ACCELERATEU

FOR LONG-TERM MEDICAL OR SUSPENSION

CREDIT RECOVERY

AS A CLASS SECTION WHEN SCHOOLS CAN'T FIND A TEACHER

FOR STUDENTS WHO CAN'T FIT EVERTHING INTO THEIR SCHEDULE

SUMMER COURSES

DIVERSE ELECTIVE OFFERINGS FOR SMALL DISTRICTS

ACCELERATEU.ORG

ONLINE CLASSES FOR NYS STUDENTS

2023-2024

AccelerateU Online Courses, 2023-24

AccelerateU offers 300+ online, asynchronous courses for NYS students. Our courses are facilitated by our teachers, with tech support provided by our staff.

Students work independently, guided by due dates and weekly progress reports. We also offer weekly office hours for students to meet with teachers.

Our courses are NOT Zoom-based or taught in real-time.

Students work on their own, paced by due dates, with our teachers supporting mostly by email.

We offer single courses and entire classes to help alleviate teacher shortages.

Each one-semester course costs $754 per student.
Enrollments dropped within the first 7 days are not invoiced.
Enrollments dropped from 8 to 28 days are invoiced at $50.
AccelerateU course costs are aidable.
AccelerateU meets NYSED Part 100.5d10 requirements for online and blended learning.

List of Online Courses

Visit this site for our current course list:

https://www.edutech.org/resources/accelerateu-online-learning/course-list

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Student Feedback

- It was nice because you could move at your own pace.
- I loved learning online because I got to go at my own pace, and I did really well.
- It was good. I learned a lot and furthered my education on the topic.
- It was a great experience to get before going to college.
- It taught me time management.
- It was very fun, and a nice change of pace compared to sitting in a classroom for 40 minutes
- Really helpful, without my online courses I wouldn't be on the path that I am today.
- The teachers were so accommodating and flexible
- Very smooth. Easy to communicate and independent which I liked very much.
- I really liked my online course experience, and the knowledge I gained from these courses.
- It was very nice to be able to work at my own pace. Yet, when I needed help or had questions, they were answered relatively fast.

Course Costs, 2023-24

Each semester (.5 credit) online course costs $754 per student.

Examples: Health is a semester (0.5 credit) course and costs $754.
            Spanish 1 is a two semester (1.0 credit) course and costs $1,508.

AccelerateU is an aidable service. Districts receive BOCES aid on the purchase of each course in the year following purchase. For example, the actual cost for a course for a 70% aid ratio district is $222.30.

Aid ratios: https://stateaid.nysed.gov/boces/pdf_docs/boces_rwada_report-sams1213.pdf

Early withdrawal fee
0-7 days: no charge for enrollments dropped in this time frame.
8-28 days: charge of $50 for enrollments dropped in this time frame.

Local BOCES fees may apply.

Aid Ratio	Course Cost	Actual Cost after aid received
0.80	$754	$150.80
0.75	$754	$188.50
0.70	$754	$226.20
0.65	$754	$263.90
0.60	$754	$301.60
0.50	$754	$377.00
0.40	$754	$452.40
0.30	$754	$527.80
0.20	$754	$603.20
0.10	$754	$678.60

Late enrollments – in May and June - will be invoiced at full cost of $754, regardless of completion/drop status.

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Protecting Student Information

New York State Department of Education Ed Law 2d requires districts to protect students' personally identifiable information (PII). PII includes information that can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity either directly or indirectly though linkages with other information, such as student name, parents' names, student address, and student number.

We work diligently in reminding everyone to remove PII in all communications. For example, instead of using full names for students, we recommend using first names or just initials.

The online platform and content vendors we work with have access to PII, so we require them to sign our Ed Law 2d contract, which specifies acceptable data protection, handling, and retention practices.

To learn more about disclosure avoidance practice, visit https://studentprivacy.ed.gov/.

For more information on Ed Law 2d or on AccelerateU's data protection practices, please contact Mike Morone at mike.morone@edutech.org.

AccelerateU Student Contract

With each enrollment, students receive a confirmation email. By taking the course, they agree to the following rules.

