

How to Apply

Chippewa Valley Technical College begins reviewing applications of current high school students in May of the student’s junior year. The application is short and simple, and takes minimal time to fill out and submit

Application Checklist

- Goto www.cvtc.edu or <https://wtcsystem.edu/colleges>
- Sign up to take the required placement test (if applicable). If your ACT score meets the requirements for your program, you do not need to take further tests. Remember your application will not be considered complete until all program requirements are met, including any required test scores.
- Gather data that you will need to fill out your application including: social security number, name of program, and credit card. If you are not comfortable paying online you may mail in a check.
- Fill out application and be sure to print off, fill out and send any supplemental application requirements, i.e. background check (if needed).
- Make a copy of your completed application for your records.
- Request your transcript through [Xello](#).
- Watch for a letter from the technical college. They will send you a checklist of requirements still needed. Failure to take care of items on this list in the time indicated could inactivate your application.

Important Planning Dates

- August 1UW application opens
- October 2[Wisconsin Education Fair, YMCA Sports Center](#)
- October 2Financial Aid Night
6 pm, Chi-Hi cafeteria
- October 2 & 3[Minnesota National College Fair](#)
- October 23Academic & Career Planning Day (option to tour CVTC)
- January 17End of first semester
- Feb. 1-March 1Chippewa Falls Foundation scholarship application is available (approximate dates)
- May 20Senior Awards Night
7 pm, HS auditorium
- May 4-15AP Testing Window
- June 3Chi-Hi Graduation

Things to Know



Applying to a Technical College



Nuts & Bolts

Technical colleges provide affordable, career-oriented programs, which enable students to begin their careers after only one or two years of college. Typically, class sizes are small, and instructors have worked, or are working, in a related career field. Technical colleges also offer students short-term training in a wide variety of career fields. Programs offered vary greatly and are designed to prepare students for specific careers. Students spend most of their class time in a job-related setting where they receive hands-on training from experienced instructors.

Some of the technical colleges in Wisconsin, including Chippewa Valley Technical College (CVTC), provide a two-year liberal arts degree that transfers to a Wisconsin university. A majority of credits are taken at CVTC prior to transferring full-time to the university. Cost of credits depends on which college is sponsoring the course. While many courses transfer to any Wisconsin university, CVTC has an agreement primarily with UW-Eau Claire, UW-Stout and UW-River Falls. It is our understanding that most or all of the credits within that program will transfer, however it's best to contact the college in which you wish to transfer because they decide what credits are granted.

Admission Requirements

Many technical college programs are open access; meaning no entrance exams or scores are required for admission. However, some programs have GPA and/or ACT score requirements. Additionally, some programs may have specific coursework requirements. For example, health-related programs require the nursing assistant course, criminal background check and CPR. Failure to have met prerequisites will delay your "program ready status." Program requirements for CVTC can be found at: <https://www.cvtc.edu>. Once you create an account, click on Admissions and look for a link under Step 3.

For programs with a waiting list, the student must be "program ready" before they are eligible to be placed on the waiting list. The most up-to-date information can be found at www.cvtc.edu or www.witechcolleges.org.

Xello (formerly Career Cruising)

Xello is a web-based career exploration program and is also the preferred method for requesting transcripts.

<https://login.xello.world> (there is also a link on the Chi-Hi student homepage). Student username and password is the same as student's school login. However, students will need to add CFA-before their username.

ACT Requirement

If admission into your program is dependent on your ACT score, you will need to make sure the college has your score. The ACT was given as part of the state assessment in the spring of your junior year. When you signed up to take the ACT you were able to choose up to four colleges to receive your score. If you did not select the college you are applying to, log on to actstudent.org and make an official request. The cost for this is approximately \$15.00

If your score does not meet the requirement for your program, you may re-test on a National Test Date. The cost is \$52.00. Some students may qualify for a fee waiver. For more information, see your school counselor. For a list of test dates and to register for the ACT go to: www.actstudent.org.

College Reps and Tours

A representative from CVTC visits Chi-Hi most Thursdays from 9:30-11:00. Sign up in Student Services. We strongly advise students to tour campuses before deciding on a college. Most college websites have on-line registration. As part of Chi-Hi's Academic and Career Planning Day, students will have an option to tour to CVTC. Academic and Career Planning Day is scheduled for October 23.