

PARENT & GUARDIAN GUIDE TO JOHN A. LOGAN COLLEGE

2026



JALC

JOHN A LOGAN COLLEGE AT A GLANCE

John A. Logan College is committed to providing high-quality academic programs, affordable educational opportunities, and a supportive learning environment where students can thrive. This guide is designed to help students and their families navigate the next step in their educational journey. Inside this guide is valuable information on topics such as paying for college, student support services, and other resources to help ensure a successful and rewarding college experience.

Average tuition for two years
(based on 15 credit hours per semester)

John A. Logan College

\$8,700

In-State University

\$27,400

Out-Of-State University

\$28,578



\$0

Application Fee



20

Average Class Size



30+

Clubs & Organizations



24

Average Student Age

3,400

Average Students
Enrolled Per Semester

\$1.5 MILLION

Scholarships
Awarded Annually



REGISTRATION *TIMELINE*

SPRING 2027

Registration opens
October 1st

Classes begin
January 11th

SUMMER 2027

Registration opens
October 1st

Classes begin
May 24th (5-Week)
June 7th (8-Week)

FALL 2027

Registration opens
March 1st

Classes begin
August 16th

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APPLY TO JOHN A. LOGAN COLLEGE

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SUBMIT THE FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA) - SCHOOL CODE: 008076

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APPLY FOR JOHN A. LOGAN COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

4

COMPLETE PLACEMENT TESTING (IF NEEDED)

5

MEET WITH AN ACADEMIC ADVISOR TO CHOOSE CLASSES AND REGISTER

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ATTEND A NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION DAY

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SECURE BOOKS AND MATERIALS FOR CLASSES

ADMISSIONS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Admission Requirements

Students who have never attended college since graduating from high school or completing their GED, even if they took college courses while in high school, should complete the First-Time Freshman Application. Students with AP credit should submit official scores from the College Board for potential John A. Logan College credit.

Submit High School Transcripts

Students are required to submit final high school transcripts for financial aid and JALC graduation and can also submit transcripts from other colleges they have attended. Transcripts are one way to determine the need for placement testing. Students must request a transcript evaluation for credit from other colleges to be reviewed for possible credit at JALC.

Proof of In-District Residency

Upon applying to JALC, every student is considered out-of-district until they submit proof of residency (usually their driver's license or State ID card) to the Admissions and Records office. This is required even if the student has always lived in district. It is strongly recommended that students provide proof of residency during their initial advisement appointment.

Scholarships

Each year, JALC awards more than 600 scholarships totaling over \$1.5 million to students. Scholarships are available based on a variety of criteria, including:

- Financial need
- Academic achievement
- First-generation college student status
- Enrollment in specific majors or programs
- Leadership and campus involvement
- Community service and volunteerism
- Specific talents, skills, or experiences

Scholarships are awarded directly to student accounts and do not need to be paid back.

To learn more or apply for scholarships, visit:
jalcfoundation.org/scholarships/

More than 70% of John A. Logan College students receive financial assistance through scholarships, grants, and other aid programs. Explore the financial aid options available and learn how to apply for the support that can help make college more affordable.

Promise Scholarship: Only for High School Freshman Starting 2026

The Promise Scholarship is offered to every eligible incoming public and private high school student in JALC's district.

Students can earn up to two years of in-district tuition at JALC if they:

- Maintain a minimum 2.0 overall GPA
- Maintain 90% attendance in high school classes each year
- Complete 9 credit hours of dual credit, early college, or transitional courses
- Complete the FAFSA application and Foundation Scholarship application during senior year
- Complete a math course all 4-years of high school
- Complete ORI 100 by the end of the student's first fall semester at JALC

To learn more or apply for the Promise Scholarship, visit: jalc.edu/promise-scholarship/



PAYING FOR COLLEGE

FAFSA

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the application used to determine a student's eligibility for federal, state, and institutional financial aid, including grants, loans, and work-study opportunities. The FAFSA collects information about a student's financial situation, which helps determine eligibility for aid based on the student's and family's income and assets from two years prior.

In some cases, prior-year financial information may not accurately reflect a family's current circumstances. Students who have experienced significant changes in income or other extenuating circumstances should contact the Financial Aid Office to determine whether they may qualify for a Special Circumstances Review.