Students: By taking your online course, you agree to the following:
- Follow your school's Code of Conduct and Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)
- Work in your online course 3-5 times per week for at least 3+ hours per week
- You may be withdrawn if you fail to log in for two consecutive weeks
- Communicate with us regularly and respond to emails within 24 hours
- Never copy anyone else's work or provide answers to anyone
- Never use online language translation programs
- Cite the works of others if you use permitted Internet sources.
- Refrain from intimidation, harassment, bad language, and bullying

First incident- email warning with a copy sent to guardians and the school
Second incident - possible removal from course, resulting in failure
For severe incidents, immediate removal from course

Registering Students

Enrollments are requested online in our system (Genius Class), http://accelerateu.org.

Step 1: Click on **Students** tab and **Add Student.**
Fill out ALL information. Much of it is required by NYSED.
Click **Save**. Go to student's profile – by the "**Click here**" link, or by going to the **Students** tab and clicking on the student's name.

✔ Student was successfully created. **Click here** to go to this student's profile.

Step 2: Select **Requested Courses** and **Add a new course request**.
Select the **Term**, **Course**, and **Start Date.** Choose **Entry Reason** and click on check boxes. **Save.**

Requested Courses 🖑   🖑 Add new course request

Course Request

Term:	Select... ▼
Course:	Select... ▼
Start Date:	
Name of administrator approving enrollment:	
Aidable cost of this enrollment:	754.00
Entry Reason:	Select... ▼

Save   Cancel

Each one-semester course is 20 weeks in length.
Each one-semester course is worth 0.5 credit.
Please contact us if you require an adjusted end date.

For Regents Science courses – districts are responsible for supervising and documenting students' hands-on labs. The requirement is 1200 minutes of hands-on lab activities per course.

☐ By checking this box, you authorize your district to be billed for this course by your local BOCES

☐ I certify that this course has been approved by a school administrator

Enrollments starting in May and beyond are invoiced at full cost regardless of outcome

AccelerateU staff will enroll the student within 24 hours and send a **confirmation email** with complete instructions and contact information.

Step 3: In the student's account, when necessary, upload any **IEP** or **504 document(s)** by clicking **External Files** and **Upload new file.**

Main Information
Main Page
External Files 🖑

🖑 **Upload new file**

How Online Courses Work

Students have 20 weeks to complete their course. Upon request, we can grant an additional 4 weeks.

Courses are online, available 24/7, wherever students have Internet access. Students work at a pace guided by suggested due dates. There are no videoconferences; students work asynchronously. They should work at least 3-5 hours per week. Our teachers monitor progress, clarify concepts, offer help, answer questions, provide grades, and report progress.

AccelerateU is not Zoom-based or real-time. It is an asynchronous supplemental online learning program.

When students complete the course, they earn NYS credit, awarded by their districts. All courses are monitored by NYS certified teachers.

Technical Support

The district is responsible to make sure its devices can access the Internet and our sites. **AccelerateU** provides second-tier support. We encourage students to reach out with detailed information concerning technical issues.

Proctoring Requirement

Students take midterm and final exams in a proctored setting at school. Midterm and final exams are password protected. District staff will be provided with this password. Please do NOT share it with students. This ensures test integrity. Homebound students can be proctored at home by guardians.

Plagiarism and AI

It is important that students understand the severity of plagiarism. Students can ensure their work is not plagiarized by utilizing free plagiarism checkers such as www.quetext.com. We reserve the right to remove students after two occurrences of plagiarism.

System Requirements

Students need access to a modern computer with an Internet connection and updated software plug-ins. A headset with microphone is required for world language and other courses to record voice assignments. All students will need district email accounts for communication purposes.

We do NOT recommend iPads, tablets, or smartphones for online course work.

Frequently Asked Questions

Will the course have a teacher?
Yes. All our courses are led by NYS-certified teachers. They communicate with students on a regular basis, mostly by email. They respond to questions within 24 hours (school days only).

What do students do if they need help?
The district is responsible for technical support to ensure its computers can properly open AccelerateU courseware. AccelerateU provides second-tier support. For academic support, students contact their online teachers. For other support, students contact their counselor.

How can districts best support their online students?
Designate a local advisor - someone to meet with students regularly and monitor progress. We encourage advisors to contact us to discuss progress and issues. It's best to add as much structure as possible, such as scheduled time for online work, an active advisor, peer group, teacher assistant, lab assistant, and a tutor, if necessary.

How quickly will the teacher respond to questions?
Most of our online teachers also teach during the day. They respond at night and complete grading over the weekends. In most cases, teachers will respond within 24 hours. Students are encouraged to consult other resources and move on in their course while waiting.

What about hands-on science labs?
Some of our science courses require hands-on labs, supervised by qualified staff. This must be implemented and documented locally by the district. However, NYSED now allows virtual labs.

