

CURRENT COCC STUDENT SUCCESS STRATEGIES

- **Academic Advising:** Required for all certificate- and degree-seeking students. New students participate in an advising workshop and group advising session and must see an advisor prior to their second term of registration. Continuing students must meet with an advisor at least once per year.
- **Admissions Deadline:** Students must submit an admissions application by the Wednesday prior to the start of the term.
- **Bobcat New Student Orientation:** One-day optional orientation offered the Friday before each term. Topics include student success strategies, career exploration, financial aid and student technology accounts.
- **Career Pathways:** COCC offers [career pathways](#) for 14 CTE certificates or degrees.
- **Career Planning Workshops:** COCC's career-planning services include optional one-on-one appointments and groups workshops, as well as an optional career planning (three credits) and job search (one credit) classes.
- **Human Development Classes:** COCC offers optional college success classes, ranging from one to three credits. Topics include college success, note taking, exploring online learning, procrastination and motivation, time management, test taking, values clarification, study strategies and leadership development.
- **Degree Audit System (GradTracks):** COCC has an online degree audit system, allowing students to track progress towards their declared certificate or degree and run "what if" scenarios to see progress towards other options.
- **Financial Aid Workshops:** Regular workshops providing students in-depth information on the federal financial aid process.
- **Getting Started Workshops:** Regular one-hour pre-enrollment workshops to provide prospective students with information on financial aid, admissions, advising registration and orientation.
- **Learning Communities:** COCC offers between two and four linked, cohort and integrated learning communities each year.
- **No Late Registration:** Students may not add a class starting at 7 am of the first class session.
- **Placement Testing:** Required for all students taking credit classes (exceptions for those students who already have an associate, have completed math or writing elsewhere or are taking select HD, MUP, HHP, art, computer skills and foreign language classes).
- **Tutoring:** COCC offers free, optional tutoring on a wide variety of subject areas. Tutoring can happen on a one-on-one or group basis.