



**District  
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# COLLEGE INFORMATION NIGHT

**Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2011**  
**Plainfield High School – Central Campus**  
**Auditorium (English)**  
**Main Cafeteria (Spanish)**

**This seminar is sponsored by the Student Services Departments of all  
District #202 high schools.**

# WELCOME FROM YOUR STUDENT SERVICES DEPARTMENTS!

- **Our purpose is to provide an overview of the college admissions process for a State University, Private University, and a Junior College. Information from the evening will be posted on the following websites of the District. Please look under Student Services.**
- **Plainfield Community Consolidated School District #202District #202: [www.psd202.org](http://www.psd202.org)**
  - PHS-CC [www.psd202.org/phs](http://www.psd202.org/phs)**
  - PSHS [www.psd202.org/pshs](http://www.psd202.org/pshs)**
  - PNHS [www.psd202.org/pnhs](http://www.psd202.org/pnhs)**
  - PEHS [www.psd202.org/pehs](http://www.psd202.org/pehs)**
- **Counselor Committee for this presentation:**
  - **Mrs. Pauline Gatses, Plainfield East High School**
  - **Mr. Len Egan, Plainfield South High School**
  - **Mrs. Jean Slott, Plainfield High School – Central Campus**
  - **Mrs. Suzanne Smiley, Plainfield North High School**
- **A special thank you to counselors Mrs. Jessica Guzman and Mrs. Maria Hernandez for their additional help with the program.**

# Tonight's Speakers

Mr. Mark Sorto  
*Northern Illinois University*

Ms. Julie Marlett  
*University of St. Francis*

Ms. Susan Callans  
*Joliet Junior College*





**Mr. Mark Sorto**  
**Admissions Counselor**  
**Northern Illinois University**

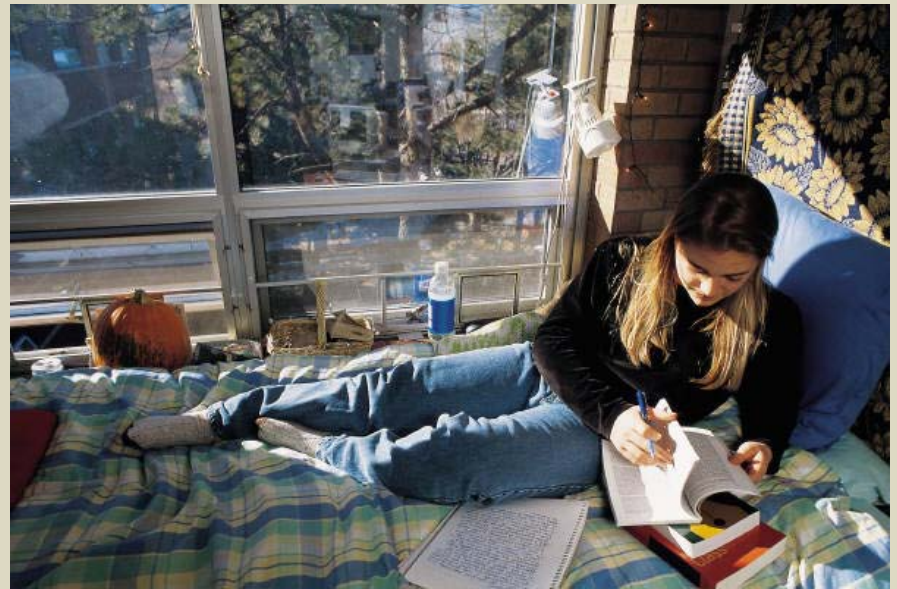


# Twelve State Universities

- Everything available to find the right fit!

- Locations, Facilities

- Students, Faculty



# University Locations

- All points of the compass
- 90 percent stay within 500 miles
- 65 percent stay within 100 miles



# Size of Enrollment

- Five over 20,000
- Seven between 5,000 and 15,000



# Enrollment Over 20,000

- Northern Illinois University, DeKalb...23,850
- Illinois State University, Normal...20,762
- Southern Illinois University, Carbondale...20,037
- University of Illinois, Chicago...27,309
- University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign...41,949

## Enrollment Between 5,000 -15,000

- Chicago State University, Chicago...7,362
- Eastern Illinois University, Charleston...11,630
- Governors State University, University Park...5,598
- Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago...11,743
- Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville...14,133
- University of Illinois, Springfield...5,174
- Western Illinois University, Macomb...10,487



