

**Do you have...**

A desire to earn your Associate, Bachelor, or  
Master's Degree?

A demanding schedule with family and/or work?

No time to sit in a traditional classroom?

**Then Empire State College is for you!**

*Learn how we are the SUNY solution for adults*

**Empire State College offers:**

- A wide range of degrees and programs in 12 areas of study that you can customize to meet your needs and goals
- Credit for life experience
- The opportunity to study at your own pace

Learn more, Monday, November 23rd at 3pm

Place: Seneca Alleg. Admin Building 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor &  
at 5:00 p.m. at the Library, Allegany Branch

Contact: **Nancy Toth, Higher Education Program**  
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## SUNY Empire State College is ...

- a respected leader in adult and online learning
- innovative and academically rigorous
- accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education
- an arts and sciences college of the State University of New York
- statewide, with more than 35 locations, so there's a location near you
- an inclusive and diverse academic community

## Our students are ...

- adults from all walks of life who have work, family and other responsibilities
- professionals, managers, skilled workers, artists and others seeking career advancement, as well as personal enrichment
- often enrolled part time because of other life commitments
- more than 20,000 strong
- found across the state, nation and around the globe; enrolled in regional centers, online learning or international programs

## Our faculty ...

- are experts in their fields who specialize in giving students personal attention
- are highly credentialed with most holding doctoral degrees in their academic fields

*Empire State College is dedicated to enabling motivated adults, regardless of geography or life circumstance, to manage and master a rigorous academic program and earn a degree.*

Q What are the ways that I can study at Empire State College?

- through guided independent study, working one-to-one with a faculty mentor at times convenient for the two of you
- through online learning
- through small seminars, study groups, residencies or cross registration at other colleges – whatever suits your interests and lifestyle
- through a combination of all these ways.

Q What degrees are available at Empire State College?

- associate and bachelor's degrees in the liberal arts and sciences and career fields in 12 undergraduate areas of study: The Arts; Business, Management and Economics; Community and Human Services; Cultural Studies; Educational Studies; Historical Studies; Human Development; Interdisciplinary Studies; Labor Studies; Public Affairs; Science, Mathematics and Technology; Social Theory, Social Structure and Change.

- eight master's degree programs: two covering policy studies (Master of Arts in Labor and Policy Studies, Master of Arts in Social Policy); a Master of Arts in Adult Learning; a Master of Arts in Liberal Studies; a Master of Business Administration; a Master of Arts in Community and Economic Development; a Master of Arts in Learning and Emerging Technologies and a Master of Arts in Teaching degree, offered in selected urban areas across the state, enabling students to earn their teacher certification.

- advanced certificate programs in Global Brand Marketing, Health Care Management, Human Resource Management, Nonprofit Management, Project Management, Public History, Veterans Services, and Public Sector Labor and Employment Policy through our School for Graduate Studies. For more information: check our website at [www.esc.edu/Grad](http://www.esc.edu/Grad) or call 800-847-3000.

Q How will my degree benefit me?

Ranking us No. 1 in independent national surveys, many graduates report job promotions and other career advancement as a result of earning an Empire State College degree. Many of our alumni go on to graduate school.

Q How can I receive credit for experiential learning?

The faculty at Empire State College recognize that adults have many opportunities for valuable learning in their everyday lives and work. When this prior learning is college level, it can be identified through an evaluative process designed to determine whether it is worthy of college credit. Many students also earn credit via national standardized examinations.

Q Once I apply, how long will it take to be accepted and enrolled?

If you apply by the priority application deadline, you are considered for the upcoming term. If you apply after the priority application deadline, you will be considered on a space-available basis or for the next term. The priority application deadlines for each term are:

September Term – June 1	January Term – Nov. 1
November Term – Sept. 1	March Term – Jan. 1
May Term – March 1	

Q When can I start my studies?

Students may start their studies after completing an orientation session (in person at a center or unit, or online for Center for Distance Learning students).

The college offers a five-term academic calendar. The calendar features four 15-week terms (that begin in September, November, January and March), and a fifth term, beginning in May, that offers the option of an 8-week or 15-week session. This academic calendar has one goal in mind – to help you, as an Empire State College student, achieve academic success and earn your degree.

Q How long will it take to earn my degree?

A bachelor's degree requires that you complete 128 credits, while an associate degree requires 64 credits. Generally, students complete their degrees in two to five years, studying part time. The amount of time may vary depending on how much credit you transfer and the type of degree program you design.