How is test security handled?
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What about IEP or 504 Plan modifications?
If a student has modifications, please attache the IEP or 504 Plan to their account in our system. The district is responsible for most local modifications.

What about Regents and AP Exams?
Districts are responsible for administering, ordering, and paying for exams. Our courses have final exams, and at the districts' discretion, we can substitute an exam for a Regents exam.
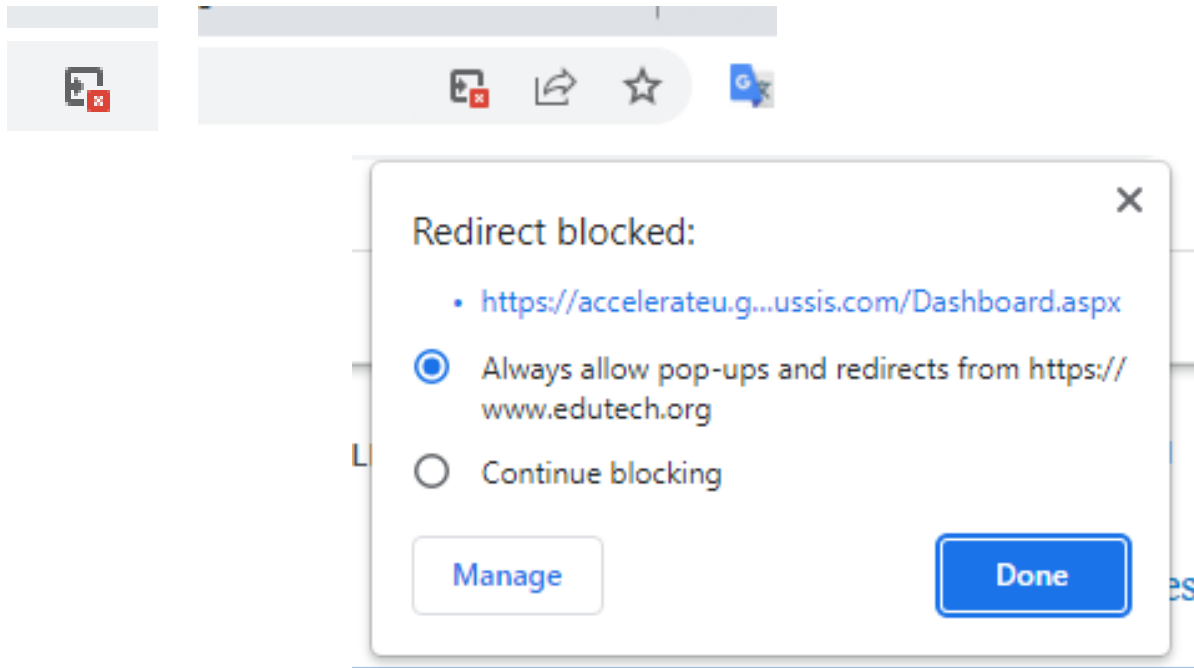
Tech Issues Logging in to AccelerateU

Please use a Windows PC, Chromebook, or Macintosh for course work.

Other devices like cell phones and tablets do not always work well.

