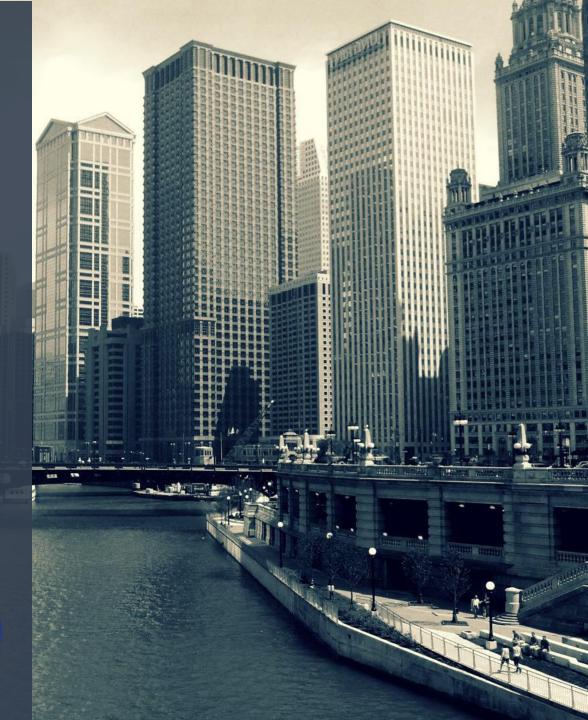


MIDWESTERN CAREER COLLEGE

MISSION

Midwestern Career College's ESL Program's mission is to provide nonnative speakers of English with the English language, academic, and cultural skills that will enable them to further their education in U.S. colleges or universities and/or gain employment in their native countries.







CAMPUS LOCATIONS

CHICAGO CAMPUS

20 N. Wacker Dr. Suite 3800 Chicago IL, 60606

100 S Wacker Dr. LL Chicago IL, 60606





INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT



PATRICIA FIENE
ESL Program Director



MIRANDA MUELLER
Associate Director



JIHOON DOH
International Student Advisor/DSO



ERIKA LITTLES
Student Services Manager



OLIA SWEISS Librarian



AMMY AKARAPUNCHAI
International Admissions Coordinator





SCHOOL HOURS

BUSINESS HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9am - 6pm

Friday-Saturday 9am-4pm

Sunday: Closed

CLASS SCHEDULES

4-DAY/WEEK

Monday - Thursday 9:30 - 2:30

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ACADEMICS

Midwestern Career College's ESL Program' is academically focused and geared to get you ready for speaking English inside and outside the classroom.

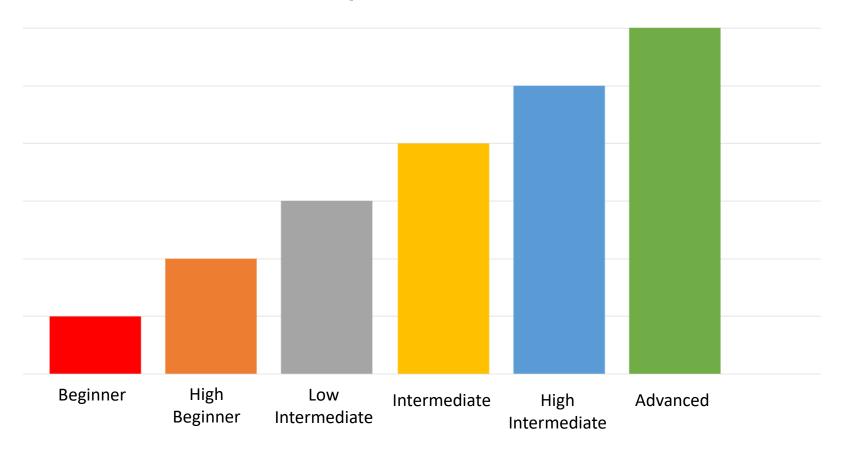








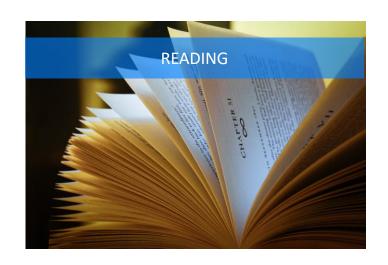
LEVEL PROGRESSION: 11 weeks / 1 level per term



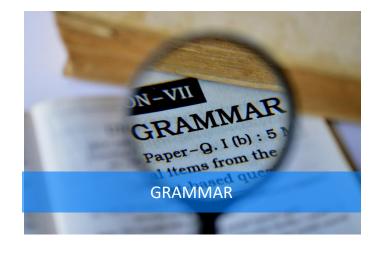


THE STORY

SUBJECT AREA CLASSES











THE COMMUNICATIVE APPROACH



Learn English by communicating!