# Wide Range of Programs

**MUSIC**

**ENGINEERING**

**Business**

**ARCHITECTURE**

**LAW**

**Nursing**

# Quality Programs

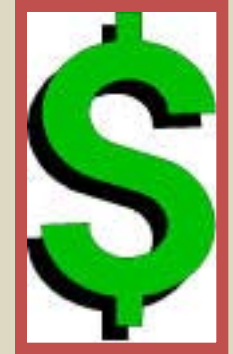


# Activities

- Campus Newspapers
- Theatre / Cultural Events
- Hospitals / Police Force
- Residential Experience
- City within a city
- Athletics
- Greek Life
- Clubs and Organizations

# NIU Expenses

Tuition and Fees	\$11,324
Room and Board	\$9,346
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Annual Budget	\$20,580



*Other Expenses to consider when budgeting  
for a college education:*

Books/Supplies  
Transportation  
Medical Insurance  
Personal/Miscellaneous



APPLY EARLY  
PRIORITY APPLICATION  
FILING DATES

NOVEMBER 1  
OR  
NOVEMBER 15



# Entrance Requirements

- Test Scores: (ACT or SAT)
- GPA
- Class Rank
- High School Subject Pattern
- Selectivity:  
Very Selective, Moderately Selective
- English (4)
- Mathematics (2-3)
- Natural Science (2-3)
- Social Science (2-3)
- Electives from Art, Music, Theatre, Foreign Language
- Vocational Education

# Financial Aid

- 70 Percent Receive Financial Aid
- Apply Early:  
March 1 and May 1 =  
Deadlines/Priority Dates
- FAFSA and other Required Documents



# Transfer Possibilities

All State Universities publish course articulation guides for Joliet Junior College



# Your Campus Visit

- A Real Test Drive
- General Visits



Weekdays and Saturdays

- Open House Programs

# Do's and Don'ts

## from the admissions office at Harvard

- Don'ts...
  - ...take easy courses to get good grades
  - ...rely on crash courses to prep for SAT
  - ...go for quantity over quality
  - ...choose a college for prestige alone
  - ...be afraid of making mistakes

# Private Colleges & Universities



**Ms. Julie Marlatt**  
**Director of Admissions**  
**University of St. Francis**

# How many private colleges are there in Illinois ?

- 59 private not-for-profit colleges in Illinois
- Largest – DePaul University: 16,199 students
- Smallest – Shimer College: 104 students
- Oldest – Illinois Wesleyan University: Est. 1850
- Newest – Lewis University: Est. 1932
- Highest priced – University of Chicago \$38,492
- Lowest priced – Blackburn College \$13,600
- Faith based and non-denominational



# Greatest Myths about Small Colleges & Universities

- “I couldn’t possibly be happy attending a college smaller than my high school.”
- “There won’t be as much to do at a small school.”
- “I won’t meet as many people at a small school.”
- “If I don’t know what I want to study, I need a college with a million different majors.”
- “To be competitive, I need to graduate from a ‘big name’ university.”
- “I can’t afford to attend a private school.”

# What are some advantages in attending a smaller college?

- Academics
  - Small Student: Teacher Ratio
  - Small Class Sizes
  - Classes Taught by Professors – Not Teaching Assistants
- Athletics
  - National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA)

# Affordability

- Tuition: \$25,932
- Room & Board: \$8,462 (Double)
- \$12.36 million in scholarships and aid
- Average gift aid package: \$18,040

***Average aid package makes the University of St. Francis comparable in cost to a state university!***

# Visit Opportunities

- Visit Day: Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Preview Day: Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>
- Nursing Visit Day: Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>
- Mass Communication Event: Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Visual & Performing Arts Event: Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>
  
- Personal Campus Visit Opportunities
  
- Other visit opportunities: Chicago National College Fair, Monday, October 10th



# Plainfield Central College Night

## September 27, 2011



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# History

- Founded in 1901
- We have a proud history as the ***first*** public community college in the nation
- Initially enrollment was 6 students
- Serve 7 Counties



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# Joliet Junior College

Want your college  
to be **CONVENIENT**  
and **ACCESSIBLE?**



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# Campus Locations

## **Main Campus**

1215 Houbolt Road  
Joliet, IL 60431

## **Romeoville Campus**

1125 West Romeo Road  
Romeoville, IL 60446

## **Frankfort Education Center**

201 Colorado Ave  
Frankfort, IL 60423

## **Morris Education Center**

1715 North Division  
Morris, IL 60450

## **City Center Campus**

214 North Ottawa Street  
Joliet, IL 60432

## **Weitendorf Agricultural Education Center**

17840 Laraway Road  
Joliet, IL 60433

## **Satellite Campus**

JJC offers classes at area high schools



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## Degrees Offered

- **Associate in Arts** (*Major in business, journalism, criminal justice, history, psychology...*)
- **Associate in Science** (*Major in biology, chemistry, computer science, engineering, mathematics...*)
- **Associate in Applied Science** (*Employment in Culinary Arts, Nursing, Vet-Tech, EMS, Fire Science, Law Enforcement...*)
- **Associate in Arts in Teaching** (*Special Education*)
- **Certificate of Achievement** (*30-50 semester hours*)
- **Certificate of Completion** (*4-29 semester hours*)