Use Google Chrome as the browser. If Chrome is not available, use Microsoft Edge. You may need to allow pop-ups and redirects, as shown below.
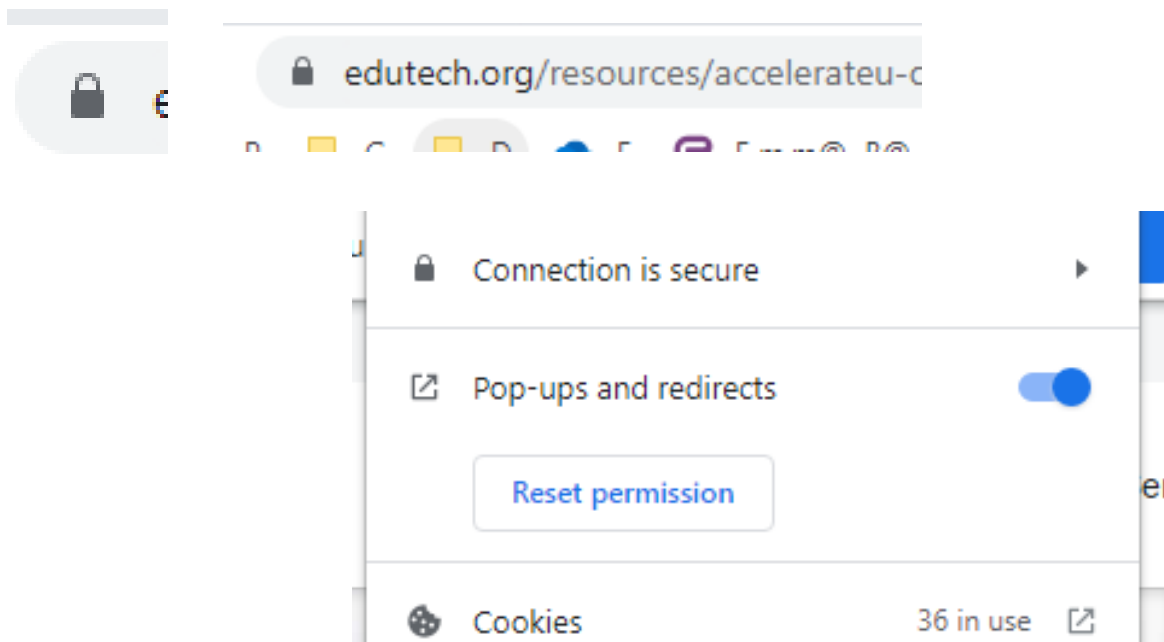
Pop-ups and Redirects
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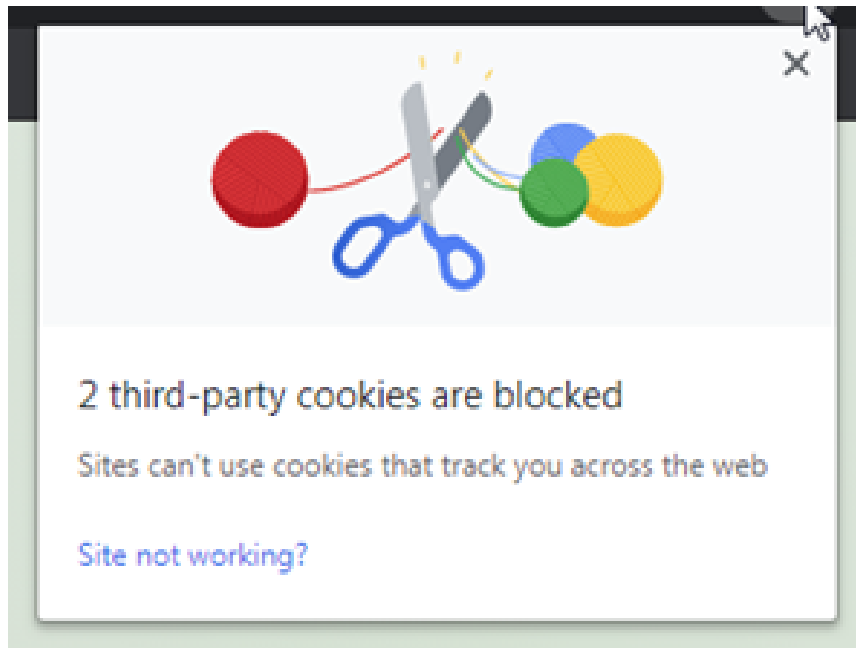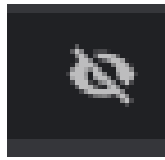- Select "Always allow pop-ups and redirects from…"

Redirect blocked:

- https://accelerateu.g...ussis.com/Dashboard.aspx

◉ Always allow pop-ups and redirects from https://www.edutech.org

○ Continue blocking

Manage   Done

OR:
- Click on the lock icon in the top left corner of the URL line
- Move the slider to allow pop-ups and redirects

🔒 edutech.org/resources/accelerateu-c

🔒 Connection is secure ▸

↗ Pop-ups and redirects 🔵
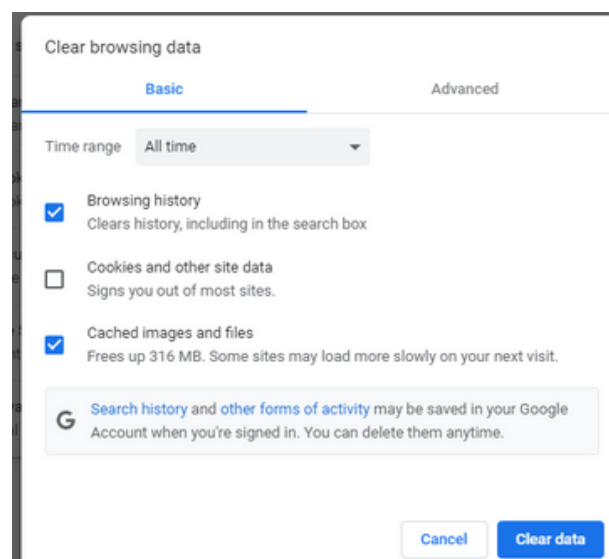
Reset permission