Requires your active participation in all skill classes.



ATTENDANCE

THE RULES

- Students must go to class 18 hours a week
- Come to class ON TIME.
- Do not take long breaks in the middle of classes or leave early.
- There are no excused absences.
- If you cannot attend class, email your instructor.
- If you are out of class for more than 21 days,
 you will be withdrawn from the program.



SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS

WHAT IS IT?

- To pass to the next level, you must receive a final grade of a C (70%) or higher.
- If you fail a class, you will be on SAP
 Warning status. MCC highly recommends
 that you get help from MCC's free ESL
 tutor.
- If you fail a class twice, you will be withdrawn from the program.





ACADEMIC RESOURCES



Laura Vinzant TutorAsk Laura about...

- Tutoring services
- Academic advice



Erika Littles
Student Services Manager
Ask Erika about...

- Academic options after finishing the ESL program.
- Associate programs at MCC
- Applying to other colleges/universities

TUTORING



Tutoring Services

- To support our ESL students and ensure your success, MCC provides free tutoring services.
- These sessions take place in the library Monday Thursday from:
 - ➤ 11:45 AM 12:15 PM
 - ≥ 2:30 PM 3:30 PM
- Request a tutoring session with the Tutoring Request Form. Copies are available from the Librarian, the ESL Program Director, International Student Advisor/DSO, and the Registrar.
- OR email <u>esltutor@mccollege.edu</u>



ACADEMIC ADVISING



Academic Advising at MCC

- Student Services Department serves all students at MCC.
- The Student Services Manager provides academic advising.
- As a part of MCC's ESL program, you can schedule an appointment with Student Services. You can discuss your academic future in the U.S. after you complete the ESL program.
- Student Services can help by researching colleges/universities inside and outside the Chicago area.
- To make an appointment please email Student Services at studentservices@mccollege.edu.



MIDWESTERN CAREER COLLEGE

Library

MCC provides resources for ESL students, including textbooks, extra books to help you study, and online resources such as games, videos, worksheets, and more!







GETTING YOUR BOOKS

WHEN DO YOU GET THEM?

The school Librarian will distribute your books on the first day of class.

CAN I EXCHANGE MY BOOKS **FOR FREE** IF I CHANGE LEVELS?

- Yes! But only if there is NO writing in your book.
- If you write in your book or use the online workbook code and you want to change levels, you may have to pay for your next book.
- If you are concerned that you are not in the correct level, do NOT write in your book.



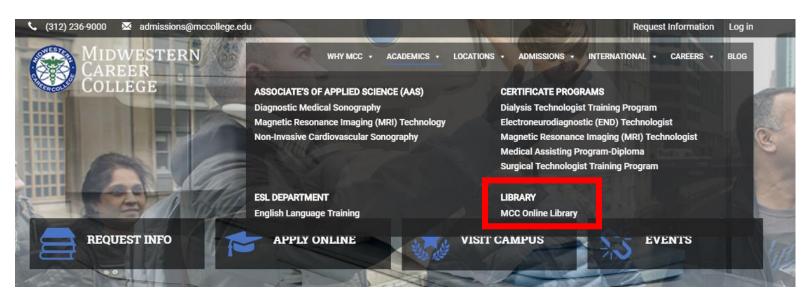




MCC ONLINE LIBRARY: ESL WEB-BASED TOOLS

HOW TO ACCESS:

