothpaste. Prepare to make a mess and discover how the world around us works. Bring a smock or an old T-shirt to get messy! If possible, bring a small glass jar with lid, an empty 16-ounce soda bottle, an empty 2-liter soda bottle, and an empty paper towel roll.

### Ages 6–9

6/16–6/26	Mon–Thu 3–5 PM	Class ID: 18308
Location: PC	\$189	
7/7–7/17	Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM	Class ID: 18309
Location: PC	\$189	

### Ages 9–11

6/16–6/26	Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM	Class ID: 18306
Location: PC	\$189	
7/7–7/17	Mon–Thu 3–5 PM	Class ID: 18307
Location: PC	\$189	

## build & compute

### Build It From Scratch!, ages 8–10

Explore your creativity and let your ideas flourish in MIT's block-based programming environment, Scratch. From storytelling to animation to your own artistic design, you will have the opportunity to learn the fundamental concepts of writing code that brings your visions to life. The ready-to-use click, drag, and drop features of Scratch programming make coding feel more like putting together a colorful puzzle. Will the result be an interactive game or will it be an artistic masterpiece? It's up to you!

7/7–7/17	Mon–Thu 3–5 PM	Class ID: 18273
Location: PC	\$189	

### Creative Coding: Games, Storytelling, and Simulations

Using Microsoft's MakeCode Arcade and MIT's Scratch, you'll use these free online coding systems to create various interactive programs. These platforms use Blockly code, colorful connectable shapes that snap together and represent common programming statements and flows. With a click of a button, the system allows you to view the actual Python code that the blocks represent. Design and construct a variety of creations, including games, interactive stories, and even simulations, using your imagination and new coding skills.

### Ages 8–10

6/16–6/26	Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM	Class ID: 18278
Location: PC	\$189	

### Ages 11–13

6/16–6/26	Mon–Thu 3–5 PM	Class ID: 18279
Location: PC	\$189	

## Ctrl-Z Robotics Camp

Do you love science, technology, engineering, and math—better known as STEM? Do you like to know how things work? Join us for an engaging hands-on experience to learn about coding, designing robots, completing challenges, troubleshooting, and more! Activities will include egg drop, marshmallow bridge, and small-group build sessions using EV3 and Spike Prime Lego robotics kits. Led by our hometown world champion FIRST robotics team Ctrl-Z 4096!

*All equipment is provided.*

### Ages 8–9

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18280  
Location: PC \$189

### Ages 10–11

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18281  
Location: PC \$189

## Discover Programming: Is It an Art or a Science?, ages 10–13

Discover the art of programming through a variety of contexts. Using the Hour of Code curriculum from [code.org](http://code.org), you will have the opportunity to engage in writing block-based programs to solve puzzles with themes like Star Wars, recreate the popular game Flappy Bird, generate dazzling geometric artwork, and model biological ecosystems. In all contexts, you will uncover the fundamental concepts of writing code while crafting your knowledge set to prepare for future coding endeavors.

*Bring email address on first day to create [code.org](http://code.org) account.*

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18286  
Location: PC \$189

## Minecraft: Architects and Engineers

Develop your cultural, historical, and geographical knowledge and skills in electronics and invention. Design and build a connected network of small villages styled with internationally inspired buildings such as Japanese pagodas, French chateaus, and Islamic courtyards and gardens. Next, populate the spaces with regionally specific plants, animals, and other geographic features. Finally, use Redstone dust and devices to create automated doors, lighting effects, transportation systems, and other machine-like creations.

### Ages 8–10

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18310  
Location: PC \$189

### Ages 11–13

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18311  
Location: PC \$189

## **new** Intro to Web Development

Dive into the exciting world of web development in this interactive, hands-on camp! Learn how to build your own website from the ground up, starting with HTML to create structure and CSS to add style and flair. By the end of camp, you'll have a fully designed, multipage website to showcase your creativity and new skills. No prior experience is needed—just bring your curiosity and a love for exploring technology.

### Ages 8–10

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18319  
Location: PC \$189

### Ages 11–13

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18320  
Location: PC \$189

## Incredible Apps

Dive into the exciting world of app development with Thinkable, a beginner-friendly, block-based coding platform! In this hands-on course, you'll design and build your very own iOS app from start to finish—screen by screen. Learn to add engaging features like buttons, text, and images, creating a fully functional app for a mobile device. No prior experience? No problem! This class is perfect for beginners looking to unleash their creativity and develop powerful coding skills.

### Ages 8–10

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18296  
Location: PC \$189

### Ages 11–13

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18295  
Location: PC \$189





## design & create

### Adventures With Paper

Are you ready to unleash your creativity? Dive into the art of traditional printmaking and explore techniques to craft your own unique stamps, posters, greeting cards, and more. Let your imagination soar as you turn simple paper into stunning works of art!

#### Ages 7–9

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18268  
Location: PC \$189

#### Ages 10–12

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18269  
Location: PC \$189

### Dare to Draw

Build your sketchbook drawing skills by daring yourself to use various drawing tools and processes. Experiment with graphite, pastels, watercolor pencils, sharpies, gel pens, and surfaces. Expand your knowledge by learning different point perspectives and ways to draw using grid methods. Your artwork will leap off the page as you learn about perspective, scale, and design.

#### Ages 7–9

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18283  
Location: PC \$189

#### Ages 10–12

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18282  
Location: PC \$189

### Dare to Paint and More!

Love to paint? Learn creative painting techniques and ideas through decoupage, drawing, paints, and more! Create an art book that represents you in this fun and engaging class. Learn to overcome artistic imperfections and connect with your creative self.

#### Ages 6–8

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18285  
Location: PC \$189

#### Ages 9–11

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18284  
Location: PC \$189

### iPad Art, ages 7–9

Create your own digital art portfolio. Explore multiple forms of storytelling using photography, video, and animation. Using professional lighting and props, you'll discover how to create and edit your own portraits. Experiment with stop-motion and other animation types and drawing techniques. Learn the foundations of video editing including sound and image capture. Cap off the class with an exhibit that you design and set up.

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18297  
Location: PC \$189

### **new** Design Your Own Board Game, ages 10–13

Discover the world of board games and card games in this creative, hands-on class! Explore a variety of exciting games while building teamwork skills, embracing friendly competition, and experimenting with new ideas. Dive into the fundamentals of game design, including creating objectives, themes, and game flow. Then, bring your creativity to life by designing your very own board game to share with friends and family. Get ready to play, learn, and invent in this fun-filled class!

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18322  
Location: PC \$189

### Engineering With Legos

This foundational Lego class will inspire curious students and future engineers. Begin with reading diagrams and then progress to learning how motion and force work. You'll use hands-on investigation and problem-solving to build with Lego bricks, discover how simple motion sensors work, and gain basic computing and coding skills.

*Lego equipment provided.*

#### Ages 6–7

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18291  
Location: PC \$189

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18292  
Location: PC \$189

#### Ages 8–10

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18293  
Location: PC \$189

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18294  
Location: PC \$189

### **new** Fun With Fibers

Dive into the colorful and creative world of fiber arts in this hands-on class! Explore how fibers are transformed into art through techniques like needle felting, wet felting, and weaving. Learn the basics of fiber manipulation while creating unique projects that showcase your artistic flair. The class will culminate in a special showcase of student work—perfect for sharing your creations with friends and family. Unleash your creativity and discover the magic of fibers!

*Bring a smock or old T-shirt to get messy!*

#### Ages 7–9

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18317  
Location: PC \$189

#### Ages 10–12

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18318  
Location: PC \$189

## Make Your Own Movie, ages 8–10

Be a part of a movie crew and write, produce, and edit your own mini-movie. Write your own original storyboard, use an iPad to record your video, take fun pictures during the production stage, and edit the footage into a high-quality movie. At the end of the session, show your movie at a premiere party for family and friends.

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18303  
Location: PC \$189

## Mix It Up, ages 7–9

Let's mix it up! This creative class is a blast for young artists. Roll up your sleeves and get ready to dabble in painting, sculpture, and collage. Explore various art materials, tools, and processes by mixing colors and applying paint to textures and surfaces. Watch your creativity and imagination grow with the 2D and 3D projects you create.

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18312  
Location: PC \$189

## Sculpt It

The possibilities are endless when it comes to sculpting! Use fun and interesting materials to shape, construct, and create large and small sculptures. Discover how to construct with cardboard, recyclable materials, wire, and papier mâché. Gain inspiration from famous artists and use your creativity to design all kinds of amazing sculptures.

### Ages 7–9

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18316  
Location: PC \$189

### Ages 10–13

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18315  
Location: PC \$189

## on & off stage

## Dungeons and Dragons and Dice, Oh My!

Ever wanted to learn how to play Dungeons and Dragons? Join us for an introduction to role-playing games geared specifically for kids. Discover the basics of RPGs with a “rules light” version of the ever-popular Dungeons and Dragons. Led by an experienced game master, you'll learn about making characters, rolling the dice, and starting your adventure in role-playing.

*No previous knowledge of the game is required.*

### Ages 6–9

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18289  
Location: PC \$189

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18290  
Location: PC \$189

### Ages 10–13

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18287  
Location: PC \$189

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18288  
Location: PC \$189

## Lights, Camera, Action, ages 9–13

It's your chance to make a real TV show! Learn the fundamentals of TV production with hands-on training in camera operation, switching, script writing, titling, and audio. Work with the crew to create and star in a TV program, which may be broadcast on Parkland College's television channel, PCTV.

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18301  
Location: PC \$189

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18302  
Location: PC \$189

## Jazz Clinic, ages 10–13

Shake, rattle, and roll with CFK's very own jazz combo. Under the direction of Stacey Peterik, you will learn the fundamentals of the jazz style. Try improvisation and learn about the big band sound and other forms of jazz as you improve your skills. This class is perfect for those who play a band instrument as well as those who play drums, piano, bass, or guitar.

*All levels of musicians are welcome. At least one year of band instruction or private lessons is recommended but not required. Music provided. Bring your instrument to class each day.*

6/16–6/26 Mon–Thu 12:45–2:45 PM Class ID: 18298  
Location: PC \$189

## **new** Props for the Stage, ages 10–12

Bring your creativity to life and learn all about crafting props for the stage! Learn the basics of “flash and trash” prop design to make bold, eye-catching creations that stand out under the spotlight. Dive into techniques like crafting faux food and foam carving to create realistic and theatrical props. Class will culminate in a showcase where you'll display your amazing work. Perfect for aspiring theatre artists and prop enthusiasts.

7/7–7/17 Mon–Thu 3–5 PM Class ID: 18323  
Location: PC \$189



## CFK registration information

### Registration deadlines

Monday, June 2, for classes offered June 16–June 26

Monday, June 23, for classes offered July 7–17

### Early Bird Discount

Enroll your child before March 13 to receive \$15 off each class. Discount will be applied only to those classes for which you register during the early bird period and may not be transferred to other classes.

### Registration Tips

Improve your chances of enrolling your child in their favorite classes by registering them online and early. Please enroll your child in age-appropriate classes. All students must meet the required age by the class start date.

The cost is \$189 per class, unless otherwise noted. Confirmation will be emailed once your registration is complete.

### Class Cancellation

To receive a refund, you must cancel by June 2 for the June session or June 23 for the July session.

College for Kids reserves the right to cancel any class not meeting the minimum enrollment. Cancellations will be made the day after the registration deadline. In the event of a cancellation, we will attempt to place your child into an available class with your permission.

### Safety and Security

To maintain high standards of safety, College for Kids requires all students to have a Parkland College photo taken on the first day of class.

Staff will provide supervision during and between class times for all College for Kids students.

If your child has any special needs and/or allergies, be sure to indicate these at the time of registration.

### Reduced Tuition

Reduced tuition is available for students who receive free or reduced-cost lunch at school. For those who qualify, the cost is reduced by \$30 per class. Proof of eligibility for free or reduced-cost lunch is required; you may request documentation from your child's school. Documentation must be provided within one week of registration or the child will be dropped from the class.

To register and receive the reduced tuition, please use our online registration system. When checking out, enter the code **LUNCH**. Select **APPLY CLASS CODE** and the price will be automatically adjusted. Continue by selecting **CHECKOUT**.

### Scholarships

Scholarships are available for those who qualify for reduced tuition. Please print the scholarship form from [parkland.edu/youth](http://parkland.edu/youth), or email [communityeducation@parkland.edu](mailto:communityeducation@parkland.edu) for more information. Online registration is not available for scholarship applicants. Only one scholarship for one class will be awarded per student. Refunds will not be provided for classes awarded by scholarship. Community Education gratefully acknowledges financial support for scholarships from the Parkland College Foundation and others.

### Drop-Off and Pick-Up

Classes begin at 12:45 pm and 3 pm. Students should be dropped off between 12:30 and 12:45 pm or between 2:45 and 3 pm. No students may be dropped off before 12:30 pm. Parents or guardians must check their child in on the first day of class.

Classes end at 2:45 and 5 pm. Late fees will be assessed at \$1 per minute after 2:45 or 5 pm. If you know you will be late for pickup, please call 217/351-2235 to notify staff. Those attending classes at both times will be supervised between classes.

Please see the map in this brochure for the drop-off and pickup location.

## four easy ways to register

**ONLINE** Visit [parkland.edu/ceRegister](http://parkland.edu/ceRegister). Click *Search for a Class* and enter the class ID or class title. Note: You must set up a household profile and list the parent or guardian as the primary account holder. Add your child and register him or her. Credit card payments only.

**IN PERSON** Fill out the registration form, sign it, and bring it to 1315 N. Mattis Avenue in Champaign. Credit card/check/cash accepted. Monday–Friday, 8 am–5 pm. CLOSED Fridays, June 6–July 25.

**BY MAIL** Fill out the registration form, sign it, and mail it to 1315 N. Mattis Avenue, Champaign, IL 61821. Checks only or call to complete credit card transaction at 217/351-2235.

**BY FAX** Fill out the registration form, sign it, and fax it to 217/351-5928. Please call 217/351-2235 to complete credit card transaction or appear in person to pay by check or cash.

*Payment must be received before registration is confirmed.*



# discoverU

## spark. ignite. launch.

**DiscoverU offers older students exciting, hands-on learning experiences that encourage them to explore potential careers and expand their skills and talents.**

**Community Education gratefully acknowledges the financial support provided by Parkland's Division of Career and Technical Education (CTE), the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Grant.**

### Drop-Off and Pick-Up

Students may arrive 15 minutes before class. Parents or guardians must check their teen in on the first day of class if they are a minor.

Students must be picked up promptly at the end of camp each day. Late fees will be assessed in the amount of \$1 per minute after camp concludes. If you know you will be late for pickup, please call 217/351-2235 to notify staff.

### Reduced Tuition

Reduced tuition is available for students who receive free or reduced-cost lunch at school. For those who qualify, the registration fee is reduced by \$30 per camp. Proof of eligibility for free or reduced-cost lunch is required; you may request this documentation from your teen's school. Documentation must be provided within seven days of registration, or the teen will be dropped from the class.

To register and receive the reduced tuition, please use our online registration system. When checking out, enter the code **LUNCH**. Select **APPLY CLASS CODE**, and the price will be automatically adjusted. Continue by selecting **CHECKOUT**.

### Scholarships

Scholarships are available for those who qualify for reduced tuition. Please print the scholarship form from [parkland.edu/youth](http://parkland.edu/youth) or email [communityeducation@parkland.edu](mailto:communityeducation@parkland.edu) for more information. Online registration is not available for scholarship applicants. Only one scholarship for one camp will be awarded per student. Refunds will not be provided for camps awarded by scholarship. Community Education gratefully acknowledges financial support for scholarships from the Parkland College Foundation and others.

### Class Cancellation

To receive a refund, you must cancel two weeks prior to the start of camp.

Community Education reserves the right to cancel any camp not meeting the minimum enrollment. Cancellations will be made the day after the registration deadline. In the event of a cancellation, we will attempt to place your teen into an available camp with your permission.

