

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 by the organizations listed:
Automotive Technician, Automotive Technology

ASE Education Foundation
[aseeducationfoundation.org \(https://www.aseeducationfoundation.org/\)](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
9355 – 113th St. N, #7709
Seminole, FL 33775
727-210-2350
[www.caahep.org \(https://www.caahep.org/\)](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 \(https://www.coaemsp.org\)](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://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 \(https://www.naacls.org/\)](https://www.naacls.org)

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

Nail Technician

Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services

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

The Paramedic Technician 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)

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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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