

ACCREDITATION

College Accreditation

What Accreditation Means to Students

When you attend an accredited college or university, you can expect:

- **A Quality Education:** Accreditation means that a college, university, institution or program meets standards of quality for faculty, curriculum, administration, library, financial management and student services.
- **Financial Aid Opportunities:** You can only obtain federal financial assistance (<http://www.morainepark.edu/pay-for-college/financial-aid/>) if your college or university has appropriate accreditation from an organization recognized by the United States Department of Education.
- **Credits that Transfer:** If you ever want to transfer your college credits (<http://www.morainepark.edu/academics/transfer-information/>) to continue your education, accreditation is an important factor when a college or university is deciding whether to accept transfer credits from your previous school.

Higher Learning Commission and the Open Pathway

The Higher Learning Commission is an independent corporation that accredits degree-granting post-secondary educational institutions of higher education in the North Central region including 19 states. Institutions that the Commission accredits are evaluated against the Commission's Criteria for Accreditation, a set of standards that institutions must meet to receive and/or maintain accredited status.

Moraine Park Technical College follows a 10-year cycle the Higher Learning Commission refers to as the Open Pathway. During year 10 of the Open Pathway, the Commission conducts a comprehensive evaluation and site visit. The reaffirmation of accreditation will occur in 2023-2024 for Moraine Park Technical College.

More information on the Higher Learning Commission or the Open Pathway can be found at www.hlcommission.org (<https://hlcommission.org>).

We welcome you to review our:

- 2020 Interim Report (<https://libs.morainepark.edu/docs/academic-affairs/Final-interimReport2020.pdf>)
- 2020 Interim Report Feedback (https://libs.morainepark.edu/docs/academic-affairs/Interim-rpt2020_Feedback.pdf)
- 2018 Systems Portfolio (<https://libs.morainepark.edu/docs/academic-affairs/resources/20180604-system-sessment-portfolio.pdf>)

Higher Learning Commission Complaint Process

Learn more about the HLC-accredited institutions complaint process: <https://www.hlcommission.org/Student-Resources/complaints.html> (<http://www.hlcommission.org/Student-Resources/complaints.html>)

Program Accreditations

Individual Moraine Park Technical College programs may secure additional accreditation related to their occupational area as available.

The following programs are accredited or approved by the organizations listed:

Automotive Technician, Automotive Technology

ASE Education Foundation

aseeducationfoundation.org (<https://www.aseeducationfoundation.org/>)

Cosmetology, Cosmetology Apprenticeship

Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services

Emergency Medical Technician – Paramedic

The Emergency Medical Technician – Paramedic program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) (<https://www.caahep.org/>) upon the recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP).

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs

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Seminole, FL 33775

727-210-2350

www.caahep.org (<https://www.caahep.org/>)

To contact the CoAEMSP:

8301 Lakeview Parkway, Suite 111-312

Rowlett, TX 75088

214-703-8445

Fax: 214-703-8992

www.coaemsp.org (<https://www.coaemsp.org>)

Health and Wellness Program

American Council on Exercise (ACE) Education Partner

State of Wisconsin Chiropractic Examining Board

Health Information Technology

Moraine Park's Health Information Technology program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM). (<https://www.cahiim.org/>) Graduates are eligible to take the national certification exam offered by the American Health Information Management Association (<http://www.ahima.org/>) to become Registered Health Information Technicians (RHIT).

Medical Assistant

The Medical Assistant program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) (<https://www.caahep.org/>) upon the recommendation of Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB).

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Medical Laboratory Technician

National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences

NAACLS

5600 N. River Road

Suite 720

Rosemont, IL 60018

773-714-8880

www.naacls.org (<https://www.naacls.org/>)

Upon graduation, students are eligible to sit for the National Board of Certification Exam through the ASCP.

www.caahep.org (<https://www.caahep.org/>)

Nail Technician

Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services

ARC/STSA

19751 East Mainstreet

Suite #339

Parker, CO 80138

303-694-9262

Nursing

Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, Inc (ACEN)

3390 Peachtree Road NE Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA 30326

404-975-5000

<https://www.acenursing.org/>

Wisconsin Board of Nursing

DSPS

P.O. Box 8366

Madison, WI 53708-8366

(608-266-2112)

<https://dsps.wi.gov/pages/BoardsCouncils/Nursing/Default.aspx>

Paramedic Technician

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Radiography

Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology

20 N. Wacker Drive

Suite 2850

Chicago, IL 60606-3182

(312) 704-5300

www.jrcert.org (<https://www.jrcert.org/>)

Respiratory Therapy (CoARC #200444)

Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care

www.coarc.com (<https://www.coarc.com/>)

Substance Use Disorders Counseling

Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services

Surgical Technology

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs

(www.caahep.org (<https://www.caahep.org/>)), upon the recommendation

of the Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology

and Surgical Assisting

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