### Safety and Security

To maintain high standards of safety, all DiscoverU students are required to have a Parkland College photo taken on the first day of camp.

Staff will provide supervision for all DiscoverU students during class times.

If your child has any special needs and/or allergies, be sure to indicate these at the time of registration.





## Automotive Camp

Do you love cars? Do you have the drive to learn how to maintain your own vehicle or explore a career as an automotive technician? Tinker with us at Parkland's state-of-the-art facility, the Parkhill Applied Technology Center, where you will learn the basics of automotive technology. This hands-on camp will teach you how to complete a vehicle safety inspection and perform basic maintenance tasks.

*T-shirt provided. Bring a water bottle and wear closed-toe shoes and long pants.*

### Ages 13–15

7/7–7/10 Mon–Thu 8 AM–12 PM Class ID: 18243  
\$195  
Location: PC-T110 & T117

7/14–7/17 Mon–Thu 8 AM–12 PM Class ID: 18244  
\$195  
Location: PC-T110 & T117

### Ages 16–18

7/21–7/24 Mon–Thu 8 AM–12 PM Class ID: 18245  
\$195  
Location: PC-T110 & T117



## Drone Camp, ages 14–18

Take to the skies for an unforgettable summer at Parkland College's drone camp, packed with adventure and hands-on activities. You will learn the internal workings of a drone and practice flying one in a simulated environment. Discover basic FAA flying rules and the many uses for drones, including racing, videography, and search and rescue, furthering your interest in one of today's fastest-growing industries. Show off your flying skills as you race your drone through an obstacle course.

*T-shirt provided. Bring a water bottle and a hat for sun protection, and wear sunscreen and closed-toe shoes.*

6/16–6/19 Mon–Thu 9 AM–12 PM Class ID: 18248  
\$189  
Location: PC-W112

## Culinary Thyme: Advanced Baking, ages 14–18

Are you inspired to become an amazing baker? Whisk, fold, and practice other essential baking techniques that result in braided breads, laminated doughs, and beautiful tarts. Learn how advanced ingredients work together as you make challenging but achievable recipes. You'll leave with recipes so you can re-create these delicious foods at home. All ingredients and equipment provided.

*Allergy alert. T-shirt, ingredients, and equipment provided. Bring a 3-cup lidded container and a water bottle, and wear closed-toe shoes.*  
6/9–6/12 Mon–Thu 9 AM–12 PM Class ID: 18246  
\$189  
Location: PC-X116 & X118

## Culinary Thyme: International Cuisine, ages 14–18

Taste the adventure of travel as you learn to make signature dishes from around the world with Carolyn McIntyre. You'll practice various cooking techniques and knife skills and learn kitchen safety. Share your excitement for trying bold flavors and ingredients with new friends as you make artful and delicious dishes inspired by French, Greek, and Italian cuisines. Re-create these dishes at home to share with family or friends.

*Allergy alert. T-shirt, ingredients, and equipment provided. Bring a 3-cup lidded container and a water bottle, and wear closed-toe shoes.*

7/21–7/24 Mon–Thu 9 AM–12 PM Class ID: 18247  
\$199  
Location: PC-X116 & X118

## First Gig Rock 'n' Roll Camp, ages 10–18

Play in a band! Jam with the pros! Be a rock star! Led by musicians who have years of studio and live performance experience, you will find this camp stands out from any other summer program. Immerse yourself in the life of a rock star as you rehearse with your band and work with a professional band leader to develop your band's live show. Make friends, fuel your passion for music, and have fun! Camp includes lunch, lunch talks with guest speakers, and conversations with local and regional artists in the field of music. Camp will conclude with a live performance on Saturday, June 7, at a local venue. Details will be provided during camp.

Lunch is provided. Allergy alert. Camp ends at 1 pm on Friday, June 6. Register early if you are a drummer. There are limited spaces for drummers. What to bring: Guitarists bring electric guitar, guitar strap, small amp, extra strings, guitar picks, and a cable. Bass players bring electric guitar, guitar strap, small amp, extra strings, guitar picks, and a cable. Drummers bring drum kit on the first day (it will remain secure for the duration of the camp), drumsticks, and a practice pad. Keyboardists bring keyboard and stand.

6/2–6/6 Mon–Thu 9 AM–4 PM & Fri 9 AM–1 PM  
Class ID: 18249 Location: PC-C148 \$399

## Girls Rock! C-U, ages 8–18

Get ready to jam with the best. Girls Rock! C-U is an exciting and safe place for you to explore the musical, technical, and creative aspects of being a musician. Individual music lessons and playing in a band are all parts of this camp experience, as well as learning to team-build, communicate with peers, and comfortably express yourself. You will help form a band, write and record your own music, and play a gig in a real music venue. No music experience is necessary; beginning and intermediate levels are welcome. This camp is open to girls, people who identify as transgender, and people who identify as gender nonconforming. Camp is led by the talented women who make up Girls Rock! C-U.

*Allergy alert. Lunch and a T-shirt are provided. You may bring your own instruments, amps, drumsticks, and such, but are not required to have an instrument. Some loaner instruments will be available. You will be placed in bands according to band needs and may not be able to play your first choice of instrument. Camp ends on Friday, July 25, at 1 pm. A special and mandatory festival will be held on Saturday, July 26, for the campers to showcase what they've learned. More details to follow. To inquire about financial assistance from Girls Rock!, contact [girlsrockcu@gmail.com](mailto:girlsrockcu@gmail.com).*

7/21–7/25 Mon–Thu 8 AM–4 PM & Fri 8 AM–1 PM  
Class ID: 18252 Location: PC-U140 \$315

## Girls' Quest Biology Camp, ages 12–15

Did you know that mussels help clean water and are a good indicator of water quality? Did you know that a starfish can eject its stomach to digest food outside its body? Or that perch have an air-filled sac that helps control depth in the water? In this camp, learn about each of these amazing creatures (and more!) and their ecological significance. *T-shirt, equipment, and materials are provided, including safety goggles. Experiments are conducted under the supervision of a professional educator. Bring a water bottle and wear closed-toe shoes.*

6/2–6/5 Mon–Thu 9 AM–12 PM Class ID: 18250  
Location: PC-L125 \$189

## Vet Med Camp, ages 14–18

Experience the exciting world of veterinary medicine and discover what it takes to become a veterinarian or veterinary technician. You will discover what modern veterinary medicine is all about through presentations, demonstrations, and interactive work. Gain hands-on experience conducting physical exams, performing lab work, reading X-rays, and studying blood and other samples through the lens of a microscope. You will get to practice basic surgical skills, including proper gowning and gloving procedures, suturing skills, and giving injections. Bring your passion for animals and science...we'll provide the rest!

*Allergy alert. T-shirt provided. Bring a water bottle and wear closed-toe shoes.*

7/21–7/24 Mon–Thu 8 AM–12 PM Class ID: 18255  
Location: PC-L160 & L227 \$179

## Girls' Quest Chemistry Camp, ages 12–15

Bring your curiosity and dive into hands-on lab experiments at Girls' Quest Chemistry Camp! You will discover the origins of matter. Prepare to investigate the world of Madame Marie Curie, a pioneer in the field of chemistry and physics. Like Madame Curie, you'll explore how and why reactions take place. You'll investigate the many facets of polymer chemistry, identify unknown chemicals using a flame test, and use your knowledge of atomic structure to save the world in a chemistry escape room.

*T-shirt, equipment, and materials provided, including safety goggles. Experiments are conducted under the supervision of a professional educator. Bring a water bottle and wear closed-toe shoes.*

6/9–6/12 Mon–Thu 9 AM–12 PM Class ID: 18251  
Location: PC-L125 \$179

## Stethoscopes and Scrubs: Health Professions Exploration, ages 14–18

Interested in a medical career? Immerse yourself in several clinical specialties in this interactive workshop. You'll learn about the fields of medical assisting, respiratory care, and certified nursing assistance. Participate in hands-on activities that introduce these fields and tour Parkland College's up-to-date labs. Gain an understanding of medical careers and the path that leads you to work in hospitals, clinics, surgical centers, operating rooms, and home health care centers.

*Allergy alert. Lunch and T-shirt provided. Bring a water bottle and wear closed-toe shoes.*

6/16–6/17 Mon–Tue 9 AM–3 PM Class ID: 18253  
Location: PC-L143 & L247 \$179

7/14–7/15 Mon–Tue 9 AM–3 PM Class ID: 18254  
Location: PC-L143 & L247 \$179

## SPARKFORCE™ THE FMA FOUNDATION

### new Welding Camp: Ignite Your Spark!

Ever wanted to shape metal into something amazing? While we can't give you Superman's powers, we can teach you the art of welding. Learn how to safely lay a bead and create your own custom tool or organizer box. Plus, discover exciting career paths in welding and metalwork. Let's spark your creativity—literally! Sponsored in part by a grant through the Foundation of the Fabricators and Manufacturers Association—SparkForce.

*Allergy alert. Snacks and T-shirt provided. Bring a water bottle and wear closed-toe shoes and long pants.*

**Ages 11–13**  
6/2–6/5 Mon–Thu 8 AM–1 PM Class ID: 18256  
Location: PC-T131 & T132 \$59

**Ages 14–16**  
6/9–6/12 Mon–Thu 8 AM–1 PM Class ID: 18257  
Location: PC-T131 & T132 \$59

# personal development

## health & wellness

### 10 Alzheimer's Warning Signs and New Treatments

This education program will help you recognize common signs of the disease in yourself and others and the next steps to take, including how to talk to your doctor.

3/26 Wed 6–7 PM Class ID: 17630  
Location: CE free

### **new** Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia

Alzheimer's disease is not a normal part of aging. Join us to learn about the impact of Alzheimer's, the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia, stages and risk factors, current research and treatments available for some symptoms, and Alzheimer's Association resources.

6/18 Wed 6–7 PM Class ID: 17845  
Location: CE free

### Core and More

The core muscles (abs, back, and other muscle groups around the midsection) are responsible for posture, balance, and stability. With AFAA-certified instructor Rena Leake, learn and practice exercises that strengthen your middle muscles.

*Bring a yoga mat.*

3/26–5/14 Wed 5:30 PM–6:30 PM Class ID: 17664  
Location: PC-P105 \$89

### Water Aerobics

Experience increased flexibility, strength, and endurance each week. Relieve stressed muscles and joint pain. With water aerobics pro Jo Rodríguez, participate at your own comfort level and enjoy the process.

3/25–5/13 Tue 12–12:45 PM Class ID: 17654  
Location: The Landing at Legends \$79

3/27–5/15 Thu 12–12:45 PM Class ID: 17655  
Location: The Landing at Legends \$79

### Mindful Eating

Are you ready to make peace with food and your body? Mindful eating might be for you. This is not another diet; in fact, it's the opposite. Mindful eating is an approach developed by doctors, dietitians, and psychologists to help people break out of the dominant diet culture and reconnect with their bodies and natural hunger cues. Join holistic health coach Lisa Merrifield as she helps you develop a healthier relationship with food by exploring hunger cues, using healthy techniques to reframe your thinking about food, and using supportive techniques to live in health and happiness.

5/5–5/19 Mon 6–7:30 PM Class ID: 17833  
Location: CE \$59

### Beginner Line Dancing

Learn classic line dances and get in some great exercise. You'll have so much fun learning or improving on some of the classic line dance moves that you'll forget you're burning calories, too! Studies show line dancing lessons greatly help with memory, balance, cardiovascular fitness, and vertigo. Plus, it's a ton of fun! Dances include the cupid shuffle, electric slide, and watermelon crawl.

*Bring a clean, dry pair of shoes to wear during class to avoid salt and moisture on the floor.*

3/31–4/21 Mon 5:30–6:30 PM Class ID: 17662  
Location: PC-P105 \$69

### Heartsaver First Aid, CPR, AED

Designed for those with little or no medical training who need a course completion card for a job requirement or who want to be prepared for an emergency in any situation. Infant and toddler CPR will also be covered. Upon completion, you will be issued an American Heart Association Course Completion Card.

*This course is ideal for community groups, new parents, grandparents, babysitters, and others interested in learning how to save a life.*

3/25 Tue 6–9 PM Class ID: 17636  
Location: CE \$99





## Fitness Center

Exercise on your own schedule! You will have access to cycles, treadmills, free weights, Universal equipment, and more.

- **Cardio equipment:** treadmills, ellipticals, up-right and recumbent cycles, StepMills, Waves, VersaClimber, and rowing machines (most include a smartphone docking station, built-in cable TV, and touch screen)
- **Strength training:** Keiser power rack, inlaid Olympic platform, bumper plates, sandbells, PowerBlocks, turf area, dumbbells, kettlebells, ropes, medicine balls, and push-pull systems
- **Upper-level walking track** that's free to anyone during fitness center hours

### Spring 2025 Fitness Center Hours

January 13–May 15

Monday–Thursday 7 AM–7 PM

Friday 7 AM–5 PM

Saturday 8 AM–12 PM

Sunday **CLOSED**

March 17–20 limited hours: 9 AM–12 PM

**Class ID: 17694    Location: PC-P130    \$99**

# money matters

## Investing in IRAs

Individual retirement accounts (IRAs) are one of the most versatile tools that pre-retirees have access to, but many people fail to use IRAs to their full potential. Join Jim Lilley as he breaks down the basics of traditional, Roth, and spousal IRAs, as well as many strategies that you can implement to get the most out of your hard-earned retirement savings. Whether you are a novice or just need a refresh-er on the current IRA features and rules, this course can prepare you for navigating your accounts in both the accumulation and distribution phases.

5/13                      Tue 6–8 PM                      Class ID: 17815    Location:  
CE                                      \$9

## Preparing Your Estate Plan

Do you know where your assets will go when you die? If not, join financial advisor Kellie Wolking-Kaefering to explore the steps of estate planning. Topics include the function of a will and the various types of trusts. An estate-planning attorney will be present to answer questions.

5/13–5/20                      Tue 6:30–8:30 PM                      Class ID: 17853  
Location: CE                      \$15

## Savvy Social Security Planning

Social Security is the largest single source of retirement income for most Americans, yet most Americans do not maximize their benefits. Learn five key factors for applying for benefits and ways to estimate your benefits, minimize taxes during retirement, coordinate benefits with your spouse, and more. Jim Lilley of Chesser Financial will lead you through this informative seminar, where you will learn that the decisions you make today can have a tremendous bearing on the total number of benefits you stand to receive over your lifetime.

*Designed specifically for people ages 50 and older.*

4/15                      Tue 6–8 PM                      Class ID: 17816  
Location: CE                      \$9

## Understanding Medicare

With any government program, there can be confusion, opinions, and complexity leading to misinformation. This is certainly true of Medicare. Learn the basics of Medicare and how it coordinates with supplemental insurance. This course gives you what you need to decide for yourself or a loved one. For more than 20 years, Jim Lilley of Chesser Financial has been helping people understand retirement income and spending, and he knows how to make this an enjoyable and informative presentation.

*Designed specifically for people ages 60 and older.*

5/6                      Tue 6–8 PM                      Class ID: 17817  
Location: CE                      \$9

# arts & crafts

## **new** Arabic Calligraphy

Explore Arabic calligraphy and its historical context within the Arab-Muslim world. You will start with a brief lecture on the history and then be introduced to various Arabic calligraphy scripts. Receive personalized, hands-on practice, including in-class practice with visual aids and take-home assignments. Each student will receive a toolkit that includes a bamboo pen, ink, and instructional materials to take home.

*All materials provided.*

4/14 Mon 6–8 PM Class ID: 17839  
Location: CE \$79

## Ceramics: Slab Building Functional Pottery

Designed for beginners. Over four meetings, you'll learn techniques and applications of slab building to create functional forms such as cups, tumblers, or small bowls. To finish your pieces, you'll learn about glaze application and the firing process. Return for the final meeting to check out others' completed products on display, get final instructions on care and maintenance, and pick up your finished items to take home and enjoy. Expect to produce two to four functional vessels.