- 1. Go to mccollege.edu
- 2. Click Academics
- Click MCC Online Library





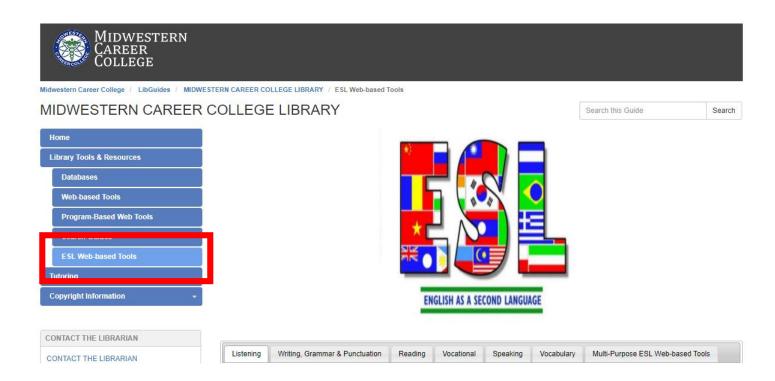


MCC ONLINE LIBRARY: ESL WEB-BASED TOOLS

HOW TO ACCESS:

- 4. Library Tools and Resources
- 5. ESL Web-Based Tools

Or access via this web address: http://mccollege.libguides.com/home/eslwe btools



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Activities & Social Media

We offer several activities for our students at Midwestern Career College!







MCC INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES









STREET COLLEGE

SOCIAL MEDIA





Like us on social media to get the latest news from MCC!

@MIDWESTERN CAREER COLLEGE INTERNATIONAL

Learn about:

- On-Campus Employment
 Opportunities
- School Events
- Activities





MEET YOUR CLASSMATES!



Take a break!

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NEED TO KNOW

There are a few things you need to know to get started in Chicago. We're here to help!

Medical Insurance
Housing
Transportation
Emergency Numbers
US Laws





MEDICAL CENTERS IN THE US

OVERVIEW OFTHEUS HEALTHCARE SYSTEM





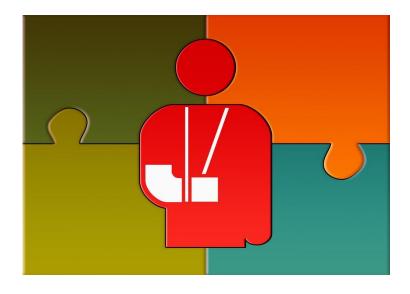
MEDICAL INSURANCE

MCC HIGHLY RECOMMENDS THAT YOU PURCHASE MEDICAL INSURANCE

PSI Health Insurance https://www.psiservice.com/

ISO Student Health Insurance https://www.isoa.org/

iNext International Health Insurance https://www.inext.com/



Note: MCC does NOT provide students with medical insurance.

Ask Jihoon for more information!



MEDICAL CENTERS IN THE US

WALK-IN CLINIC

- Minor illnesses (Throat, Eye, Ear pain and more)
- Vaccinations (Influenza, Hepatitis A & B and more)

URGENT CARE

 Non life threatening emergencies (Minor fractures in fingers or toes, Skin rashes and infections, Vomiting, diarrhea, or dehydration, Cuts that don't involve much blood but might need stitches)

HOSPITAL OR EMERGENCY ROOM

 All life threatening medical conditions (Broken bone, serious head, neck, or back injury, etc.)







NEARBY MEDICAL CENTERS

HOSPITAL (EMERGENCY ROOM)

Northwestern Memorial Hospital 251 E Huron St. Chicago, IL 60611 (312) 926-2000

URGENT CARE

Physician's Immediate Care 600 W Adams St Chicago, IL 60661 (312) 506-0900



PHARMACY

Walgreens 79 W Monroe St Chicago, IL 60603 (800) 323-8622 CVS

208 W Washington St Chicago, IL 60606 (312)323-8622

CLINIC

Walgreens79 W Monroe St
Chicago, IL 60603
(800) 323-8622





FIND HOUSNIG

HOW TO FIND HOUSING

- Look for an apartment on Housing websites.
- Contact the owner via email or by phone.
- Visit the apartment with a friend.
- Ask questions about price, safety, utilities.
- Sign the contract.



Note: MCC does NOT provide students with housing.