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## Community College Advantages

- Quality Programs
  - **Over 80% of our JJC Professors have a Master's degree or higher**
- Highly personalized instruction
  - **25:1 student/faculty ratio**
- Very Affordable
  - **\$1236/Semester Tuition (12 credit hours)**
- Highly Accessible – **6 locations**
- So many exciting new things going on at JJC! (**NEW CAMPUS CENTER, MORE PARKING, ETC...**)



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Want to get a **JUMP**  
**START** on your  
college education?



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## Dual Credit

- **Partnership between JJC and high school or career center.**
- **High School students earn both HS credit and college credit upon successful completion of course(s).**
- **Classes are at the high school and taught by an approved high school teacher, during the day as part of the student's regular schedule.**





# Dual Credit Courses

## Career and Technical Education courses

- Automotive, CADD, Computer and Office Information, Computer Networking, Hospitality Industry, Science, Nurse Assistant Training, Welding

## General Education courses

- English & Math



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## Dual Credit: Student Benefits

- 'Head-start' on college career
- Students receive JJC credit & high school credit at the same time
- Students save both time and money
- Tuition and fees are waived
- Textbooks are provided by the high schools
- Course syllabus is the same as the JJC course
- JJC credit is awarded immediately upon successful completion
- Students will have a JJC transcript



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# Support Services

**Support Services** are *free* services offered to JJC students to assist with *college success*.

## Support Services – Tutoring

- Academic Skills Center offers free in-person and online tutoring for over 200 courses.
- LEAP (Learning English for Academic Purposes) Center offers free tutoring to non-native speakers.
- Math Learning Center offers free drop-in tutoring for all math courses.
- Project Achieve offers free tutoring to first-generation students.



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# Support Services

## Support Services – Tutoring

- Speaking Center offers free assistance with PowerPoint and speaking skills.
- StAR (Student Accommodations and Resources) offers free tutoring and other services to students with disabilities.
- Writing Center offers free writing assistance by appointment.



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# Student Activities

## Student Activities

- Participating in student activities and student employment is proven to increase your chances of college success.
- Such activities may include:
  - Athletics
  - Honors Program
  - Student clubs and events
  - Student employment



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# Athletics

- Men's

- Basketball
- Baseball
- Cheerleading
- Cross Country
- Football
- Soccer



- Women's

- Basketball
- Cheerleading
- Cross Country
- Soccer
- Softball
- Volleyball



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# Admission Steps

1. Apply ONLINE ... [www.jjc.edu/admissions](http://www.jjc.edu/admissions)
  - Have high school transcripts sent to JJC Admissions Office
2. Take the ACT COMPASS Placement test (\*\*ACT scores if applicable)
3. Apply for Financial Aid [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)
4. Research Scholarship opportunities
5. View new student information presentation [www.jjc.edu/newstudent](http://www.jjc.edu/newstudent)
  - Attend a New Student Group Registration where you will meet an advisor to select classes and build an educational plan.



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# Register for classes

## Spring 2012 Semester

- Apply online:  
October 1<sup>st</sup>  
(tentative)
- Priority Registration  
begins: October 16<sup>th</sup>
- General Registration  
begins: October 24<sup>th</sup>
- Classes begin:  
January 17<sup>th</sup> 2012

## Fall 2012 Semester

- Apply online:  
November 1<sup>st</sup>  
(tentative)
- Priority Registration  
begins: Mid-April 2012
- General Registration  
begins: End of April  
2012
- Classes begin:  
August 20, 2012





# Upcoming Events at JJC

**JJC's Annual College Fair**  
**Tuesday, October 11, 2011**  
**5:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

**Discover JJC Open House**  
**Saturday, November 5, 2011**  
**Time: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.**



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# Visit JJC's Campus!

**Tours are conducted by our JJC Student Ambassadors  
and must be scheduled one week in advance.**

## *Fall 2011 Hours*

*Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. to 6  
p.m.*

*Friday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.*

**To schedule your tour, please contact:**

Sue Callans at (815) 280-2355/Email [scallans@jjc.edu](mailto:scallans@jjc.edu)

**OR**

Rosa Salazar at (815)-280-2562/Email [rsalazar@jjc.edu](mailto:rsalazar@jjc.edu)

**OR**

Andrew Sarata at (815) 280-2863/Email

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Thank you for your time and attention.  
**Questions?**



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PLEASE RETURN YOUR EVALUATION IN AS YOU  
WALK OUT!

THANK  
YOU!

**Any Questions??**