*Class tool kits and clay must be purchased before the first class through Art Coop at 150 Lincoln Square, Urbana. Expect to pay approximately \$50 for supplies. Order online at [theartcoop.com](http://theartcoop.com).*

5/3–6/7 Sat 10 AM–12 PM no class 5/24  
Class ID: 17834 Location: PC-C193 \$149

## **new** Circular Weaving Workshop

Join Macy McCall of TwinFringe for a weaving workshop! Learn how to weave fiber onto a circular loom using beginner-friendly techniques. A variety of colors are provided to customize your take-home piece!

*All supplies are included.*

6/12 Thu 6–8 PM Class ID: 17838  
Location: CE \$49

## Macramé Plant Hanger

Learn to make your own plant hanger for spring. Fiber artist Macy McCall of TwinFringe welcomes all skill levels as she leads you through different macramé knots and the materials needed for macramé projects. Leave with a finished plant hanger that fits a 4-inch pot and the know-how to design and create more pieces on your own. Improve your skills with each macramé project you take on. And it would make a great Mother's Day gift!

*All macramé supplies included. Plants and pots are not included. The instructor will have plants from Planted, a local plant shop, available for purchase after class.*

5/8 Thu 6–8 PM Class ID: 17837  
Location: CE \$49

## Life Drawing

Working from a model, learn how to draw the human form from direct observation. The essential elements of life drawing, including anatomy, proportion, volume, composition, and gesture, are addressed to provide a focus for increasing skill. Classes warm up with quick gesture drawings, then ease into longer poses. Classes include built-in break times. Some previous drawing experience required.

*Supply list available online.*

3/27–5/1 Thu 6–8:30 PM Class ID: 17670  
Location: PC-C188 \$219

## Learn to Knit

In this class designed for beginners, you'll learn how to cast on and off, drop and pick up a stitch, yarn over, and master the purl stitch. Pick up tips and tricks on repairing mistakes, and learn how to read a pattern. Learn proper knitting terminology and receive assistance as you get started in this small class setting. You'll leave with a small project completed and the skills to keep working on your own.

*All supplies and materials are included; suitable for both right- and left-handed people.*

4/25–5/16 Fri 10 AM–12 PM Class ID: 17805  
Location: CE \$149

## Colored Pencils

Add another dimension to your original drawings with colored pencils. Artist instructor Jackie Tice will introduce you to color theory and practical techniques for colored pencils. Through the use of still life, photo, and observation, she will help you develop your skills and eye for color, allowing you to nurture your own vision.

*A supply list will be provided.*

5/8–6/12 Thu 6–8:30 PM Class ID: 17826  
Location: PC-C186 \$149

## **new** Mixed Media: Design Your Own Art Book

Record your story, feelings, and ideas through photos, images, paints, and more. Create an inspirational art book that represents you through various techniques in this fun, relaxing class. Reduce stress, overcome imperfections, and connect with your creative self. Mixed-media art is for everyone. You do not need to be an artist to participate; it's all about the process, not the outcome.

*Supply list is available online.*

5/10 Sat 9–11 AM Class ID: 17830  
Location: PC-C186 \$89

# language & writing

## **new** Painting Spring Flowers

Painting flowers can be intimidating due to their complexity. You will focus on eliminating unnecessary information, look past the details, and use shapes of light and shadow to create the form. Paula McCarty, MFA, will conduct the workshop.

*Appropriate for beginner and intermediate painters. Supply list is available online. New students can expect a materials list of approximately \$130; existing painters may need to augment their current supplies.*

4/1–4/22                      Tue 6–8:30 PM                      Class ID: 17831  
Location: PC-C190      \$159

## **new** Painting the Still Life

Still-life painting is an exceptional way to explore the fundamentals of paint and painting. The focus of this workshop is direct observation of simple still-life objects to create single-session paintings. You will learn about tonal and chromatic development, materials, and the handling of paint. You can use either acrylic or oil paint. Paula McCarty, MFA, will conduct the workshop.

*Appropriate for beginner and intermediate painters. Supply list is available online. New students can expect a materials list of approximately \$130; existing painters may need to augment their current supplies.*

5/21–6/11                      Wed 6–8:30 PM                      Class ID: 17832  
Location: PC-C190      \$159

## **new** Punch Needle Embroidery: Create a Tufted Magnet

Explore the art of punch needle embroidery in this fun and engaging course designed for all skill levels! Learn the basics of this versatile craft while using provided tools and materials to create a small tufted magnet from start to finish. Choose from a variety of predesigned patterns or express your creativity by designing your own. Whether you're new to needlework or looking to expand your crafting skills, this hands-on class will guide you through each step, leaving you with a unique handmade keepsake to take home.

*All materials provided.*

4/15                      Tue 6–8:30 PM                      Class ID: 17848  
Location: CE              \$49  
6/10                      Tue 9:30 AM–12 PM                      Class ID: 17849  
Location: CE              \$49

## **new** Arabic Calligraphy

Explore Arabic calligraphy and its historical context within the Arab-Muslim world. You will start with a brief lecture on the history and then be introduced to various Arabic calligraphy scripts. Receive personalized, hands-on practice, including in-class practice with visual aids and take-home assignments. Each student will receive a toolkit that includes a bamboo pen, ink, and instructional materials to take home.

*All materials provided.*

4/14                      Mon 6–8 PM                      Class ID: 17839  
Location: CE              \$79

## Beginning Conversational French

Proper pronunciation is important for effective communication. This course has been carefully crafted to ensure you will have no trouble pronouncing French words correctly. You will learn how to communicate at the airport and hotel, how to talk to hotel employees, and how to communicate in restaurants. Each lesson includes cultural tips. Hand and body gestures mean different things in diverse cultures. For example, do you know the proper way to point to avoid offending people in France? This course will tell you. You will be pleased with your quick progress, and you will be prepared for your next trip!

*"I have learned an incredible amount of French from this beginning class. I think that is mostly due to the class format and teaching style of the instructor. Merci beaucoup!" —Ed2Go student*

Register at [ed2go.com/pc](https://ed2go.com/pc).

4/16–5/23	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115
5/14–6/20	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115
6/11–7/18	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115

## Instant Italian

This dynamic course will teach you how to express yourself comfortably in Italian. You'll read, hear, and practice dialogues of everyday words, which will teach you to communicate in a variety of settings.

*"I found the information in the class to be extremely useful and just the thing that I needed to go to Italy and communicate in an understandable and basic way. Professor Bertoldi's explanations were clear and the additional information available for each lesson was helpful."*

—Ed2Go student

Register at [ed2go.com/pc](https://ed2go.com/pc).

4/16–5/23	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115
5/14–6/20	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115
6/11–7/18	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115



## Conversational Japanese

Whether you want to learn conversational Japanese for travel or just for fun, you'll find this course makes it easy and enjoyable for beginners to master the essentials of the Japanese language. Throughout this course, you'll gain cultural knowledge and learn useful conversational phrases and vocabulary words particular to a specific area of travel. You'll practice these in drills, interactive exercises, and dialogues. In each lesson, you'll find helpful audio aids and Japanese words written in the English alphabet. This technique will allow you to bypass one of the biggest obstacles for most beginners of Japanese: the letter system. By the end of this course, you'll have acquired basic conversational skills that enable you to travel around the country easily, and you'll have discovered the heart of Japan!

*"The course was outstanding!! The approach and method of teaching were completely appropriate. The instructor's pleasing personality was very evident in each lesson. In addition, her pride in being a guide to her native language and customs embellished the lessons with an exceptionally pleasant atmosphere and authenticity. I look forward to enrolling in her future courses."* —Ed2Go student

Register at [ed2go.com/pc](https://ed2go.com/pc).

4/16–5/23	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115
5/14–6/20	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115
6/11–7/18	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115

## Writing the Fantasy Novel

Fantasy is an increasingly popular genre of fiction, and now is a fun time to become a fantasy fiction writer! This course is perfect if you have an idea for a book or even if you don't know where to start. With the tools you'll gain in this course, you'll be ready to tackle your first fantasy novel. Learn what separates fantasy fiction from other types of fiction. You will also discover how to create characters and populate your world with unique, compelling, and interesting creatures. You'll learn how to outline your book, come up with a theme, and commit to actually writing. You will learn how to revise and edit so that when you complete it, your book will essentially be a finished product. You will even learn a bit about publishing your book, including the differences between self-publishing and traditional publishing. Finally, you'll get several tips on staying motivated and completing your novel—because, after all, writing is hard work!

Register at [ed2go.com/pc](https://ed2go.com/pc).

4/16–5/23	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115
5/14–6/20	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115
6/11–7/18	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115

## Writing for Children

Discover what you need to know to write for children. If you are a beginner writer, this course will help you transform your book idea into a finished product. If you are already a successful writer, this course will help you explore new opportunities and markets for your work. You will explore the changing world of children's literature and understand the various formats, including picture books, chapter books, middle-grade novels, and young adult novels. You will get insights from publishing professionals to gain a better understanding of the needs of today's market. You will receive valuable tips about creating your manuscript, and even practice writing a query letter to submit to a publisher. By the time you finish this course, you will have all the tools and resources you will need to begin navigating the world of children's publishing and to continue growing as a writer for children.

Register at [ed2go.com/pc](https://ed2go.com/pc).

4/16–5/23	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115
5/14–6/20	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115
6/11–7/18	24 hours	ONLINE	\$115

# music

## Instant Piano for Busy People

In just a few hours, you can learn enough secrets of the trade to give you years of musical enjoyment. Learn to play piano the way professionals do using chords. The Zoom format allows you to sit at your piano or keyboard at home while you learn. An online book and online follow-up video lessons are included, which allow you to continue your practice and study at your own pace. An optional periodic online question-and-answer session is also included. You will receive a recording of the live Zoom session. The course is part lecture demonstration and part hands-on instruction. Topics include how chords work in a song, how to get more out of sheet music by reading less of it, how to form the three main types of chords, how to handle different keys and time signatures, how to avoid counting, and how to simplify more than 12,000 complex chords.

4/12	Sat 9 AM–12 PM	Class ID: 17824
ONLINE	\$79	

## Instant Guitar for Busy People

Have you ever wanted to learn the guitar but found it challenging to find the time? In just a few hours, you can learn enough about playing the guitar to give you years of musical enjoyment, and you won't have to take private lessons to do it. This crash course will teach you some basic chords and get you playing along with your favorite songs right away. Since this class is held online with Zoom, you can sit at home with your guitar and take the class without any pressure. The session includes an online book and online follow-up video lessons to allow you to continue your practice and study independently. An optional periodic online question-and-answer session and a recording of the Zoom session are also available. Topics include how chords work in a song, how to form the three main types of chords, how to tune your guitar, basic strumming patterns, how to buy a good guitar (and things to avoid), and how to play along with simple tunes.

6/2 Wed 6:30–9 PM Class ID: 17825  
ONLINE \$79

## Music Ensembles

Community instrumentalists and vocalists are invited to join. Enrollment is open through mid-March. Audition is required. Each ensemble is \$35. Register by contacting the Arts, Media, and Social Sciences Department at 217/351-2217.

### Choral Ensemble/Parkland Chorale

1/14–5/6 Tue 5–7:45 PM CMS 442-001 Location: PC-C142

### Instrumental Ensemble/Wind Ensemble

1/14–5/6 Tue 6:30–9:15 PM CMS 446-001 Location: PC-C148

### Instrumental Ensemble/Orchestra

1/13–5/5 Mon 7–9:45 PM CMS 447-001 Location: PC-C148

### Instrumental Ensemble/Concert Band

1/16–5/8 Thu 7–9 PM CMS 448-001 Location: PC-C148

### Jazz Ensemble/Small Jazz Ensemble

1/13–5/5 Mon 3–5:45 PM CMS 469-001 Location: PC-C148

### Guitar Ensemble

1/15–5/7 Wed 6–8:45 PM CMS 484-001 Location: PC-C142



# home & garden

## Canning Strawberry Jam

Join award-winning canner Sue Tiger as she walks you through the process of making delicious strawberry jam. Leave with two jars—one already made and one that you make in class and take home to allow it to set. Canning gives you control over what you put into your food, tastes better than store-bought products, and is cost effective. Learn the techniques and processes for canning safely. You'll get a background on the science behind the canning process as you work. Not only will you take home step-by-step instructions for the delicious recipe, but you'll also leave with your own canned jar to enjoy and share.

*All supplies are provided.*

4/5 Sat 9–11:30 AM Class ID: 17629  
Location: PC-X118 \$79

## Container Gardening With Vegetables: Salsa Garden

In addition to fewer weeds and easier harvesting, you can maximize your space and gain control over your growing techniques. The great thing about growing in containers is the ability to move the pot to adjust its exposure and help your plants thrive. Learn the advantages of using pots and how to care for this unique garden. Leave with your own container garden to get you started. This class is appropriate for the amateur and enthusiast gardener.

*Bring one 14-inch pot and two 8-inch pots. Soil will be provided.*

*Make sure to prep your vehicle. Park in W2 lot. Class will be held in the greenhouse.*

5/1 Sun 1–3 PM Class ID: 17814  
Location: PC-W122 \$69

## Introduction to Beekeeping

Keeping bees happy and healthy is essential. Get the best advice for starting up a hive, selecting suitable hive locations, and understanding the honeybee's life cycle. Basic equipment, nutrition, and disease control will also be reviewed. Would-be beekeepers, new beekeepers, and others with a lively interest in honeybees are welcome.

4/1 Tue 6–8:30 PM Class ID: 17829  
Location: CE \$29

## **new** Native Bees in Your Garden

Honeybees are important, but native bees get unfairly overlooked. Examine the peculiarities and preferences of four native bees that are likely to inhabit your garden: mining, mason, bumble, and carpenter bees. Discuss what crops these bees pollinate and how to attract or (in the case of the carpenter bee) discourage them. You'll discover that all bees are not the same, but nature has a niche for each of them.

4/17 Thu 6–8 PM Class ID: 17850  
Location: CE \$29

## Dairy Goat Basics

Penny Gioja welcomes you to Joy of Illinois Farm, where you'll observe, learn, and fully appreciate the spirit required for starting and sustaining a dairy goat operation. Get close to the goats, the product, and the process. Penny has been raising goats for over 30 years. Wear comfortable clothing and closed-toe shoes. Note: This is a working farm. Expect steps and uneven ground.

6/21 Sat 12–3 PM Class ID: 17820  
Location: Joy of Illinois Farm \$89

## Beginner Soap Making

In this hands-on workshop, you'll go over the basics of cold-process soap making. You will make your own scented mini-loaf of soap. Your soap will have all-natural, easy-to-obtain ingredients.

*All materials provided.*

4/2 Wed 6–8:30 PM Class ID: 17835  
Location: PC-X118 \$119

## **new** Parallel Floral Design

Create a dynamic floral arrangement with Carol Kamradt, ICPF, ICD, as she guides you through the art of crafting elegant, linear floral designs that emphasize structure and balance. Discover how to arrange flowers in parallel lines, explore visual harmony, and learn to adjust proportions for a polished and professional look. Perfect for all skill levels, this class will inspire your creativity and refine your floral design skills.

*All tools and materials provided.*

5/3 Sat 1–3 PM Class ID: 17828  
Location: CE \$89

## Introduction to CNC Router

The CNC router is a 21st-century woodworking machine used to cut parts, carve decorative details, make signs, and produce relief carvings. CNC machines are popular with woodworking hobbyists, artists, and crafters in home shops and makerspaces. Local CNC woodworker Allan Tuchman will guide you in using the popular VCarve Pro software required for operating any CNC router, and you'll design a project. An additional two-hour session will be arranged for you to complete your project on an actual CNC machine at the Champaign Woodworkers Club after being trained in the safety and operation of the CNC router.