HOUSING TIPS

RENTING AN APARTMENT

- When you rent an apartment, you may have to pay a(n):
 - Application Fee
 - Security Deposit
 - Move-in Fee

Make sure everything is in writing!

VISITING APARTMENTS

- Always visit apartments with a friend
- If you feel uncomfortable talking to the owner, you probably do not want to live there
- If you immediately do not like the neighborhood, you do NOT have to see the apartment









HOUSING

GENERAL HOUSING & RELOCATION SERVICES

ApartmentSearch.com

https://www.apartmentsearch.com/

WellStay

https://www.wellstayusa.com/our-mission

Apartment Finder

https://www.apartmentfinder.com

Apartments.com

https://www.apartments.com/

Ask Jihoon for more information!

FURNITURE RENTAL SERVICES

CORT Furniture

https://www.cort.com/student



information!

PHONE PLANS

HOW TO GET A US PHONE NUMBER

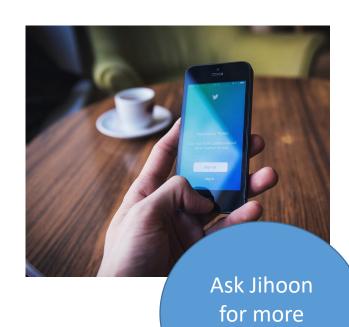
If you haven't purchased a U.S phone yet, you can get a SIM card from Jihoon's Office and get a U.S Phone number.

No need to buy a new phone!

PROVIDER

campusSIMs

https://campussims.com/us/







DRIVING

HOW TO GET A DRIVER'S LICENSE?

You can apply for a driver's license at your local Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) office.

The office usually requires,

- Active I-20
- Passport
- Proof of residence
- A letter from DSO

Nearby Office

Chicago Central Illinois Secretary of State Facility 100 W Randolph St, Chicago, IL 60601 (312) 793-1010





TRANSPORTATION



UBER







GETTING YOUR VENTRA CARD FOR THE CTA

Get your Ventra Card at CVS, Walgreens, or the train station!

NOTE: MCC does not offer a U-Pass



Register your card at www.ventrachicago.com



Walgreens



PARKING AT MCC

PARKING

Washington-Wells Self Park 230 W. Washington St.

\$14 for 12 hours, enter garage before 12:30pm \$7 for 12 hours, enter after 12:30pm \$6 for 12 hours, enter garage after 3pm Weekends: \$8 for 12 hours

Washington Franklin 217 W. Washington St.

\$15 for 12 hours, enter garage before 12:30pm \$8 for 12 hours, enter garage after 12:30pm \$6 for 12 hours, enter garage after 3pm Weekends: \$8 for 12 hours Pay with the iParkit app, or get your parking ticket validated (stamped) at the front desk!





EMERGENCY NUMBERS

CALL 911 IF...

- You are seriously hurt
- You are in immediate danger
- There is a fire
- You see a serious fight
- You see a situation where you or someone else could get hurt

CALL 311 OR THE LOCAL POLICE STATION IF

- Your passport was stolen
- Your wallet was stolen
- Someone broke into your house when you were gone
- Other non-immediate concerns

EMERGENCY CALL 911







POLICE STATIONS

NEAREST POLICE STATION

Chicago Police Department 1160 N Larrabee St Chicago, IL 60610 (312) 742-5870





SMOKING

RULES

- You must be 21 years of age or older to purchase cigarettes in Chicago
- You may NOT smoke or vape indoors
- You MUST be at least 15 feet away from a building to smoke





DRUGS & ALCOHOL

ALCOHOL

- You must be 21 years of age or older to drink alcohol (beer, wine, or liquor)
- It is ILLEGAL to buy alcohol for a minor
- It is ILLEGAL to drink alcohol in public (on the street, on the beach, etc.)

DRUGS

- Marijuana and all other recreational drugs are ILLEGAL in Illinois.
- If you are found in possession of such items, you can face criminal charges and will be withdrawn from school.





SEXUAL ASSAULT AND HARASSMENT

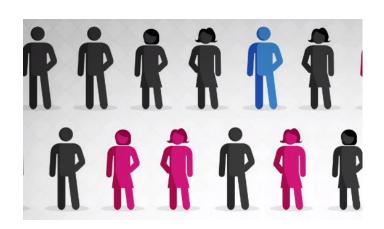
WHAT IS SEXUAL ASSAULT?