🍪 Cookies   36 in use ↗

You may also need to allow cookies
- Click eye icon in the top right corner of the URL line
- Click on "Site not working"?
- Click on "Allow cookies"
- Refresh your page

Additionally, you may need to delete your cache (browsing history) Ctrl-Shift-Delete is the shortcut.

BUSINESS 1 CREDIT
ACCOUNTING
ADVERTISING AND SALES PROMOTION
CAREER EXPLORATION IN FINANCE
CAREER AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CTE
ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND SMALL BUSINESS
INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS
MARKETING 1, 2
QUICKBOOKS ACCOUNTING
SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT MARKETING

ADVANCED PLACEMENT 1 CREDIT
AP ART HISTORY
AP BIOLOGY
AP CALCULUS AB
AP CALCULUS BC
AP COMPUTER SCIENCE A
AP COMPUTER SCIENCE PRINCIPLES
AP ENGLISH LANGUAGE
AP ENGLISH LITERATURE
AP ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
AP MACROECONOMICS
AP MICROECONOMICS
AP PHYSICS
AP PSYCHOLOGY
AP SPANISH
AP STATISTICS
AP US GOVERNMENT & POLITICS
AP US HISTORY

COMPUTER SCIENCE 1 CREDIT
COMPUTER MAINTENANCE
COMPUTER & NETWORK SECURITY FUND.
COMPUTER NETWORKING
CYBERSECURITY
OPERATIONAL CYBERSECURITY
PRINCIPLES OF INFORMATION TECH
PROCEDURAL PROGRAMMING

COMPUTER SCIENCE .5 CREDIT
CYBERSECURITY
FOUNDATIONS OF PROGRAMMING
GAME DESIGN 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B
JAVA SE8
JAVA PROGRAMMING
JAVASCRIPT TOWER DEFENSE
NETWORKING
PYTHON MULTIPLAYER
SWIFT APP DEVELOPMENT

CREDIT RECOVERY
(OTHER COURSES BY REQUEST)
ALGEBRA 1
ALGEBRA 2
CHEMISTRY
CONSUMER MATH
EARTH SCIENCE
ECONOMICS
ENGLISH 9, 10, 11, 12
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
GEOMETRY
GLOBAL 9, 10
HEALTH
LIVING ENVIRONMENT
PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT
PHYSICAL EDUCATION 1, 2
SPANISH 1
US HISTORY

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 1 CREDIT
AP ENGLISH LANGUAGE
AP ENGLISH LITERATURE
ENGLISH 9, 10, 11, 12

SOCIAL STUDIES 1 CREDIT
GLOBAL HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY 9, 10
UNITED STATES HISTORY

SOCIAL STUDIES .5 CREDIT
AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY
ECONOMICS
PARTICIPATION IN GOVT

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION .5 CREDIT
PHYSICAL EDUCATION 1
PHYSICAL EDUCATION 2
PHYSICAL EDUCATION ADAPTIVE
PHYSICAL EDUCATION ADVANCED 1, 2
PHYSICAL EDUCATION COMPREHENSIVE

(THE FOLLOWING CAN BE USED FOR PE BASED ON DISTRICT APPROVAL)
AEROBICS
CYCLING
DRUGS AND ALCOHOL
EATING DISORDERS
FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE
FITNESS BASICS 1, 2
FLEXIBILITY TRAINING
FOOD AND NUTRITION 1
FOOD AND NUTRITION 2
GROUP SPORTS
HEALTH
INDIVIDUAL SPORTS
JOGGING
LIFETIME AND LEISURE SPORTS
LIFETIME WEIGHT CONTROL
NUTRITION
OUTDOOR SPORTS
PERSONAL TRAINING CAREER PREP
PERSONAL TRAINING
RUNNING
STRENGTH TRAINING
SWIMMING
WALKING FITNESS
WEIGHT TRAINING