*Prerequisite: comfort working with Windows PCs and using a computer mouse. Experience with design, graphics, or photo editing software is helpful.*

3/25–4/1 Tue & Thu 6–9 PM Class ID: 17821  
Location: CE \$265

## **new** The Art of Ikebana: Bringing Flowers to Life

Discover the ancient Japanese art of ikebana, where floral arrangement is more than just placing flowers in a vase. In this engaging one-night workshop, you'll learn the philosophy behind Ikebana, which translates to "make flowers come alive." Explore techniques to transform cut flowers into vibrant arrangements that highlight each flower's natural beauty and harmony with others. Guided by an expert instructor, you'll create your own floral piece while developing aesthetic sensitivity and mindfulness. No prior experience is necessary—just bring an open mind and a love for flowers. Take home a beautiful arrangement and new insights into the art of mindful creativity.

*All materials provided.*

6/18 Wed 6–8 PM Class ID: 17846 Location: CE \$99

## Spring Floral Garden Arrangement

Under the expert guidance of Carol Kamradt, ICPF, ICD, you'll learn to blend vibrant blooms and lush greenery into a design that radiates the beauty of spring. Discover tips for selecting, arranging, and styling flowers to create a truly unique centerpiece that brightens any space. Perfect for beginners and experienced designers alike, this class provides all materials and tools—just bring your creativity! *Registration deadline 3/28. All tools and materials provided. Park in W2 lot. Class will be held in the greenhouse.*

4/12 Sat 1–3 PM Class ID: 17827  
Location: PC-W120 & W122 \$89





# culinary

## **new** Brazil: Brigadeiro de Colher and Pao de Quijo

Make some delicious Brazilian snacks. Start with a traditional and popular snack (or breakfast food) pao de quijo. These are baked cheese rolls—and even though it's bread, the dough doesn't use yeast, so they are gluten-free! But you can't leave without dessert, so you'll also learn to prepare the Brazilian chocolate truffle brigadeiro de colher. These bite-size pieces have a delicious texture and rich chocolate flavor.

*Bring two lidded containers.*

3/25 Tue 6–8:30 PM Class ID: 17623  
Location: PC-X118 \$79

## Classic Croissants

Croissants, named for their crescent shape, use the laminating technique to layer dough and butter to achieve a flaky texture. Join pastry chef Doris Klenke in this hands-on class as you learn the techniques for working with yeasted dough, creating the butter-laminated dough, and filling and proofing the croissant to ensure the right texture. Doris will have dough prepared in various stages so you can practice every step of the process, in addition to prepping some croissants to take home for baking at the end of class. Great for beginning to advanced bakers.

*Bring a 9-by-13-inch glass dish.*

4/9 Wed 6–8:30 PM Class ID: 17812  
Location: PC-X118 \$89

## Pains Au Chocolat Croissant

Re-create this French bakery classic with pastry chef Doris Klenke. Croissants are one of the most delicious pastries in the world, but it is difficult to perfect the flaky, buttery texture. Learn the techniques and tricks of making a delicious croissant. Doris will have dough prepared in various stages so you can practice every step of the process, in addition to prepping some croissants to take home for baking at the end of class. Great for beginning to advanced bakers.

*Bring a covered 9-by-13-inch dish or 2 large lidded containers.*

5/7 Wed 6–8:30 PM Class ID: 17813  
Location: PC-X118 \$89

## Pie Dough Creations

Create delicious sweet and savory delights in no time! Learn to make a small free-form rustic fruit tart. While that's baking and creating a wonderful aroma, you'll whip up a gruyere, thyme, and caramelized onion pocket pie. Say goodbye to those frozen pie crusts from the store and enjoy the flaky goodness of homemade dough.

*Bring two large lidded containers.*

4/23 Wed 6–8:30 PM Class ID: 17811  
Location: PC-X118 \$79

## Cake Decorating Basics

This introductory decorating class will lead you to create beautiful cakes. Techniques include leveling and stacking cakes, applying icing, and hand-sculpting flowers. You'll also learn how to put the finishing touches on with borders and writing on the cake. No experience is necessary.

*All supplies are provided, including 5-inch cakes. Bring a container to take your cake home.*

3/29 Sat 1–4 PM Class ID: 17634  
Location: PC-X118 \$79

## **new** Cookie Decorating

Learn the basic skills and tools to be a cookie artist. As you become familiar with the tools of the trade, you'll decorate several cookies using outline and flood techniques, and you'll practice those techniques with various frosting consistencies. Work on wet-on-wet designs and, of course, use sprinkles to enhance your works of art. Each student will take home approximately five frosted cookies.

*All materials provided. Bring a lidded container.*

### Spring

3/26 Wed 6–9 PM Class ID: 17645  
Location: PC-X118 \$79

### Baby Shower

5/14 Wed 6–9 PM Class ID: 17823  
Location: PC-X118 \$79

### May Flowers

4/30 Wed 6–9 PM Class ID: 17822  
Location: PC-X118 \$79

## **new** Homebrewing Essentials for the Beginner

This class will equip you with all the knowledge and skills needed to brew like a pro using extract kits. Learn everything from the essential equipment needed for brewing to the intricate process of fermentation and bottling. Instructor Robert Ginger will guide you through the steps of extract brewing, covering topics such as malts, grains, hops, and yeasts and troubleshooting common issues that may arise during the brewing process. Brew a kit from start to finish, gaining valuable insights and practical experience along the way.

*Must be at least 21 years of age.*

4/12 Sat 9–11:30 AM Class ID: 17818  
Location: PC-X118 \$89

# history

## **new** Champaign History Walking Tour: Theaters and Opera Houses of Downtown Champaign

Join the Champaign County History Museum as we explore the stories and histories of the theaters and opera houses of downtown Champaign. Many establishments have brought shows, movies, and performances to our community; however, only a few remain. Many will know about Virginia Theatre, the longest-operating theater in Champaign, but what about the Art, the Orpheum, the Rialto, and Walker Opera House? These are just some of the prominent theaters and opera houses that you'll have the opportunity to learn about during this walking tour. This tour covers about 1.5 miles and takes approximately 60 minutes.

*Wear comfortable shoes. The tour meets and begins at Champaign County History Museum, 102 East University Avenue, Champaign. Public parking near the museum is located behind the police station and on the street. Please arrive 15 minutes early.*

6/10 Tue 10–11:15 AM Class ID: 17836  
Location: Champaign County History Museum \$25



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## **Genealogy Basics: The Puzzle of the Past**

Genealogy is a fascinating topic, and it's easy to get swept up in the allure of finding all the answers. Rather than just an accumulation of facts, genealogy tells a story of how we relate to the past. Each of us has a unique genealogical narrative composed of various pieces that make up the puzzle of who we are, but learning how to solve or interpret this narrative can be challenging. Learn the concepts and practical steps as a beginner genealogist to piece together your family history and leave a completed puzzle for your genealogical legacy. Instructor Marlaina Lindgren will use examples from her own family history and experience in this interactive workshop.

4/7–4/21 Mon 10 AM–12 PM Class ID: 17807  
Location: CE \$89

## **new** Intermediate Genealogy: Piecing Together the Past

Build on your knowledge of genealogy basics and learn how to take the next steps in your research. Focus on practical applications of genealogy concepts, and learn how to use your skills to assemble the pieces of the puzzle that are your history. Learn to set and accomplish your research goals and purpose, and identify the legitimacy of sources. You will build a framework to conduct research and learn how to troubleshoot some common problems encountered during research. You'll be able to ask questions about your own research and obtain assistance.

*You will not log in to any genealogy sites during class. This class allows for questions about the research you are working on or have completed outside of class.*

5/5–6/2 Mon 10 AM–12 PM no class 5/26  
Class ID: 17808 Location: CE \$109

## **new** Surviving the Holocaust: Stories of Courage

Explore the inspiring story of Dr. William Gingold, who was born in Warsaw a few days after the Nazi Germany invasion of Poland and the bombardment of Warsaw at the start of World War II. Listen as he delves into his family's experience of incarceration in the Warsaw Ghetto, escape attempts, and their eventual transport to Siberia. Discover how they navigated the hardships of survival in Kazakhstan and a displaced persons camp in Germany, culminating in their arrival at Ellis Island in 1951. Through Dr. Gingold's personal narrative, you will gain insights into resilience, the impact of war on families, and the journey of adaptation and hope in the face of unimaginable challenges.

4/22 Tue 1–3 PM Class ID: 17819  
Location: CE \$9

# recreation

## Beginning Bridge

Discover the challenging and enjoyable card game of bridge with Gold Life master Bob Sievers. Learn how to play the game, evaluate your hand, bid, take tricks, score, play defense, and most of all have fun!

4/9-4/23 Mon & Wed 6:30-8:30 PM Class ID: 17809  
Location: CE \$59

## Intermediate Bridge

You know the basics. Now is your chance to strengthen your hand, sharpen your strategies, and learn to play with greater skill. Bob Sievers, a Gold Life master, helps you gain an obvious edge, whether you are interested in organized competitive play or just an evening of entertainment.

4/30-5/14 Wed 6:30-8:30 PM Class ID: 17810  
Location: CE \$59



## Pistol One: Fundamentals

This is the first step in your handgun training. If you are new to firearms and have an interest in firing a handgun, this class is for you. Ownership of a handgun is not required, nor is a FOID card. Your instructor will guide you through your first experience on the range with a .22 caliber handgun, and there will be plenty of classroom time for discussion and questions. The only requirement is that you have an open mind and a willingness to learn.

*Bring your own safety glasses and hearing protection. Ammunition and handguns will be provided. An Illinois Firearm Owner Identification (FOID) card is not required.*

3/22 Sat 3-6 PM Class ID: 17806  
Location: High Caliber \$99

# travel

## Armchair Presentations

Join us on adventures near and far as our presentations give you unique perspectives of travelers' experiences.

### **new** Hellenic Treasures: A Journey to Athens and the Islands of Santorini and Mykonos

Join Robin Goettel on a captivating adventure through the rich history and breathtaking landscapes of Ancient Greece and the Greek Islands. Embrace the history, landscapes, and culture of Greece. You'll hear about Athens, Delphi, Mycenae, Epidauros, Santorini, and Mykonos on this 12-day journey.

3/25 Tue 1:30-3 PM Class ID: 17658  
Location: CE \$15

### **new** The Vikings and Iceland

Join Fred Delcomyn as he shares what he's learned about Viking history and traditions along with a trip to Iceland to discover the natural beauty of this country, which was discovered and settled by Norse people in the Viking age.

4/24 Thu 1:30-3 PM Class ID: 17699  
Location: CE \$15



# day trips

## **new** A Day of Opera: La Bohème

Join us for an enriching day trip that combines the magic of opera with a delightful culinary experience! Upon arrival in Chicago we'll enjoy lunch before a 30-minute pre-opera talk that will immerse you in the world of Giacomo Puccini's *La Bohème*, offering insights into its themes, characters, and the vibrant setting of 19th-century Paris. Experience the Lyric Opera's stunning production of *La Bohème*, a timeless tale of love and loss that features the powerful voices of acclaimed sopranos Ailyn Pérez and Gabriella Reyes, alongside tenor Pene Pati and baritone Will Liverman. Witness the passionate story of young lovers Rodolfo and Mimì as their dreams and realities intertwine, punctuated by Puccini's unforgettable arias. Perfect for both opera enthusiasts and newcomers alike. Don't miss this opportunity to delve into the beauty and emotion of one of opera's most celebrated masterpieces.

*Language: Sung in Italian with projected English titles. Run time: 2 hours 20 minutes, including 1 intermission. Price includes lunch, pre-opera talk, opera ticket, and Parkland shuttle bus transportation. Bus departs from Community Education parking lot. Please note that lunch will be served at high-top tables. If mobility or accessibility is an issue for you, please contact our office with any questions before registering. Suggested dress code: business casual. No refunds after February 28.*

4/3 Thu 7:15 AM–8:30 PM Class ID: 17844  
Location: CE \$379

## **new** Taste of St Louis: A Culinary Day Trip

Discover the rich flavors and vibrant neighborhoods of St. Louis with expert guide Dea Hoover on this delightful day trip. Begin your journey in the Cherokee neighborhood with a traditional Mexican pastry from El Chico's Bakery. Next, head to The Hill, St. Louis's famous Italian district, to sample the city's iconic toasted ravioli, a crispy and savory local favorite. Enjoy a hearty lunch at Favazza's Restaurant, featuring Sicilian chicken paired with pasta, followed by a stop at an authentic Italian market for a taste of cheese and pepperoni—and a goody bag to bring home! Conclude the day in the Tower Grove neighborhood with a mesmerizing ice cream experience at Ices Plain & Fancy, where liquid nitrogen transforms fresh ingredients into a creamy dessert right before your eyes.

*Included: Parkland shuttle bus transportation, all tours, gratuity for guide, samples at all locations listed, and lunch. No refunds after March 14.*

4/11 Fri 6:20 AM–7 PM Class ID: 17843  
Location: CE \$179

## **new** Springfield Historic Homes: A Journey Through Art, Architecture, and History

Join us for an enriching day exploring Springfield's cultural and architectural gems! Our adventure begins with a guided tour of Edwards Place, a beautifully preserved historic home that offers a glimpse into 19th-century life. Next, immerse yourself in the architectural brilliance of Frank Lloyd Wright with a visit to the iconic Dana-Thomas House, a masterpiece of prairie school design. Midday, relax and savor a delicious lunch at one of Springfield's charming local eateries. Our day concludes with a tour of the Vachel Lindsay Home, where you'll learn about the life and works of the celebrated poet and visionary.

*Included: All tours and transportation. Lunch additional. Parkland shuttle bus departs from Community Education parking lot. No refunds after April 7.*

4/23 Wed 8:10 AM–4:45 PM Class ID: 17842  
Location: CE \$79

## **new** St Louis: Riverdance 30 at the Fabulous Fox Theatre

Join us for an exciting day in St. Louis, Missouri, featuring a memorable performance of Riverdance 30—The New Generation at the renowned Fox Theatre! This one-day excursion combines art, culture, and history, promising an experience you won't forget. Our day begins with a visit to the St. Louis History Museum, where you'll explore exhibits dedicated to the city's rich past, including a docent-led talk about the 1904 World's Fair. Discover fascinating stories and artifacts from this pivotal event before enjoying a self-guided tour of the museum's collections. Following our museum tour, we'll head to the Fox Theatre for a delightful pre-show dinner. Savor a special show-themed buffet crafted by award-winning chefs, tailored to set the perfect ambiance for the evening ahead. The highlight of our trip will be the 30th-anniversary performance of Riverdance, a show that has captivated audiences worldwide with its electrifying fusion of Irish and international dance and music. This production celebrates three decades of Riverdance magic with innovative choreography, stunning costumes, and cutting-edge lighting and graphics. Experience the energy and artistry of the new generation of performers who bring fresh life to the timeless spirit of this global sensation.

*Included: Museum tour, dinner, show ticket, and Parkland shuttle. Bus departs from Community Education parking lot. No refunds after April 1. If mobility or accessibility is an issue for you, please contact our office with any questions before registering. Dietary restrictions can be accommodated if we are advised in advance.*

5/3–5/4 Sat 11:30 AM–Sun 1 AM Class ID: 17841  
Location: CE \$279



# computers & technology

## Excel Essentials

Designed for beginners, this course will guide you through creating, modifying, formatting, and printing worksheets. You'll explore essential formulas, functions, and shortcuts to use Microsoft Excel efficiently and confidently.

4/8-4/10 Tue & Thu 1-3 PM Class ID: 18193  
Location: CE \$125

## Excel: Format Like a Pro

Do you want to make your worksheets look professional and engaging as well as easy to read? Learn the ins and outs of formatting as well as simple tips and tricks to quickly clean up your spreadsheets. Learn shortcuts to adjust column and row sizing, apply special number and date formats, use font color, fill cells, add borders effectively, apply cell styles, master format painter, and discover conditional formatting.