Completing the FAFSA may help students qualify for:

- Federal Pell Grant
- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)
- Illinois Monetary Award Program (MAP) Grant
- Federal Work-Study
- Military Education Benefits

Grants and work-study funds generally do not need to be repaid. However, students who withdraw from courses or do not successfully complete enough coursework may be required to return a portion of their financial aid.

To complete the FAFSA, visit StudentAid.gov and use JALC's school code: **008076**

Loans

Student loans are educational funds that must be repaid with interest. Student loans should be considered after all other forms of financial assistance have been exhausted. JALC is no longer participating in the Federal Direct Student Loan program. Students in need of loan funds should apply for a Private Alternative Student Loan. Contact your local bank, credit union or search the web for "Private Alternative Loan Providers" to find a lender. All students who apply for a private, alternative loan must first submit a FAFSA.

Making Payments

Payment is due each semester by the published deadline. Students without payment arrangements in place by this date may be dropped from their courses. JALC offers multiple payment options, including in person, by mail, by phone, and online through the MyJALC student portal.

To learn more about paying tuition, visit:
jalc.edu/admissions/paying-for-college/

Current Tuition Rates

Tuition – In-District
\$145.00 per credit hour

Tuition – Online/Hybrid Courses
\$160.00 per credit hour

Tuition – Out-of-District
\$210.00 per credit hour

Tuition – Out-of-State
\$242.00 per credit hour

Tuition – International
\$242.00 per credit hour



REGISTERING FOR CLASSES



Placement Testing

To evaluate a student's current strengths, needs for advisement, and successful placement in English and Mathematics courses, the College utilizes placement testing. Based on a student's academic performance in high school, scores on standardized exams, or previous college coursework, testing may not be necessary. For students interested in the College's restricted Health Science programs (such as Nursing) additional testing is required as part of the application process.

For more information about placement testing and the requirements of the restricted admissions health science programs, visit: jalc.edu/testing-services/

Academic Advisement

The Academic Advisement Office provides a variety of enrollment services including assistance with registering for classes, schedule changes, waitlist options, dropping or withdrawing from courses, and helping select or change majors.

For more information about Academic Advisement, visit: jalc.edu/academic-advisement/

Undecided Students

Students who are exploring their options can meet with an academic advisor to complete the Journey career assessment, discuss potential college majors and career paths, and learn more about their interests and strengths. Advisors can also help students connect their goals to academic programs and develop a clear direction for their future.

New Student Orientation

Students are encouraged to attend New Student Orientation to help them feel confident and prepared for their first day of classes. Orientation introduces students to campus resources, college expectations, technology tools, student services, and other information designed to support a successful transition to college.

For more information about New Student Orientation, visit: jalc.edu/enrollment-management/new-student-orientation-days/

**TAKE A VIRTUAL
CAMPUS TOUR OR
SCHEDULE A VISIT**



CREDIT BEFORE COLLEGE



Dual Credit

JALC has a variety of Dual Credit and Early College offerings. Students can begin enrolling in courses after completing their sophomore year of high school.

Students can receive both high school and college credit by taking Dual Credit courses that are:

- Taught at a high school by a college qualified instructor
- Taught online or at a JALC instructional site during the school day (approved by an agreement with the high school)

Contact the specific high school for more information about potential dual credit opportunities.

Early College

Through the Early College program, high school students can take college courses with a JALC instructor. Students earn college credit, and some courses may also count toward high school graduation. These courses can be online or in-person at a JALC instructional site and require a separate application and registration process. Families should work with their high school counselor to determine whether an Early College course will also count as high school credit.

For questions regarding course options or how to apply credit toward high school graduation, please contact the school counselor at the high school or the JALC Dual Credit & Partnerships office.

For more information about Dual Credit and Early College, visit: jalc.edu/dual-credit-early-college/



CAMPUS SAFETY

At JALC, safety is top priority. Our JALC Police Officers are licensed Illinois police officers and maintain a 24/7 security presence on campus. JALC Police provide a variety of services to students.

