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What are some good community colleges in Chicago?

I'm looking to do two years of community college and then transfer to a 4 year university. What are some good community colleges I should look into? Preferably ones in the city or close to it.



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Look up City Colleges of Chicago (CCC)

Depending where you live, there's bound to be a Community College near you. Whether it's Truman, Washington, Wright, etc. Also what do you plan on majoring in? One community College can have a better plan/education than the other. It varies from one to the other.

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Oakton Community College. In Skokie and Des Plaines. So worth it for me

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College of Dupage is good. Took summer classes there and thought the profs were more engaged than some of my university professors.

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Oakton. It's a quick drive down the freeway just outside of the city.

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Wright College on the NW side. I did the same thing.

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There are lots! Look into City Colleges of Chicago they have classes available at several locations with a few downtown like Harold Washington .

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**mcman7890** • 6y ago

If you're out in the suburbs, Harper College is really good. Depending on your major also have some great collaborations with 4 year universities for what you're planning on doing.

<https://www.harpercollege.edu/transfer/university/index.php>

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I did this; saved a ton of money on gen eds and boosted my GPA to a 4.0 so when I transferred I qualified for a bunch of grants, scholarships, and tuition waivers

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Not everyone is ready for a 4-year university. So with community college, you can "dip your toe" into higher education, and if you're successful, you can transfer and complete a bachelor's degree. It's really a smart economical choice and should be promoted more.

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If you're moving to the city, the city colleges are pretty good. I did a year at Malcolm X last year and really enjoyed it. They recently rebuilt it and there are plenty of modern facilities going on. Plus the student body is pretty diverse and welcoming.

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Oakton is one of the top community colleges in the nation let alone the chicagoland area. I've heard nothing but good things from people who have gone there. Also, they have a beautiful campus and a lot of different resources for student use.

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I went to Triton in River Grove. Close enough to the city to go there on weekends or at night for stuff but living in the suburbs saved me money.

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I'm currently working at Loyola University after finishing 2 years previously at a different 4 year university.

My advice: look into working a full-time position at a 4-year university, too. After one year of working here at Loyola, I will be able to get back to school (at Loyola) for virtually free because of the employee benefits. I remember someone mentioning UIC also does something like this with their employees, but they can utilize the employee benefit right away.

I definitely wish I had known this existed when I originally started school at my first 4 year university. Now, I'm on track to finish with a degree and basically zero debt from Loyola in 3 years, and I'm so excited about it!

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That sounds like a good option. Whats your job? Is there any benefit to working part time?

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I highly recommend City Colleges of Chicago. They have a bunch of campus locations including one downtown (the Harold Washington campus) and they even have guaranteed admission plans to go directly into UIC or UIUC.

I transferred from CCC to UIC this fall, but honestly I miss CCC for a lot of reasons. It's a great community college that really wants to see people succeed, and a very good mix of people from all over Chicago. It's a little shabby and dirty, but fully accredited and cheap as fuck.

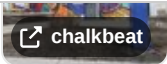
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