4/15 Tue 1-3 PM Class ID: 18194  
Location: CE \$125

## Excel: Function, Function, What's Your Function?

Do you want to get more out of Excel? Have you ever needed to pull specific data out of a spreadsheet? Ever thought to yourself, Isn't there an easier way? Unravel the mystery of functions by exposing the most useful ones in Excel. You will start with logical functions (IF, SUM IF, SUM IFS) to help you create comparisons in your formulas. From there, you will move on to conditional functions (AND, OR) to quickly highlight important information in a spreadsheet. Discover how to find and retrieve data with the new XLOOKUP function and learn how they will assist you in tables of data, along with DSUM, DAVERAGE, and DCOUNT. Learn how to use the SORT, FILTER, and UNIQUE functions as well as date functions like WEEKDAY, NETWORKDAY, EOMONTH, and EDATE.

4/29-5/1 Tue & Thu 9-11 AM Class ID: 18195  
Location: CE \$125

## Excel: PivotTables, Charts, and Dashboards, Oh My!

Learn the essentials of managing data and creating PivotTables in Excel. You will use PivotTables to summarize, sort, count, and chart your data. Learn how to build PivotTables, add calculated fields, and format your layout to make it easy to read. You will also create PivotCharts, slicers, and dashboards to help you visualize your data.

5/13 Tue 1-3 PM Class ID: 18196  
Location: CE \$125

## Excel: Power Query and Power Pivot

Are you struggling to get your data to cooperate? Power Query is here to make your life easier! This powerful Excel feature lets you effortlessly import data from multiple sources and clean, transform, and reshape it to fit your exact needs. In this engaging course, you'll learn how to import, merge, rearrange, and clean your data, and then repeat the process with just one click whenever your data changes. Next, dive into Power Pivot to create a dynamic data model from multiple tables, bring in additional data, build relationships, and create custom calculations to analyze your data effectively.

*Basic knowledge of Pivot Tables is required to make the most of this course.*

5/27 Tue 1-3 PM Class ID: 18197  
Location: CE \$125

## **new** Using AI to Grow Your Business

In today's competitive business environment, combining the power of artificial intelligence (AI) with the reach of social media can help you accelerate growth, enhance customer engagement, and streamline operations. This class is designed for business owners, entrepreneurs, and anyone who wants to harness the latest AI tools and social media strategies to achieve business goals. Gain a clear understanding of how to blend AI technology with social media strategies to optimize your marketing efforts, increase brand awareness, and drive tangible business growth. Whether you're looking to attract new clients, improve engagement, or streamline your marketing processes, you will leave with the tools and techniques to succeed in the digital age.

*Sign up for a free ChatGPT account.*

5/7 Wed 5:30-8:30 PM Class ID: 18192  
Location: CE \$145

## Video Game Design and Developer

Video game designers have next-level creativity and a passion for storytelling. Whether you are an enthusiastic gamer exploring this as a hobby or a design professional looking to expand your career opportunities, discover new and unique ways to approach video game design and development. You will upgrade your ability to conceptualize, design, and develop your games so you can tackle more complex projects where every detail matters. During your video game design training, you will learn programming languages, mathematics skills, game asset creation, modern real-time game engines, and general game development techniques. You will gain skills for creating your own textured and lit real-time 3D scenes. By the end of this course, you will have built three complete games: a 3D arcade game, a first-person adventure, and a custom game of your own. This comprehensive course will challenge you to conjure up intricate worlds and narratives so you can be competitive and thrive in this in-demand industry.

*No prior training or experience is required. This online certificate course is designed and developed by a Unity authorized academic training partner with more than 20 years of professional experience making games and teaching video game development.*

Register at [careertraining.parkland.edu](https://careertraining.parkland.edu).

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration \$2,145



## Python Developer

Python's popularity has steadily increased over the years due to its simplicity, readability, and extensive libraries. According to the TIOBE Index, Python consistently ranks among the top programming languages, making it a valuable skill in today's job market. Its clean syntax and intuitive nature make it an excellent choice for beginners, while its powerful features and vast ecosystem of libraries cater to the needs of experienced developers. Our Python course is perfect for both beginners and experienced programmers who are ready to start or advance Python training. In coding, Python is widely used for web development, data analysis, scientific computing, machine learning, and artificial intelligence. Gain a solid foundation and become equipped with the skills and knowledge needed to build numerous applications, from simple scripts to complex web applications. Explore Python's applications, gain advanced sorting techniques for efficient data organization, and master mathematical operations and data manipulation. You will also understand how to perform complex numerical computations with NumPy, write modular code, write reusable code with object-oriented programming in Python, and more. Register at [careertraining.parkland.edu](https://careertraining.parkland.edu).

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration \$995

## Java Programming

This course introduces the concepts of object-oriented programming using Java 9.0. You will learn the fundamentals of Java programming as you create Java applications. You will create applications that use variables, conditional statements, looping statements, arrays, and functions, and learn to create your own classes and modules. No programming background is required for this course. You can use Java SE 9.0 and NetBeans 9.0 to follow along with the course content.

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration Class ID: 18050 \$499

## A+, Net+, Security+

Elevate your IT career with CompTIA's comprehensive certification series. Gain the essential skills to support modern hybrid workforces, troubleshoot complex issues, and secure networks in an evolving digital landscape. Our courses cover a wide range of topics, including hardware, software, networking, security, and cloud technologies. Become a certified IT professional to open doors to exciting opportunities in the field. Enroll today and take your career to new heights. ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration Class ID: 17894 \$3,464

## Cybersecurity Essentials for the Digital Age \$50

Protecting your digital life doesn't have to be overwhelming. This two-class series will empower you with the knowledge and tools to safeguard your home and personal information in today's increasingly connected world. Instructor Ian Conklin brings more than a decade of professional cybersecurity experience at a Fortune 500 firm. With expertise spanning vulnerability management, social engineering, and security operations, Ian provides real-world insights and actionable strategies to help you navigate the digital landscape with confidence. *Register for both and save!*

### **new** Securing Your Digital Identity

In today's interconnected world, protecting your digital identity is more important than ever. Learn to confidently navigate the online world while safeguarding your personal information. You'll gain a clear understanding of cybersecurity basics, learn how to assess and manage your digital risk, and discover tools to help protect your online presence. The course also covers how to prevent cyberthreats and provides guidance on what to do if you or a loved one becomes a victim. By the end of the session, you'll feel empowered with the knowledge and resources to secure your digital identity.

4/24 Thu 6-8 PM Class ID: 17847  
Location: CE \$29

### **new** Securing Your Home Network

Protecting your home and family in the digital age is more important than ever. Understand the fundamentals of cybersecurity and how to safeguard your home network from cyberthreats. Learn why cybersecurity matters, how to assess and manage your household's digital risk, and how to identify vulnerabilities in your smart home devices. You'll also discover practical steps to protect your household and gain valuable resources to turn to if you or a loved one becomes a victim of cybercrime. You'll leave empowered to create a safer digital environment at home.

5/15 Thu 6-8 PM Class ID: 17840  
Location: CE \$29





# professional development

## business & management

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### **new** Getting Started With QuickBooks for Small Business

This course introduces small business owners to QuickBooks, one of the most widely used accounting software tools. Learn how to set up your QuickBooks account, organize your chart of accounts, and efficiently manage daily transactions such as invoicing, expense tracking, and bank reconciliations. We'll guide you through generating key financial reports, including profit and loss statements and balance sheets, and show you how to use QuickBooks to stay organized and compliant with tax regulations. Whether you're new to QuickBooks or looking to improve your skills, streamline your accounting processes and make better business decisions.

*Class will be held in a computer lab. You are welcome to bring a laptop.*

5/13                      Tue 6–7:30 PM                      Class ID: 18240  
Location: CE                      \$95

### **new** Basic Bookkeeping

This course offers a practical introduction to the fundamentals of bookkeeping for small businesses. You'll learn how to record and categorize financial transactions, manage accounts, and maintain accurate financial records. Topics include understanding debits and credits, working with ledgers, managing income and expenses, and reconciling bank statements. By the end of the class, you'll be able to confidently handle the day-to-day bookkeeping tasks that keep your business's finances organized and compliant. Whether you're new to bookkeeping or looking to refine your skills, discover the essential knowledge to help you stay on top of your business's financial records.

5/15                      Thu 6–7:30 PM                      Class ID: 18239  
Location: CE                      \$95

### **new** Understanding Basic Financial Statements

This course provides a clear and concise introduction to the three key financial statements every small business owner should understand: the balance sheet, income statement, and cash flow statement. You'll learn the purpose of each statement, the key components they include, and how they work together to give you a comprehensive picture of your business's financial health. You'll be able to read, interpret, and use these financial statements to make informed business decisions, track performance, and communicate your financial position to stakeholders. Whether you are new to financial management or just need a refresher, these tools will help you confidently manage your business's finances.

5/27                      Tue 6–7:30 PM                      Class ID: 18241  
Location: CE                      \$95

### Human Resources Basics

Whether you're starting in the field or handling HR responsibilities within your role, this course equips you with the essential knowledge to navigate the multifaceted aspects of human resource management. Join us in this enriching journey to grasp the fundamentals of human resources and acquire the skills necessary to manage people effectively. The first session of the course focuses on the pillars of HR management. You will learn about benefits, compensation structures, employment and labor laws, safety protocols, and risk management strategies. Learners will gain practical insights into compliance, ethical considerations, and best practices through real-world examples. During the second session, you will expand on the functional areas of HR by exploring employee and labor relations; diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI); and training and organizational development. You will develop skills in fostering positive employee relations, creating inclusive workplaces, implementing effective training programs, and understanding the dynamics of organizational development.

5/2–5/9                      Fri 12–2 PM                      Class ID: 18209  
Location: CE                      \$149



## Accounting Strategies \$240

Take control of your small business finances with our three-part Small Business Accounting Series. Whether you're just starting out or looking to sharpen your skills, these 90-minute courses will give you the practical tools to manage your money with confidence. From mastering the basics of accounting and setting up your books to creating effective budgets, managing cash flow, and understanding taxes—this series has you covered. Learn how to make informed financial decisions, stay on top of your tax obligations, and ensure long-term business success. Don't miss this chance to gain essential skills that will help your business thrive. *Register for all three and save!*

### **new** Small Business Accounting Basics

Discover key accounting concepts and practical steps for managing finances in a small business. Learn essential terms like assets, liabilities, equity, revenue, and expenses, and understand the accounting equation, cash vs. accrual methods, and key financial statements (balance sheet, income statement, cash flow statement). We'll also cover setting up an effective accounting system, including choosing the right software, creating a chart of accounts, and best practices for tracking income and expenses. You'll leave with the tools to maintain accurate financial records and manage your business's finances with confidence.

4/22 Tue 6–7:30 PM Class ID: 18259 Location: CE \$95

### **new** Budgeting and Managing Cash Flow

Learn essential strategies for managing cash flow and creating effective budgets to ensure the financial health of your small business. Explore the importance of cash flow management, including how to prepare and use a cash flow forecast, manage receivables and payables, and implement strategies like early payment incentives and inventory control to maintain a positive cash flow. Then focus on budgeting and financial planning. You'll learn how to create a simple, actionable budget, forecast revenues and expenses, and monitor performance against your budget. We'll also discuss how to adjust your budget based on actual results to stay on track with your financial goals.

4/29 Tue 6–7:30 PM Class ID: 18258 Location: CE \$95

### **new** Taxes, Reports, and Decision-Making

Small business owners will discover the essential knowledge for managing tax obligations and leveraging financial reporting for better decision-making. We'll cover the basics of tax responsibilities, including understanding common deductions and credits, key tax filing deadlines, and the importance of maintaining accurate tax records throughout the year. We'll also focus on using financial reports to guide business decisions. Learn how to interpret key performance indicators (KPIs), analyze financial statements, and apply important financial ratios like profit margin and current ratio to assess the health of your business and make informed choices.

5/6 Tue 6–7:30 PM Class ID: 18260 Location: CE \$95



## Human Resources Basics

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5/2-5/9                      Fri 12-2 PM                      Class ID: 18209  
Location: CE                      \$149



## Essential Workplace Skills

Promote critical workplace behaviors and ensure workers are set up for success, regardless of industry. Created in collaboration with employers and industry professionals, the Essential Workplace Skills series provides an intentional and consistent approach to soft skills training. Each workshop includes small-group and individual activities for an interactive learning experience. You will leave with tools and action plans for immediate integration in the workplace.

### **new** Communicating Effectively

Communication drives workplace engagement. Get more strategic about communication as a professional skill. Tune in to your personal communication style and compare it to that of your peers, supervisors, and customers. Learn how to customize your approach and get the best results. Understand what to get right in managing in-person, written, and digital interactions to prevent conflict and promote productivity. Leave with new methods for connecting to others at work and contributing as a high-performing employee.

4/11                      Fri 8:30-11:30 AM                      Class ID: 17776  
Location: CE                      \$60

### **new** Thinking Critically

Boost your value at work by being seen as an effective problem-solver. Explore the skills and strategies behind critical thinking—what it is and how to show it. Practice the ability to adopt multiple perspectives, analyze a variety of data, and tackle complex issues collaboratively. Discover techniques for evaluating solutions and communicating them to key stakeholders. Walk away with confidence that you know how to generate improvements to benefit yourself, your team, and the organization.

6/18                      Wed 8:30-11:30 AM                      Class ID: 17777  
Location: CE                      \$60

### **new** Practicing Professionalism at Work

A true professional is one who adds value to their organization. Cross-check your professionalism against best practices. Learn how to positively influence coworkers and customers, relate to diversity, and adapt to various work environments. Understand how to use feedback to improve performance and be seen as a problem-solver. Leave with new tools that help you contribute to a healthy and positive workplace.

5/14                      Wed 8:30-11:30 AM                      Class ID: 17775  
Location: CE                      \$60

# communication

## Spanish for the Workplace

Spanish for the Workplace is an innovative, self-paced, online occupational Spanish conversation course that seeks to bridge the communication gap between English- and Spanish-speaking supervisors and coworkers.

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration Class ID: 17909 \$174

## Spanish for Health Care

Spanish for Health Care is a self-paced, online occupational Spanish conversation course that seeks to bridge the communication gap between English-speaking health care professionals and Spanish-speaking patients.

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration Class ID: 17867 \$174

## Spanish for Construction

Spanish for Construction is a self-paced, online Spanish course designed for construction workers, contractors, foremen, and anyone who works with Spanish-speaking employees and coworkers in the construction industry.

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration Class ID: 17880 \$174

## **new** Intro to Enneagram: A Journey to Self-Awareness, Emotional Intelligence, and Healthy Relationships

Self-awareness and emotional intelligence are the keys to thriving in both personal and professional settings. The Enneagram, a powerful personality framework, offers deep insights into your strengths, motivations, and triggers. In this course, certified Enneagram coach Aurora Lee will guide you on a transformative journey of self-discovery. Learn how to apply the Enneagram to sharpen your emotional intelligence, strengthen your relationships, and unlock your potential for growth and success. Whether you're seeking to improve your interpersonal connections or enhance your leadership skills, this course provides practical tools to help you show up as your best self in every area of life.

4/11 Fri 3–5 PM Class ID: 18238  
Location: CE \$145

## Professional Grant Writing

Ready to develop the skills and strategies you need to become an integral part of one of the world's fastest-growing professional certification sectors—grant writing? Further the ideals and goals of your career track by learning about the required competencies that can lead to an internationally recognized certification by one of the leading grant professional associations. Did you know there is more to writing grants than finding funding and writing grant proposals? Grant professionals must also learn how to delve into supporting organizational development for grant applicants, coach them in communicating with potential funders, assist with internal and external collaborations with a successful mix of partners, and magically spin out program design language. You will become proficient in the proposal and case statement formats used by foundations and government grantmaking agencies. Learn about the certification process for grant professionals and write the elements of a complete grant application, culminating in a case statement for your capstone assignment with expert instructor feedback on each element. From grant funding trends to matching your course project to the right funding sources, you will be confident in differentiating yourself from a grant writer to a grant professional. You will also be prepared for the Grant Professional Certified (GPC) exam offered by the Grant Professionals Certification Institute (GPCI), which has minimum requirements of education and grant experience based on the level of education obtained. This course has been accepted in GPCI's (Grant Professionals Certification Institute) Accepted Education Program.

