



John A. Logan College recognizes and adhered to all requirements prescribed by the United States Department of Education and monitored by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association. The College has also completed all requirements for an institutional self-study.

### ***Credits, Program Length, and Tuition***

John A. Logan College operates on the traditional semester system. The College has developed four main terms of study: 16-week fall semester, a 16-week spring semester, and an 8-week summer semester. Alternative scheduling options include an 8-week fall and spring block schedule which allows students to complete two blocks in a 16-week semester. Students can complete the requirements for an associate of arts in one calendar year. A *Fridays Only* schedule for fall and spring also allows students flexibility in scheduling around work and family obligations. Students can complete the requirements for an associate of arts in one calendar year. A two-week intersession is also offered between spring and summer sessions for select courses.

Tuition is charged by the credit hour. Both the print and online college *Catalog* lists each course with its corresponding schedule, number of credit hours, and type of course (hybrid, online, telecourse, traditional). Tuition and fees are determined by the board of trustees and are listed in the *Catalog* and semester class schedules. For the 2006–2007 academic year, the tuition rate for in district students is \$64 per credit hour.

Course credits and credit hours are consistent with colleges and universities within the state and adjacent states. Information on program course requirements, program length, and tuition is provided in the College Catalog and on the College Internet site.

These rates are available for review in the College *Catalog* and on the College webpage.

### ***Institutional Compliance with the Higher Education Authorization Act***

John A. Logan College complies with the Title IV requirements of the Higher Education Authorization Act amended in 1998. The most recent Default rates for John A. Logan College were 12.2 percent in FY 2004, 4.9 percent in FY 2003, and 10.6 percent in FY 2002. In 2000, the Associate Dean for Student Financial Assistance developed the College's Default Management Policies. Students enrolling at the College and requesting a student loan are evaluated on an individual basis. Each student must meet the minimum requirement for enrollment as a half-time student and enrolled in an eligible degree program. The Dean for Student Services is responsible for the implementation of the Default Management Policies.

The following reports are available in the resource room:

- *The Eligibility and Certification Approval Report (ECAR)*
- *John A. Logan College Program Participation Agreement*
- John A. Logan College's Cohort Default Rate



In addition, the College financial statements and A-133 audit reports are available in the resource room. The Office of Financial Aid also posts required terms and conditions for its aid recipients in the College Catalog as well as in informational handouts contained in the office itself.

As is stated in the College Catalog as well as in the class schedule produced for each semester, information on the graduation rates of John A. Logan College students may be obtained from the Office of Institutional Research (Room B30).

The Campus Safety Department maintains an up-to-date time log. This log is held in the Campus Safety Department's office and is available to the public. In compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, campus security policies and crime information are available on the College's website. Other information pertaining to the Campus Safety Department is available in the College Catalog as well as on its website. The College's Campus Safety Department provides all relevant and required information through annual reports to the United States Department of Education.

John A. Logan College's athletics programs comply with the federal Title IX guidelines for equity of opportunity. College athletic programs include men's and women's basketball, men's and women's golf, baseball, softball, and volleyball. Title IX compliance is monitored and enforced by the College's Athletic Director who submits appropriate data annually to the U.S. Department of Education. In addition, an Athletics Advisory Committee (consisting of the Athletic Director, the Vice-President for Administrative Services, and two board members) meets bi-monthly to monitor all areas of the athletic department including Title IX compliance.

As required by federal regulations, the College posts:

- Graduation rates
- Safety and security data
- Equity in athletics

### ***Federal Compliance Visits to Off Campus Locations***

John A. Logan College does not have any facilities that meet the Commission's definition of an off-campus site. John A. Logan College does offer some allied health clinical courses off site in partnership with area hospitals. Neither program has more than 50 percent of the coursework at an off-campus site. Each program has general education requirements and other courses that are only offered on campus.

### ***Advertising and Recruitment Materials***

John A. Logan College mentions its accreditation status in the College Catalog and on its website. Both are being updated to include the Commission's local phone number and website address.



### ***Professional Accreditation***

John A. Logan College has several career programs that have professional accreditation:

- Construction Management—American Council for Construction Management (ACCE)
- Drafting—American Design Drafting Association (ADDA)
- Heating and Air Conditioning—Partnership for Air Conditioning, Heating, Refrigeration Accreditation (PAHRA)
- Automotive and Auto Body—National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF)
- Welding—American Welding Society (AWS)—Educational Partnership
- Machinist—National Institute for Metalworking Skills (NIMS)
- Occupational Therapy Assistant—Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA)
- Health Information Technology—American Medical Association and American Health Information Management Association
- Surgical Technology Program—Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)
- Medical Laboratory Technology—National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Sciences (NAACLS)
- Dental Hygiene and Dental Assisting—Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography—Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography and Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs
- All cosmetology and nursing programs are approved and evaluated according to pass rates by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulations.
- Nursing Assistant and emergency medical services courses are approved and evaluated by the Illinois Department of Public Health.

### ***Requirements of Institutions Holding Dual Institutional Accreditation***

John A. Logan College does not hold dual accreditation.

### ***Institutional Records of Student Complaints***

Formal student complaints are handled as prescribed in the *Student Rights and Responsibilities: A Student Code of Conduct*. These complaints are processed by the responsible administrator and their resolution is recorded. In the past year, the College has received a total of eight complaints from members of the John A. Logan College community; all being from students. Fifty percent dealt with instructional issues and the remaining 50 percent were non-instructional complaints. The records are kept confidential and housed in



the Administration Building vault. All complaints recorded throughout the history of the College are filed in this location.

### ***Third Party Comment***

The Third Party Comment Ad was published in the following newspapers and college publications in August, September, and October of 2006:

The Southern, Marion Daily Republican, Murphysboro American, West Frankfort Daily American, Du Quoin Evening Call, Herrin Spokesman, The Volunteer, General News, Fall 2006 Continuing Education Class Schedules (77,000).

### ***Public Notice***

John A. Logan College will undergo a comprehensive evaluation visit on February 5 – 7, 2007, by a team representing The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. John A. Logan College has been accredited by the Commission since 1972. Its accreditation is at the associate degree level and includes degree sites at various other locations within the district.

The Higher Learning Commission is one of six accrediting agencies in the United States that provide institutional accreditation on a regional basis. Institutional accreditation evaluates an entire institution and accredits it as a whole. Other agencies provide accreditation for specific programs. Accreditation is voluntary. The Commission accredits approximately 1,100 institutions of higher education in a nineteen-state region. The Commission is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

For the past year and a half, John A. Logan College has been engaged in a process of self-study, addressing the Commission's requirements and criteria for accreditation. The evaluation team will visit the College to gather evidence that the self-study is thorough and accurate. The team will recommend to the Commission a continuing status for the College; following a review process, the Commission itself will take the final action.

The public is invited to submit comments regarding the College:

Public Comment on John A. Logan College  
The Higher Learning Commission  
30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400  
Chicago, IL 60602

Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the College or its academic programs. Written, signed comments must be received by December 31, 2006. The Commission cannot guarantee that comments received after the due date will be considered. Comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person providing the comments. Comments will not be treated as confidential.

**Note:** Individuals with a specific dispute or grievance with an institution should request the separate Policy on Complaints document from the Commission office. The Higher Learning Commission cannot settle disputes between institutions and individuals. Complaints will not be considered third party comment.