Officers are trained in CPR/AED/First Aid and work with local emergency response agencies. Campus safety is actively engaged with government, campus organizations, and the student body to ensure that students' needs are safety concerns are being addressed. In addition to patrolling campus, the JALC Police Department is responsible for several other services, including but not limited to:

- Providing jump starts and unlocking vehicles
- Escorting students upon request
- Managing the Lost and Found
- Providing emergency response services
- Conducting accident and criminal investigations concerning on-campus crimes
- Publishing crime data

For more information about safety on campus, please visit: jalc.edu/campus-safety/

John A. Logan College Text Alerts

The College utilizes two text messaging systems to communicate important information to students and the college community.

JALCAAlert

Notifications about closures, weather-related events, and emergencies. Students, parents, and community members can create an account at: jalc.omnilert.net/subscriber.php

JText

Notifications about important due dates, tuition reminders, and events. Students can opt-in on their MyJALC student portal.



STUDENT RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES



Student Handbook

The Student Handbook serves as an official, comprehensive guide outlining the College's policies, academic regulations, student rights, behavioral expectations and more. The purpose is to ensure a safe, fair, and productive learning environment while fostering a clear understanding of standards and resources to help students succeed. The Student Handbook includes the following sections:

- Navigating from application to graduation
- Academic policies and resources
- Students' right and responsibilities and code of conduct
- Campus safety
- Student complaints

For more information about the student handbook, please visit: jalc.edu/student-handbook/

FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. When a student turns 18 or enrolls in a postsecondary institution, FERPA rights transfer from the parent to the student. Students may choose to grant parents, guardians, or other individuals access to their education records by completing the appropriate Consent to Release Records form available on the JALC website. If the student does not have a release on file, the College is unable to release information regarding academic records, enrollment records, or financial and conduct records to anyone other than the student.

For more information regarding student privacy rights and FERPA, visit:
jalc.edu/admissions/family-education-rights-and-privacy-act-ferpa/

STUDENT SUCCESS

SERVICES



CAMPUS TUTORING

Get free help from professional math and communications tutors, plus trained peer tutors for additional courses.



CAREER READINESS

Build the skills, confidence, and preparation needed to move from college into the workforce.



CLINICAL COUNSELING

Free, confidential counseling gives enrolled students a supportive place to talk, receive guidance, and recharge.



ACCESS AND ACCOMMODATIONS

Eligible students can receive accommodations such as notetakers, extended testing time, separate testing areas, and other individualized support.



CCR&R

Child Care Resource & Referral connects eligible students with childcare resources and possible financial assistance.



FREE PRINTING

Print assignments, course materials, and other academic documents at designated campus locations at no cost.



LOGAN FITNESS & AQUATIC CENTER

Use campus fitness and aquatic facilities to exercise, stay active, and maintain a healthy balance while completing an education.



PERKINS

Eligible career and technical education students may receive assistance with books, supplies, transportation, child-care, academic needs, and other approved expenses.



STUDENT DEVELOPMENT

Explore clubs, activities, leadership opportunities, and programs that support academic, personal, and professional growth.



STUDENT SUCCESS NAVIGATOR

Get connected with campus and community resources, overcome barriers, stay on track academically, and visit the snack locker.



TRIO PROGRAM

Eligible students receive free mentoring, tutoring, transfer and financial aid assistance, career counseling, priority advising, scholarships, and cultural enrichment.

GRADUATION & TRANSFER

Graduation

Students should apply for graduation in the semester before completing all required coursework for their degree or certificate. Academic advisors can assist with the application process and provide reminders about deadlines.

For more information about the graduation application, degree audits, awarding diplomas, and commencement and corresponding deadlines, visit: jalc.edu/admissions/graduation-information/

Transfer Planning

John A. Logan College provides students with a seamless pathway to transfer to a four-year college or university. Students work closely with their academic advisor to select courses that align with their educational and transfer goals. JALC's academic programs are designed to prepare students for successful transfer and continued academic achievement. In addition, JALC maintains numerous articulation agreements with colleges and universities, helping ensure that credits transfer efficiently and that students can transition smoothly to their chosen institution. Once a transfer institution has been selected, students should review that institution's specific admission and degree requirements to stay on track for a successful transfer.

For more information about transfer, visit: jalc.edu/academic-advisement/transfer-planning/



THEIR FUTURE STARTS HERE.

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started today.



APPLY

Learn about admissions
and enrollment.



VISIT

Schedule a
campus tour.



EXPLORE

Discover programs
and opportunities.

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