Register at [careertraining.parkland.edu](https://careertraining.parkland.edu).

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration \$2,295

## **new** An Overthinker's Guide to Elevator Pitches: Introducing Yourself & Your Brand

Create a targeted and adaptable elevator pitch that showcases your why and carries you across any context.

- Experiment with frameworks to capture your big ideas with just a few words so you can introduce yourself and your personal brand or business with confidence.
- Position yourself as a conscious and caring professional who's available to take on meaningful projects and leverage your work as a vehicle for good.
- Inject your personal values as you connect with real humans about what you do and why it matters.
- Earning a living is essential, but doing work in alignment with the people and causes you care about is even better!

4/16 Wed 1–3 PM Class ID: 18237  
ONLINE \$145

# leadership

## The Emotionally Intelligent Leader Series **\$500**

Discover the transformative power of emotional intelligence (also known as emotional quotient, or EQ) in leadership through this comprehensive series designed for leaders at all levels. This program equips you with essential skills to foster authentic connections, boost employee engagement, and lead with empathy and resilience. Through interactive activities, practical tools, and expert guidance, you will be empowered to elevate your impact, strengthen workplace dynamics, and achieve sustainable success. *Register for all four and save!*

### **new** EQ for Self-Mastery

Learn, understand, and practice the foundations of emotional intelligence: self-awareness, regulation, motivation, empathy, and social skills. You will come away with awareness of your own blocks to emotional intelligence and what your triggers are—along with practical steps to resolve them. You will end with developing active listening, along with increasing your empathy and confidence in the process.

Bonus: Comes with an emotional intelligence assessment.

4/8                      Tue 8:30–11:30 AM                      Class ID: 18215  
Location: CE            \$125

### **new** EQ for Authentic Leadership

Whether you are in charge of the entire team, the cash register, or the laundry, you are a leader! This class will prime you to step into bigger leader shoes. You'll know how to create safe spaces, say the hard things, make better decisions, and leverage more of your strengths. First, you'll identify quick steps to implement to increase growth in the five emotional intelligence disciplines for you and your team. You will come away with tools for implementing psychological safety in conversations, along with a proven framework to initiate and work through difficult conversations. You will understand how to lessen impostor syndrome. Last, you will dive into how you best make decisions and determine your authentic leader blueprint.

6/24                      Tue 8:30–11:30 AM                      Class ID: 18218  
Location: CE            \$125

### **new** EQ for Employee Engagement & Relationships

This course is designed for anyone who wants more than a paycheck from where they spend the majority of their time. You will harness the power of emotional intelligence to create more bandwidth for empathy and trust in relationships. You'll then step back to apply a framework to identify the support system you need to thrive—both at work and at home. And because you are dedicated to helping others—as a parent, manager, caregiver, or community member—you'll look at the growing prevalence of compassion fatigue and how to address it. You'll practice your effective communication skills through a confidence-building game. Last, you will look at a common communication trap called the drama triangle and put all the tools together to assert healthy boundaries.

5/13                      Tue 8:30–11:30 AM                      Class ID: 18217  
Location: CE            \$125

### **new** EQ for Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction

Do you experience stress, overwhelm, or exhaustion? Then this is for you! You'll look at what happens in your body and emotions under stress. Next, you'll build your own definitions of resilience. You'll leverage resilience and emotional intelligence (EQ) to overcome obstacles to build healthy boundaries and recuperative spaces. Last, you will look at the common components, warning signs, and ways to recover from the growing epidemic of burnout.

4/29                      Tue 8:30–11:30 AM                      Class ID: 18216  
Location: CE            \$125



# marketing & sales

## Canva for Beginners

This class is all about giving you hands-on experience and guiding you through the basics of Canva with dedicated instructor support. Learn how to use its essential features to create awesome designs and get step-by-step instruction and coaching so you feel comfortable and confident in Canva. This class is best for users who haven't used Canva or have very limited experience using it. Turn your ideas into amazing visuals with confidence! A Canva Pro account is recommended but not necessary.

To get the most out of this course, sign up for a free Canva account at [canva.com](https://canva.com). You can explore the most features with a Canva Pro account, but a free account will also work.

4/30                      Wed 5:30–8:30 PM                      Class ID: 18189  
Location: CE                      \$145

## Canva Pro: Beyond the Basics

Learn how to effectively use Canva, the leading graphic visual editor, to create visually stunning and impactful designs for your brand or business. You'll walk away with hands-on experience and practical tips as well as a knowledge of design principles you can put to work as you create your next marketing or promotional piece. This class is best for users who have a good grasp of some of the features of Canva but would like to explore everything Canva has to offer in order to take designs to the next level. The class will include instruction on Canva Magic Studio. A Canva Pro account is strongly recommended for this course.

To get the most out of this advanced course, sign up for a Canva Pro account at [canva.com](https://canva.com).

3/26                      Wed 5:30–8:30 PM                      Class ID: 17702  
Location: CE                      \$145  
5/14                      Wed 5:30–8:30 PM                      Class ID: 18190  
Location: CE                      \$145

## Video Editing Made Easy With Canva

Whether you're a teacher aiming to engage students, a business owner creating promotional content, or anyone interested in making quick videos, this course is your gateway to professional-looking productions without the technical hassle or expensive software. Learn how to craft compelling videos with ease using Canva's easy-to-navigate tools. From transitions to animations, you'll gain the skills to create videos that captivate and inspire!

To get the most out of this course, sign up for a free Canva account at [canva.com](https://canva.com). You can explore the most features with a Canva Pro account, but a free account will also work.

6/11                      Wed 5:30–8:30 PM                      Class ID: 18191  
Location: CE                      \$145



# continuing education

## National Green Infrastructure Certification Program

Expand your skills and knowledge of building, inspecting, and maintaining green infrastructure. The National Green Infrastructure Certification Program (NGICP) provides the base-level skill set needed for entry-level workers to properly construct, inspect, and maintain green stormwater infrastructure (GI). Landscaping, city planning, public works, and stormwater management can benefit from the knowledge and skills to ensure GI projects are installed and maintained properly to support long-term performance and a positive impact on communities. Here are some benefits of becoming certified:

- Increase your competitiveness in the job market.
- Provide a pathway to higher-paying positions.
- Demonstrate a commitment to supporting the sustainable performance of GI practices.
- Gain exposure to employers looking to hire skilled GI workers through the NGICP database.

Registration process:

1. You must apply and be approved BEFORE registering for the course. Instructions and NGICP certification application are available online.
2. Once your application is approved, you will receive notification on registration via email.
3. You must attend each session and complete 100% of the online course modules and assignments to be eligible for the certification exam. No makeup sessions are available.
4. Once your training attendance log has been verified by ECI, you will be contacted with instructions to schedule and pay for the exam. Visit the ECI site for details.

6/16–8/1	Thu 12:30–2:30 PM	Class ID: 18186
ONLINE	no class 7/3	\$499

## Food Protection Manager Certification

Previously referred to as the Food Service Sanitation Manager Certification, this program meets the eight-hour course and exam requirements by the Illinois Department of Public Health for the Certified Food Protection Manager Certification. Prepare to take the ServSafe Food Protection Manager Certification Exam and cover the following topics:

- Preventing cross-contamination
- Cleaning and sanitizing
- Safe food preparation
- Receiving and storing food
- Methods of thawing, cooking, cooling, and reheating food
- HACCP (hazard analysis and critical control points)
- Food safety regulations
- The course and exam are administered through ServSafe and are administered by the National Restaurant Association. Exams can be taken in English, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Japanese, and Canadian French. The course is taught in English.

3/31	Mon 8 AM–5 PM	Class ID: 17750
Location: CE	\$229	
5/19	Mon 8 AM–5 PM	Class ID: 17751
Location: CE	\$229	
7/28	Mon 8 AM–5 PM	Class ID: 17752
Location: CE	\$229	

## UAS Certification Exam Prep

Get licensed to fly drones commercially! Take your business to new heights and discover new opportunities through commercial drone use. Drones' safety, efficiency, and cost benefits make them increasingly attractive for a range of business and government functions: marketing, agriculture, real estate, media, special events, and inspections. The Federal Aviation Administration requires drone operators to pass a UAS (unmanned aerial system) aeronautical knowledge test in order to fly drones commercially. Discover what UAS operators need to know about regulations, airspace, weather, and more. For an additional \$175, you may also register to take the FAA certification written exam. Instructions on registering for the FAA exam will be emailed. At that time, exam registration will open on a first-come, first-served basis. Exam registration closes at 4 pm one day before the exam date.

6/9–6/10	Mon 8 AM–5 PM & Tue 8–11 AM	
Class ID: 18713	Location: CE	\$429

# career training

## Introduction to Voiceovers: Getting Started in Voice Acting

“Wow, you have a great voice!” Have you heard that more times than you can count? Do you listen to your favorite audiobooks, commercials, or cartoon characters and think, I could do that? Want to earn income using your talents from the comfort of your home? If so, you could have what it takes to begin working as a professional voiceover artist. Explore the industry with your instructor, a professional voice actor from Voices For All, in a one-on-one video chat setting. Discover current trends in the voiceover industry and how easy and affordable it can be to set up and work from home. Learn about various types of voiceovers and the tools you’ll need for success. Your instructor will take notes as you read a script and offer coaching to improve your delivery. You’ll receive a professional voiceover evaluation later. This is a one-time, 90-minute introductory class. Learn more at [voicesforall.com/ooo](https://voicesforall.com/ooo).

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration \$49

## The Travel Lab: Ultimate Course to Becoming a Travel Agent

Whether you are a newcomer to the travel industry or an experienced agent struggling to find success, this comprehensive course will help you build a thriving travel business. Tuition includes access to course curriculum, videos, twice-monthly live mentoring calls, and travel agency community access for one year. Led by award-winning travel agent Jennifer Wayland, who has more than 25 years of industry experience, this course will guide you through the essential aspects of becoming a successful travel agent. By the end of the course, you’ll have the knowledge and tools to create a turnkey travel business marketing system. This course isn’t just about learning; it’s about empowering you to make your mark in the travel industry.

4/1-6/30 Class ID: 18185 ONLINE \$695

## Certified Paralegal (Voucher Included)

Paralegals play a vital role in the legal profession. These qualified professionals take on a variety of tasks ranging from legal research to drafting legal documents in traditional law office settings and in the corporate, government, and public arenas. Formal training is a critical part of preparing for a career as a paralegal. This course will help you gain the skills you need to enter the paralegal workforce. You will learn how to conduct legal research and legal interviews, perform legal analyses, and more. As you prepare for your paralegal career, you will also receive soft skills training to increase workplace effectiveness. The course concludes with a capstone project. You will first create a complete litigation file that includes a legal analysis brief, an investigative report, client interview checklist, intake memo, complaint, legal research, and interoffice memorandum of law. Then, you will learn how to create a strong resume that encompasses your specialized skill set and showcases the impact you would make for your next employer. Upon completion, you will be prepared to sit for the Certified Paralegal Exam through the National Association of Legal Assistants (NALA) upon eligibility. Review the exam requirements prior to registering for this course. Through a partnership with the National Association of Legal Assistants (NALA), you will also receive membership and access to NALA’s Certified Paralegal (CP) Exam Review courses should you choose to take the NALA CP exam.

*This course offers enrollment with or without a voucher. The voucher covers the cost to sit for the Certified Paralegal Exam upon eligibility. Proctor fees may apply, which are not included.*

Register at [careertraining.parkland.edu](https://careertraining.parkland.edu).

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration \$2,695



## Fiber Optics Technician **\$3,085**

In partnership with BDI DataLynk, we offer three individual courses that teach the necessary skills to build, test, troubleshoot, install, and repair fiber optic networks and prepare you to take the CFOT (Certified Fiber Optics Technician) Exam, the CFOS/T (Certified Fiber Optics Testing & Maintenance Specialist) Exam, and the CFOS/S (Certified Fiber Optics Splicing Specialist) Exam. All training course exams are given and graded on the final day of class. You will receive a certificate of completion upon successful completion of the program. The format of the course involves chapter tests, class discussions, and hands-on activities and exercises.

### Certified Fiber Optics Technician (CFOT)

Recognized by the US Department of Labor and sanctioned by the Fiber Optic Association (FOA), this introductory course is for anyone interested in learning basic fiber optic networking and becoming certified. Through a combination of theory and hands-on activities, you'll be prepared to take the CFOT Exam, given and graded on the final day of class. You will be introduced to industry standards governing fiber to the desk (FTTD), fiber to the home (FTTH), LAN/WAN fiber networks, and basic fusion and mechanical splicing. You will learn how to identify fiber types; recognize various connectors used in fiber installation; and install, terminate, splice, and properly test installed fiber cables. Explore the history and future of fiber optics, fiber optic capabilities, and installation costs. Standards covered are NECA/FOA-301-2004, EIA/TIA 568-B.3, ANSI/TIA/EIA 607-A, and NEC Article 770-50.

3/31-4/2      Mon, Tue 8 AM-5 PM & Wed 8 AM-12 PM      Class ID: 17687      Location: CE      \$1,095

### Certified Fiber Optics Testing & Maintenance Specialist (CFOS/T)

Discover a general, easy-to-understand approach to fiber optics testing standards with little theory and many hands-on activities. Decipher the variety of testing standards, equipment, and technological techniques used in fiber network testing and splicing and how to choose among them. Explore the overall spectrum of testing and maintenance of single-mode and multimode fiber optics networks in this hands-on class that provides an overview and demonstration of various types of equipment used in testing and maintenance. Topics include a detailed study of ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-14(7)A, OTDR fundamentals and uses, OTDR versus insertion loss testing, return loss testing, and attenuation testing using the power source and light meter.

*Prerequisite: Within the preceding 12 months, you MUST have passed the basic fiber optics training or CFOT Exam or renewed your FOA membership before attending. There are no exceptions.*

4/2-4/3      Wed 1-5 PM & Thu 8 AM-5 PM      Class ID: 17688      Location: CE      \$995

### Certified Fiber Optics Specialist in Splicing (CFOS/S)

This eight-hour advanced specialist fiber optic training includes an in-depth presentation explaining the importance of high-performance splicing and details the points necessary for achieving these splices. An overview of OTDR functions and trace understanding is also provided. You will receive training in both fusion and mechanical splicing of either single-mode or multimode fiber optic cables in hands-on activities. Inside or outside plant fiber optic cable types may be used along with fiber optic enclosures and splice trays. You will be responsible for making and testing mechanical and fusion splices. In addition, you will be required to efficiently install spliced fibers into splice trays and enclosures. You will also be required to achieve a splice loss of less than 0.15 dB for all splices and demonstrate proficiency in interpreting splice loss using OTDR splice traces.

*Prerequisite: Within the preceding 12 months, you MUST have passed the basic fiber optics training or CFOT Exam or renewed your FOA membership before attending. There are no exceptions.*

4/4      Fri 8 AM-5 PM      Class ID: 17689      Location: CE      \$995



# transportation & logistics

## Basic Forklift

Be knowledgeable. Be productive. Be in demand. Forklifts are critical to keeping America's inventory in motion and are the workhorses that move goods daily. Nearly every product sold in the United States has been touched by a forklift. Become a fully knowledgeable forklift operator and a vital contributor to our economy. Grey & Associates will show you how to operate a forklift safely and effectively. Become familiar with the controls, daily checks, OSHA regulations, ANSI standards, factors in center of gravity and stability, load capacity, accident statistics, and more.

Prerequisites: You must be able to read, write, speak, and comprehend English. Dress appropriately for the weather and bring your lunch. Wear closed-toe shoes.