 Any sexual activity without the consent of both parties.

WHAT IS CONSENT?

A consensual sexual act or behavior requires that individuals:

- Agree to sexual activity freely and knowingly.
- Do not use threat, intimidation, or coercion.
- Are not temporarily or permanently impaired by drugs, alcohol, or any other physical/mental impairment.
- Are not unconscious or asleep.
- Are not under the age of consent (18 years old).



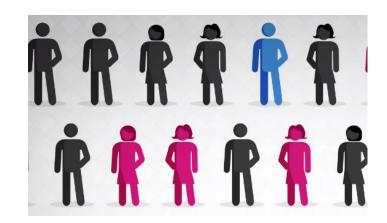


SEXUAL ASSAULT AND HARASSMENT

WHO TO CONTACT?

If you have questions or want to talk to someone about sexual assault and harassment, contact:

- MCC's Confidential Counselor:
 Olia Sweiss
 osweiss@mccollege.edu
- MCC's Title IX Coordinator
 Olga Gusak
 ogusak@mccollege.edu





MCC FACILITIES POLICY

OUR POLICY

- NO cellphones in class!
- Beverages with a lid are OK in the classrooms, food is not allowed
- Keep the cafeteria and your classroom clean
- Do NOT leave your food in the fridge
- Clean the sink when you are finished
- Have a positive attitude!



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F-1 Regulations

Midwestern Career College's Student Services/DSO, Jihoon Doh, can help you with most of your visa needs and concerns.







F-1 STATUS

WHAT IS F-1 STATUS?

- F-1 status is a nonimmigrant visa status for students eligible to enroll in academic programs in the United States
- All F students that study in the United States and their dependents need a Form I-20





I-20

WHAT IS AN I-20?

- There are 2 kinds of I-20: Initial and Active
- An I-20 is a legal document
- It is a certificate of eligibility for F-1 student status.
- You must sign the I-20 and have an active I-20.
- Always keep your I-20 safe.





MAINTAINING F-1 STATUS

TO KEEP YOUR F-1 STATUS, YOU MUST:

- Maintain a Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)
- Keep a valid passport at all times
 - ✓ You can renew your passport at your country's embassy in the US
- Register for each term (tuition payment, and attendance)
- Talk to your DSO before you transfer, withdraw, change your current status, or travel outside the US



Note: Being an F-1 student means you can only work part-time on campus.



WORKING IN THE US

F-1 STUDENTS CAN LEGALLY WORK ONLY IN THE FOLLOWING CASES:

- On Campus Employment (Part Time)
- Off Campus Employment (Economic Hardship)

The U.S. government takes illegal employment very seriously.

Illegal employment can lead to a termination of student's F-1 status





UPDATING INFORMATION

UPDATE YOUR DSO WITH ANY CHANGE TO YOUR:

- Name
- Address (within 10 days of change)
- Phone number / Email address
- Legal status (changed to permanent resident or other visa categories including E2, H1B, etc.)

Tell your DSO about any and all changes to your personal information.



If there are any issues that result because you did not update your information with the DSO, MCC is not responsible for these complications.



TRAVEL

TALK TO YOUR DSO

If you are traveling outside the US, you must obtain the DSO's signature on your active I-20. This allows you to return to the US.

To get the signature you must submit:

- A copy of your valid passport
- A copy of your valid visa
- Completed travel request form
- Proof of travel (paper ticket or e-ticket)

Note: You can NOT travel during the term, except for emergencies.







GRACE PERIOD

PROGRAM COMPLETION

When you successfully complete your program, you are eligible for a 60 day grace period. During this grace period, you can:

- Travel in the US and prepare for departure
- Apply for a change of status
- Transfer out to another school



60 days after you complete the program, you are considered to be out of status.





DON'T FORGET!

CLASS START DATE:

Monday, January 22nd

STUDENT ID CARDS

Get your picture taken at the front desk.

Pick up your ID at the front desk the first week of classes!



CHECK YOUR EMAIL REGULARLY!