4/22	Tue 8 AM–4 PM	Class ID: 18187
Location: CE	\$399	
5/22	Thu 8 AM–4 PM	Class ID: 18188
Location: CE	\$399	

## Truck Driving (CDL)

Train to earn your commercial driver's license and prepare for a career in the trucking industry. More than 300,000 truck driving jobs are now available in the United States. Entry-level truck drivers have the potential to earn \$48,000 to \$72,000 annually. This course is for those with little or no commercial driving experience. Learn and understand everything you need to earn a CDL. Earn your CDL learner's permit after the first week of class as you learn DOT rules, regulations, and logbook requirements. The remaining weeks focus on behind-the-wheel driver training. The total program is 160 hours. Our team works with trucking industry partners to assist you with job placement.

Funding opportunities are available from Support for Workforce Training (SWFT), 217/353-2150, [parkland.edu/SWFT](http://parkland.edu/SWFT), or Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), 217/351-8282.

Classes start every month.

Course fees include your physical, drug screening, permit, and Secretary of State test. Call 877/350-0884 for an appointment. \$5,495

## Construction Skills: Apprenticeship Readiness Program

The Highway Construction Careers Training Program (HCCTP) is a job training program that explores a variety of skilled construction trades. Access high-paying construction jobs with health care and retirement benefits. Imagine yourself behind the powerful machinery that builds infrastructure. Imagine wiring resilient electrical grids. Imagine building a better future. The HCCTP is dedicated to building a diverse workforce. Women and people of color are highly encouraged to apply. Training consists of intensive 12- to 16-week programs that empower you with skills you need to enter the construction industry's Earn While You Learn apprenticeships.

This pre-apprenticeship program covers these areas:

- Math for the trades
- First aid and CPR certifications
- Job readiness
- Tool safety and use
- Introduction to welding
- OSHA-30 certification
- Heavy machine operation

There is no cost for the student. The program is funded by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Program requirements:

- 18 years or older
- High school diploma or GED
- Valid driver's license
- Pass a reading and math assessment
- Pass a drug test prior to acceptance and throughout the program

The first step is to register and attend ONE of the FREE upcoming orientations. Upcoming dates and registration at [parkland.edu/HCCTP](http://parkland.edu/HCCTP).

4/7	Mon 12–1 PM	Class ID: 18324	Location: CE
4/7	Mon 2:30–3:30 PM	Class ID: 18325	Location: CE
4/8	Tue 9–10 AM	Class ID: 18326	Location: CE
4/8	Tue 11 AM–12 PM	Class ID: 18327	Location: CE
5/22	Thu 1–2 PM	Class ID: 18328	Location: CE
5/22	Thu 3–4 PM	Class ID: 18329	Location: CE



## Freight Broker/Agent Training

Start your career as a freight broker or agent. This course provides you with the comprehensive skills needed to build a successful freight brokerage or begin working for a broker. Learn the foundational aspects of brokering shipments—from laws and terminology to valuable tools and software. You will also learn how to set up your freight brokerage business and manage contracts and forms, as well as how to find shippers and do ratings. This combined freight broker and freight agent training will help you gain the knowledge, insight, and direction to stand out in this growing industry. After completing, you will understand the steps of setting up carrier and shipper packets and contracts, marketing and advertising avenues, rate quotes, how to interact with shippers and carriers to keep lines of communication open, and valuable negotiation skills needed as a freight broker or agent.

Register at [careertraining.parkland.edu](https://careertraining.parkland.edu).

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration \$1,895

## Entry-Level Driver Training (ELDT) for Hazardous Materials

Truck drivers with their commercial driver's licenses (CDLs) are in demand in the trucking industry, and the ability to transport hazardous materials is a specialized driver credential that can result in more opportunities and higher pay. This course was created in collaboration with an approved training provider listed on the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) Training Provider Registry (TPR). This hazmat course is for commercial motor vehicle drivers seeking a hazardous materials (H) endorsement to their CDLs. After you complete this course, our system will automatically upload your ELDT records to the US Department of Transportation's (DOT) TPR, and you can take your state's hazmat knowledge test. *This test is usually administered at the state motor vehicle office. There are no refunds for this course. This course is excluded from standard refund policies.*

Register at [careertraining.parkland.edu](https://careertraining.parkland.edu).

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration \$195

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# health

## Basic Life Support (BLS) CPR: Instructor-Led

During this instructor-led hands-on class, you will learn to promptly recognize several life-threatening emergencies, give high-quality chest compressions, deliver appropriate ventilations, and provide early use of an automated external defibrillator (AED). Upon completion, you will be issued an American Heart Association BLS Healthcare Provider Course Completion Card. The BLS course is for healthcare professionals and other personnel who need to know how to perform CPR and other basic cardiovascular life support skills in a variety of in-facility and prehospital settings.

*Book is included. Your CPR card is valid for two years. After completion of your course, watch your email for a notice from the American Heart Association. Classes held at Community Education, \$89 each.*

4/19	Sat 8 AM–12:30 PM	Class ID: 18200
5/12	Mon 1–5:30 PM	Class ID: 18201
6/7	Sat 8 AM–12:30 PM	Class ID: 18202

## Basic Life Support (BLS) CPR: Blended Learning

Learn to promptly recognize several life-threatening emergencies, give high-quality chest compressions, deliver appropriate ventilations, and provide early use of an AED. Upon completion, you will be issued an American Heart Association BLS Healthcare Provider Course Completion Card. During the blended learning course format, complete HeartCode BLS online coursework before attending a live instructor-led hands-on session that focuses on skills practice, team scenarios, and skills testing. The online portion can be completed in one to two hours, and the hands-on skills sessions can be completed in one hour. You must complete HeartCode BLS at [onlineaha.org](http://onlineaha.org), print your certificate of completion, and bring it to class. The fee is an additional \$38 (to be paid online). Your CPR card is valid for two years. After completion of your course, watch your email for a notice from the American Heart Association. Classes held at Community Education, \$89 each.

3/27	Thu 5–6 PM	Class ID: 17791
3/27	Thu 6:30–7:30 PM	Class ID: 17792
4/10	Thu 5:30–6:30 PM	Class ID: 18203
4/10	Thu 7–8 PM	Class ID: 18204
5/21	Wed 5:30 PM–6:30 PM	Class ID: 18205
5/21	Wed 7–8 PM	Class ID: 18206
6/2	Mon 5:30–6:30 PM	Class ID: 18207
6/2	Mon 7–8 PM	Class ID: 18208

## Mental Health First Aid for Adults

One in five American adults experiences a mental health disorder in a year, and almost half of all American adults will experience a mental illness during their lifetime. Mental Health First Aid teaches how to recognize signs of mental health or substance use challenges in adults ages 18 and older, offer and provide initial help, and guide a person toward appropriate care if necessary. Topics covered include anxiety, depression, psychosis, and addictions. You will learn how to address common mental health concerns encountered by adults; reduce stigmas about mental health; learn strategies to help family members, friends, and peers recognize the signs and symptoms of mental health and substance use challenges; and use self-help strategies for staying mentally well.

*This is a blended learning course. You must complete a two-hour self-paced online course before participating in the five-hour instructor-led training in person. Instructions for accessing the online course will be emailed. Registration deadline April 10.*

4/25	Fri 8 AM–1 PM	Class ID: 18198
Location: CE	\$199	

## Behavioral and Psychiatric Health Technician

Behavioral and psychiatric health technicians are excellent listeners who have strong observation skills and a solid understanding of what it takes to treat individuals with behavioral disorders. Here's a snapshot of their daily work:

- Evaluating clients' mental and physical health, addiction, or problematic behavior
- Assessing patients' readiness for treatment
- Developing, recommending, and reviewing treatment goals and plans with clients and their families
- Assisting patients in developing skills and behaviors necessary for recovery from addiction
- Working with clients to identify behaviors or situations that interfere with their recovery
- Teaching clients' family members about addiction

Register online at [careerstep.com/lp/partner/ap/behavioral-psychiatric-health-technicianparkland/](http://careerstep.com/lp/partner/ap/behavioral-psychiatric-health-technicianparkland/).

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration \$4,099

## Medical Billing and Coding

Designed by experts, our online Medical Coding and Billing Professional Program is aligned to the career-focused skills that can help you become a successful medical billing and coding professional. Your program also prepares you to sit for the American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC) Certified Professional Coder (CPC) Exam, which can help you stand out to employers! Additionally, the AAPC's Practicode course and an AAPC membership are included in your program.

**Foundations in HIM:** Gain a thorough understanding of health information management (HIM), how medical coding fits into health care, and various reimbursement methods.

**Biomedical Sciences:** Learn the medical terminology, anatomy, and physiology needed for correctly assigning billing codes to patient procedures and diagnoses.

**Medical Record Coding:** Learn the current medical code sets and get hands-on experience with 3M encoding software as you practice with actual medical records.

Register online at [careerstep.com/lp/partner/ap/medical-coding-billing-for-outpatient-services/parkland/](https://careerstep.com/lp/partner/ap/medical-coding-billing-for-outpatient-services/parkland/).

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration \$3,699

## Pharmacy Technician

Your pharmacy technician training will prepare you to work under the guidance of a pharmacist. You'll be a crucial member of the team and a critical part of keeping the pharmacy running smoothly. A day in your new life may include the following:

Verify prescription information and dosage.

Assist in formulating, labelling, and dispensing medications.

Enter patient and order information into the computer system.

Create and update patient profiles.

Process and submit insurance claims.

Provide quality customer service to patients and health care providers.

You'll likely take on more responsibilities over time, possibly offering flu shots or taking a more active role with patient consultations.

Register online at [careerstep.com/lp/partner/ap/pharmacy-technician-ashp/parkland/](https://careerstep.com/lp/partner/ap/pharmacy-technician-ashp/parkland/).

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration \$3,899

## Phlebotomy Technician

Developed by medical professionals with years of health care experience, our elite online coursework is reverse engineered from the industry's leading validation, the Certified Phlebotomy Technician (CPT) credential from the National Healthcareer Association (NHA). Our program's comprehensive training infuses you with the knowledge and simulation experience you need to pass the test and add the prestigious credential to your resume. Rich and visual course materials include images, learning games, and highly interactive simulations to help you quickly comprehend—and succeed. The goal is to position you—immediately upon completion—to start working in the field of phlebotomy. A 40-hour externship experience is included so you can earn clinical hours and get valuable hands-on experience. Remember that clinical opportunities vary, and we work with a vast network of health care organizations to find a good fit. But we cannot guarantee placement—or employment—in your area.

Register online at [careerstep.com/lp/partner/ap/phlebotomy-technician/parkland/](https://careerstep.com/lp/partner/ap/phlebotomy-technician/parkland/).

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration \$1,899

## Medical Terminology: Root Terms and Word Associations

This course will present a comprehensive introduction and overview of medical terminology in a straightforward and easy manner for students who have no previous background in biology or medicine. You will gain hands-on, practical experience working with word parts and medical terms related to each of the body systems. Every lesson reinforces the content through writing exercises and interaction with medical terminology. Through these interactive activities, you will gain the fundamental knowledge for success in one of the fastest-growing fields in allied health.

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration Class ID: 17997  
\$147

## Mental Health Technician

Mental health technicians are on the frontlines of a battle very few know how to win. They provide valuable guidance in an area of health care that was dismissed and ignored for a long time. And now, after years of neglect, mental health technicians are picking up the pieces. Here's a breakdown of their responsibilities:

- Leading patients in therapeutic and recreational activities
- Observing behavior
- Listening to patient concerns
- Assisting with daily activities like eating and bathing

Register online at [careerstep.com/lp/partner/ap/mental-health-technician/parkland/](https://careerstep.com/lp/partner/ap/mental-health-technician/parkland/).

ONLINE, self-paced; begin upon registration \$3,399



# parkland presents

## theatre

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### **The Wedding Singer**

**April 17, 18, 19, 25, 26, May 2, 3 at 7:30 pm**

**April 20, 27, May 4 at 3 pm**

*Music by Matthew Sklar,*

*Book by Chad Beguelin & Tim Herlihy,*

*Lyrics by Chad Beguelin*

*Directed by Jacob Deters*

*Harold and Jean Miner Theatre*

*Rated Teen for adult language and content*

*Tickets: Adult \$25 | Student/Youth/Senior/Veteran \$18*

*Opening night half price for adult ticket (\$12.50)*

*The Wedding Singer* takes us back to a time when hair was big, greed was good, collars were up, and a wedding singer might just be the coolest guy in the room. Based on the hit Adam Sandler movie, *The Wedding Singer's* sparkling new score does for the '80s what *Hairspray* did for the '60s. Just say yes to the most romantic musical in 20 years.

It's 1985, and rock star wannabe Robbie Hart is New Jersey's favorite wedding singer. He's the life of the party until his own fiancée leaves him at the altar. Shot through the heart, Robbie makes every wedding as disastrous as his own. Enter Julia, a winsome waitress who wins his affection. As luck would have it, Julia is about to be married to a Wall Street shark. Unless Robbie can pull off the performance of a decade, the girl of his dreams will be gone forever.

Purchase tickets at [tickets.parkland.edu](https://tickets.parkland.edu).

For more information about our shows, visit [parkland.edu/theatre](https://parkland.edu/theatre).

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### **Become a Friend of Parkland Theatre**

Your donations help us to continue to provide high-quality productions. For more information, visit [parkland.edu/theatre-howtogive](https://parkland.edu/theatre-howtogive).

## music ensembles

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### **Parkland College Orchestra**

*Dr. Rodney Mueller, Director*

### **Concert Band**

*Dr. Matthew Dixon, Director*

### **Wind Ensemble**

*Dr. Jonathan Beckett, Director*

### **Jazz Ensemble**

*Prof. Kevin Hart, Director*

### **Guitar Ensemble**

*Prof. Kevin Hart, Director*

### **Choir**

*Dr. Cheryl Morganson, Director*

For information on concert dates, visit [parkland.edu/musicensembles](https://parkland.edu/musicensembles).

# William M. Staerkel Planetarium

The William M. Staerkel Planetarium is the second-largest planetarium in Illinois. The Digistar 6 planetarium projection system transforms the 50-foot dome ceiling into an immersive virtual environment.

The planetarium hosts numerous shows, programs, and special events. Call our show hotline at 217/351-2446 or visit [parkland.edu/planetarium](http://parkland.edu/planetarium). Tickets may be bought in person or online at [tickets.parkland.edu](http://tickets.parkland.edu).

- Open weekdays for school and private groups. Virtual shows, sensory-friendly shows, and Spanish-language shows available. Reservations required.
- Public presentations on Friday evenings and Saturday afternoons. Tickets \$7–\$8 sold online or at the door.
- Join the Friends of the Staerkel Planetarium (FOSP) and see FREE shows for a year.
- Teachers, book your field trip with us! Find a complete list of school programs by grade level, plus activities for before or after your visit, including links to the NGSS. Contact us at 217/351-2568 to set up your field trip!
- Book a unique rental space for birthday parties, weddings, and other private events under the stars.
- Join the Galaxy Club: Kids get a stamp card and begin to earn free admission to a show.
- Rent-a-Scope: 10-inch Dobsonian telescopes. \$10/night or \$15/weekend.

## Spring Program Schedule

*Prairie Skies*: Fridays at 7 pm

*Expedition Reef*: Fridays at 8pm and Saturdays at 2pm in May

*Beyond the Sun*: Saturdays in April at 1 pm

*Unveiling the Invisible Universe*: Fridays at 8 pm and Saturdays at 2pm in May

*Coyote Explores the Earth, Moon, and Sun*: Saturdays in May at 1 pm

*Niyah & the Multiverse*: Fridays in June at 8pm

## Holiday Show Schedule

Matinées play on the holiday on April 18. Shows will not be held on May 23 and 24 for Memorial Day.

## Summer Matinées

The planetarium offers matinées for the months of June and July. Bring the kids to presentations at 1 pm and 2 pm on Tuesdays and 10 am and 11 am on Thursdays beginning on June 3. Check our online calendar for a full schedule.

## Sensory-Friendly Matinées

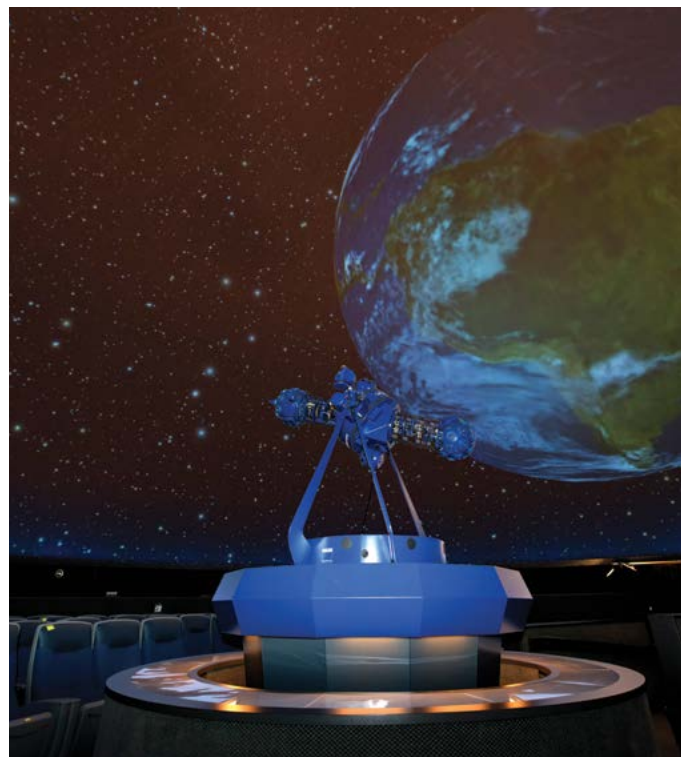
The Staerkel Planetarium offers programs with sensory-friendly settings on May 3. Sensory-friendly shows have “lights up, sound down” settings and a relaxed atmosphere where patrons can come, go, and move around as needed. Sensory-friendly shows are great for young children and guests with autism spectrum disorder and sensory sensitivities.

## See the Real Sky

Join members of the C-U Astronomical Society at their rural observatory for a peek at the real sky. See the stars and planets through the many telescopes on site. All observing events are weather permitting.

**April 5, May 3 and May 31 after sunset**

Location: CUAS Observatory, County Road 700E, south of Monticello Road, southwest of Champaign. Visit [www.cuas.org](http://www.cuas.org) for directions.



# Giertz Gallery

## Domesticated: Paintings by Travis Keller

Monday, February 17–Tuesday, April 1

Reception: Thursday, February 20, 5:30–7:30 pm

Gallery Talk at 6:15 pm by artist

Closed: February 27 Professional Development Day,  
March 17–22 Spring Holiday

Travis Keller's vibrant, large-scale oil paintings of everyday experiences offer a fresh take on domestic life. He interprets his painting as a time-based media, searching for meaning and hope in daily rituals and memories of the everyday. Keller's process of creating his work involves the collection and collage of pictorial references from videos, photographs, drawings, and his own memory, all of which have varying degrees of clarity. Combining the ephemera, he depicts domestic moments at home, such as interacting with a pet or connecting with his partner.

Keller was born in Las Vegas, Nevada. The lights of Sin City lingered in his memory after his family moved to a Bible Belt town in Arkansas. Travis developed his artistic skills early, as he was (and still is) inspired by comic books, cartoons, and movies. He received his BFA from the University of Arkansas in 2015 and recently completed his MFA in painting from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He currently resides in Urbana.

### Gallery Hours:

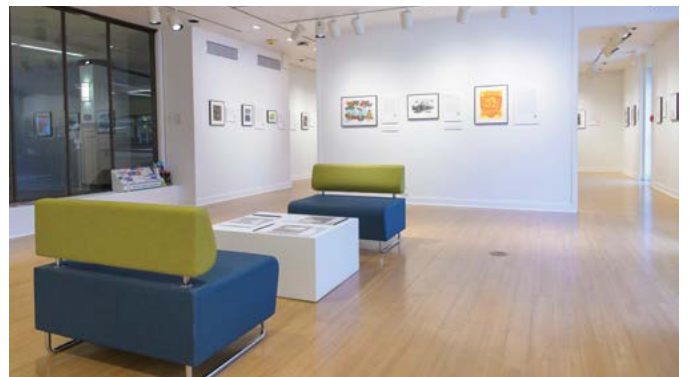
Monday–Wednesday: 10 am–5 pm

Thursday: 10 am–7 pm

Saturday: 12–2 pm

Visit [parkland.edu/gallery](http://parkland.edu/gallery) for additional information, upcoming programming, exhibiting artists, and up-to-date information.

Be sure to join our Facebook and Instagram pages for updates, events, and insights about our exhibitions and programming.

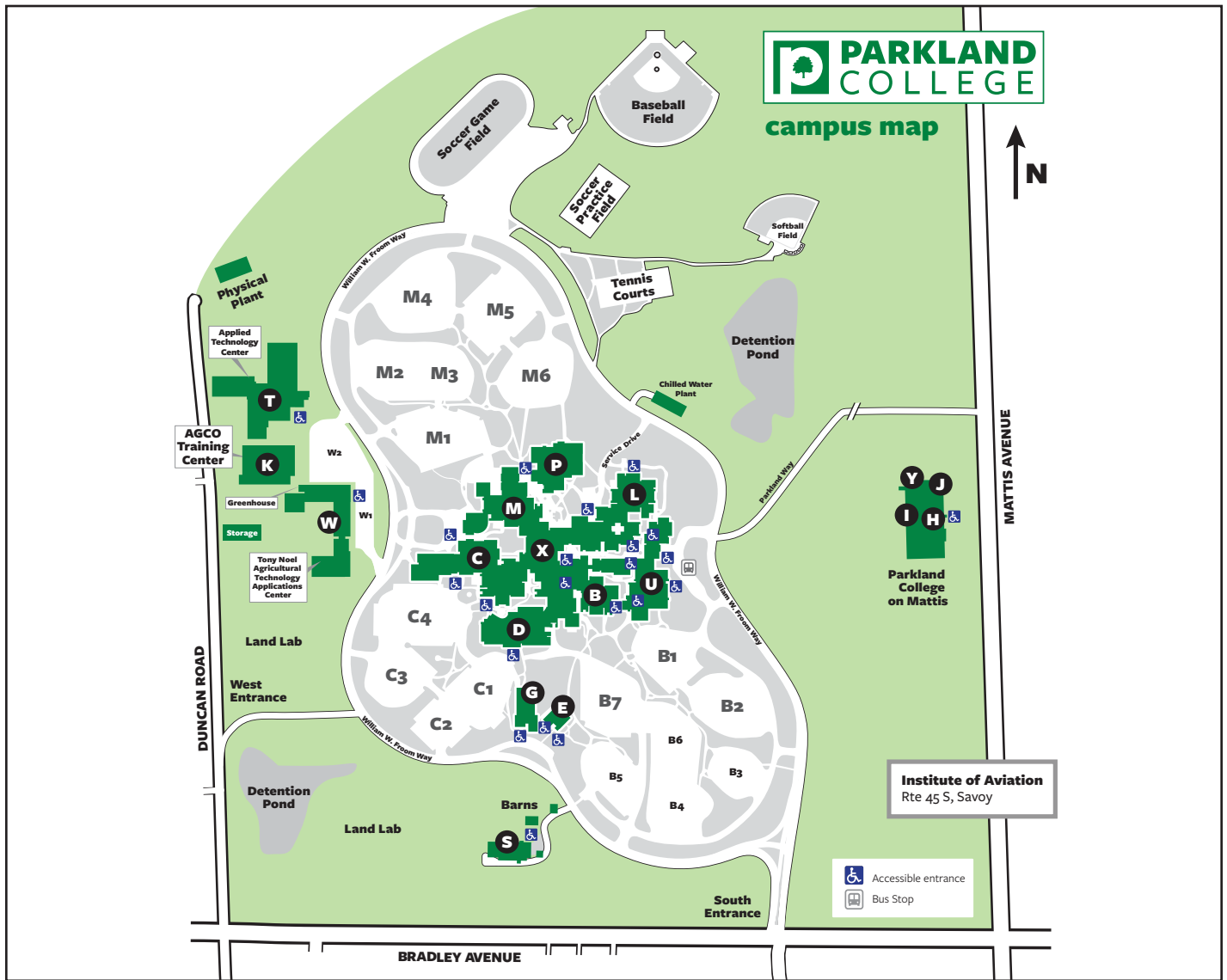


All events in the accessible gallery are free and open to the public. Parkland College is a section 504/ADA-compliant institution.

For accommodations, call 217/353-2338 or email [accessibilityservices@parkland.edu](mailto:accessibilityservices@parkland.edu).

Giertz Gallery acknowledges support from the Illinois Arts Council Agency.

# PARKLAND CAMPUS MAP



- A** Business Office, Public Safety, Human Resources
- B** Business/Computer Science and Technologies Department
- C** Fine and Applied Arts Department, Humanities Department
- D** Adult Education/Literacy Center, Campus Technologies, Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning, Computer Technology Center, Conference Center, Learning Support Division, Photography and Graphic Design, Social Sciences and Human Services Department, Support for Workforce Training (SWFT)
- G** Child Development Center
- K** AGCO Service Technician Training Center
- L** Health Professions Division
- M** Career and Technical Education Division
- P** Donald C. Dodds, Jr. Athletic Center (Athletics, Fitness Center, Gymnasium)
- R** Learning Commons/Library (above X)
- T** Parkhill Applied Technology Center (Agricultural/Engineering Science and Technologies Department)

- U** Student Union (Accessibility Services, Administrative Offices, Admissions and Records, Assessment Center, Bookstore, Cafeteria, Cashier Office, Counseling Services, Dean of Enrollment Management, Dean of Students, Dean of Counseling Services, Early College Services, Financial Aid and Veteran Services, Foundation, Grants and Contracts, Institutional Accountability and Research, Student Life, TRIO/Student Support Services, Wellness Center)
- W** Tony Noel Agricultural Technology Applications Center (Diesel Power Equipment Technology, Prairie Gardens Plant Lab/Greenhouse Complex)
- X** Arts and Sciences Division, College Center, Educational Video Center, Giertz Gallery, Mathematics Department, Natural Sciences Department, PCTV, WPCD

**Parkland College on Mattis** — Community Education (**J**), Construction Education Alliance (**Y**), Health Professions (**H**), Workforce Development (**I**)

**Institute of Aviation** at Willard Airport, Savoy

**Accessibility** Location of mechanical doors: • Entrance X-2 southwest of B wing, between B and X • Southwest entrance to C wing • West entrance to D wing • North entrance to M wing • West entrance to P wing • Door to A wing lobby • East entrances to U wing



# REGISTER NOW!

## How to Register

### 5 Easy Ways to Register

*Many classes have limited seating. Register early!*

#### 1. Online

Use your computer, tablet, or phone to register online, 24 hours a day!

**Go to [parkland.edu/ceRegister](https://parkland.edu/ceRegister)**

#### 2. In Person

Community Education

1315 N. Mattis Ave., Champaign

Mon–Fri, 8 AM–5 PM, except major holidays

**CLOSED: February 27, March 21, and May 26**

#### 3. Mail

Parkland College Community Education

1315 N. Mattis Ave.

Champaign, IL 61821

- Fill out the enclosed enrollment form and include payment (credit/debit card number or enclose check).
- Make check payable to Parkland College.

#### 4. Phone

217/351-2235

#### 5. Fax

217/351-5928

### Payment

- Payment is due at the time of registration.
- Acceptable forms of payment are Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express, check, money order, and cash.
- Payment by your company must be authorized on your account.

### Refunds

- A credit or refund is available if Parkland College cancels a class.
- To cancel your registration before a class starts, please call 217/351-2235.
- Refunds will be issued to students who cancel the class at least one business day prior to the class start date, unless otherwise noted.
- No refunds will be issued for classes canceled on or after the class start date.

### Location

Please note the location of your class. Classes are held at Parkland College, online, and offsite locations.

### Accessibility Statement

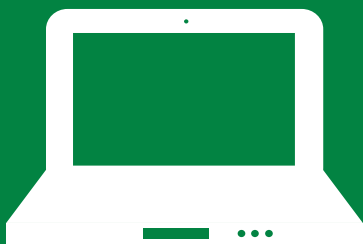
If you believe you have a disability for which you may need an accommodation (i.e. use of assistive technology or other classroom assistance), please contact Accessibility Services, Parkland College, room U260, 217/353-2338 or [accessibility-services@parkland.edu](mailto:accessibility-services@parkland.edu).

### Corporate Clients

Let us customize classes at your location or ours at times that best fit your needs. Contact Dave Webb 217/351-2235 or at [communityeducation@parkland.edu](mailto:communityeducation@parkland.edu).

### 100% Satisfaction Guarantee

If you are not completely satisfied with your class or experience, we will gladly enroll you in a course of equal value. You may also request a full refund by contacting our office within 10 business days of course completion at 217/351-2235.



*Use your computer, tablet, or phone to register online, 24 hours a day:*  
**[parkland.edu/ceRegister](https://parkland.edu/ceRegister)**

*Parkland College ensures equal educational opportunities are offered to all students regardless of race, color, national origin, gender, gender expression, disability, sexual orientation, veteran/Vietnam veteran era, age, or religion, and is Section 504/ADA compliant. For additional information or accommodations, call 217/351-2551.*



## 5 SPECIAL NEEDS/ALLERGY INFORMATION

If any participant has special needs or allergies, please indicate. (Attach list for multiple participants.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Special needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Please understand we ask this information to provide the best service possible. We will limit this information to necessary staff only.

## 6 EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION (REQUIRED for youth programs and trips)

Participant #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## 7 WAIVER AND RELEASE (REQUIRED)

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Parkland College holds the safety of its students in high regard and is committed to conducting Community Education courses in a safe manner. Parkland College continually strives to reduce such risks and insists that all students follow safety rules and instructions that are designed to ensure everyone's safety. However, students must recognize that there is an inherent risk of injury when choosing to participate.

### WARNING OF RISK

Community Education courses are intended to challenge and engage the student. Depending on the particular activity, students must understand that certain inherent risks always exist. Despite careful and proper preparation of instructors, there is still a risk when participating in courses. In this regard, it must be recognized that it is impossible for Parkland College to guarantee absolute safety.

### WAIVER AND RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

I understand that there may be certain risks of physical injury, damage or loss which I and/or my dependents may sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities associated with Parkland College courses offered by Community Education. In registering and participating in these courses, I expressly assume the risk and legal liability, waiving and releasing all claims for risk connected with said courses. Furthermore, I grant Parkland College and PCTV permission to record and/or photograph myself or my dependents for future promotion. In addition, I understand that there will be no refunds for classes canceled due to severe weather conditions, power outages, or situations that may affect the safety of the program or Parkland College.

***I have read and understand the above important information, warning of risk, and waiver and release of all claims and assumption of risk.***

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant's name (PLEASE PRINT)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of adult participant or parent/guardian (if participant is under 18 years old)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

***Participation may be denied if the signature of adult participant or parent/guardian and date are not on this waiver.***

## 8 RETURN TO:

### ONLINE (credit cards only)

[parkland.edu/ceRegister](http://parkland.edu/ceRegister)

### PHONE (credit cards only)

217/351-2235

### FAX (credit cards only)

217/351-5928

### IN PERSON OR BY MAIL

Parkland College Community Education  
1315 N. Mattis Ave., Champaign, IL 61821

### QUESTIONS?

Contact us at **217/351-2235**  
or **[communityeducation@parkland.edu](mailto:communityeducation@parkland.edu)**

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- *Leading EDGE*
- *Beginner Line Dancing*
- *Painting the Still Life*
- *Understanding Medicare*
- *Surviving the Holocaust*





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