SCIENCE 1 CREDIT
ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY
ANTHROPOLOGY
CHEMISTRY
CHEMISTRY NON-REGENTS
EARTH SCIENCE
EARTH-SPACE SCIENCE
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
LIVING ENVIRONMENT
MARINE SCIENCE
PHYSICAL SCIENCE
PHYSICS

MATHEMATICS 1 CREDIT
ALGEBRA 1
ALGEBRA 2
CALCULUS HONORS
CONSUMER MATH
GEOMETRY
PRE-ALGEBRA
PRE-CALCULUS
PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS

WORLD LANGUAGES 1 CREDIT
AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE 1, 2
FRENCH 1, 2, 3
SPANISH 1, 2 3, 4

ELECTIVES 1 CREDIT (CAN BE TAKEN AS .5)
ANIMATION
ANTHROPOLOGY
ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN
ASTRONOMY
BIOTECHNOLOGY
BUILDING MAINT. TECHNOLOGIES
BUSINESS LAW
BUSINESS OWNERSHIP
CAREERS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE
CHILD DEVELOPMENT
CREATIVE WRITING
CRIMINAL JUSTICE OPERATIONS
CULINARY ARTS
DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY 1
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
EKG TECHNICIAN
EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONDER
FORENSIC SCIENCE
DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY
GUITAR 1
GUITAR 2
HEALTH SCIENCE FOUNDATIONS
HEALTH SCIENCE THEORY/HEALTH SKILLS
HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT 1 , 2
HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PRINCIPLES
LEGAL ADMIN SPECIALIST
MARINE SCIENCE
MEDICAL ASSISTANT
MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC TECHNOLOGY
MEDICAL LAB ASSISTING
MEDICAL OFFICE ADMINISTRATION
MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY
NURSING INTRODUCTION
PHARMACOLOGY
PIANO INTRODUCTION
PROFESSIONAL SALES AND PROMOTION
PSYCHOLOGY
ROBOTICS 1
ROBOTICS 2
SPORTS MEDICINE 1
SPORTS MEDICINE 2
TEACHING PROFESSIONS INTRODUCTION
TECHNOLOGY FOR HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM

ELECTIVES .5 CREDIT

3D MODELING
ADOBE AFTER EFFECTS
ADOBE PHOTOSHOP CERTIFICATION COURSE
ADOBE ILLUSTRATOR CERTIFICATION COURSE
ADOBE INDESIGN CERTIFICATION COURSE
ADOBE PREMIER PRO
ADVANCED DRAWING
AEROBICS
AERONAUTICS, SPACE TRAVEL
AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY
AGRICULTURE, FOOD, NATURAL RESOURCES
ARCHAEOLOGY
ARCHITECHTURE PRINCIPLES
ART APPRECIATION
ART HISTORY
ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
AUGMENTED, VIRTUAL REALITY
AUTOMOTIVE BASICS
BASIC WEB DESIGN, ONE SEMESTER
BIOTECHNICIAN: THE FUTURE OF BIOTECHNOLOGY
BITCOIN AND CRYPTOCURRENCY
BLOCKCHAIN & CRYPTOGRAPHY
BOWLING
BUSINESS INTRODUCTION
CALLIGRAPHY
CAREERS IN DENTRISTRY
CAREERS IN FINANCE
CAREERS IN HEALTHCARE
CHILD DEVELOPMENT
CLOTHING CONSTRUCTION
CLOTHING FASHION
CLOUD TECHNOLOGIES
COACHING SPORTS
COMPUTER MAINTENANCE
CONSTRUCTION FUNDAMENTALS
CONTEMPORARY NOVELS
COSMETOLOGY 1: STYLES
COSMETOLOGY 2: SKIN, NAILS
COSMETOLOGY 3A: HAIR SKILLS
COSMETOLOGY 3B: WAVING, COLORING
CREATIVE WRITING
CRIMINOLOGY
CULINARY ARTS 2: BAKING
CURRENT EVENTS
CYCLING
DIGITAL MEDIA
DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY 2
DRAWING BASICS
DRONES: PILOT CERTIFICATION COURSE
DRUG AND ALCOHOL AWARENESS
EATING DISORDERS AND BASIC NUTRITION
EDUCATION AND TEACHING
ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY
ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND SMALL BUSINESS CERT.
ETHNIC STUDIES
EXERCISE SCIENCE
FAMILY LIVING
FASHION DESIGN
FILMMAKING (WINDOWS/MAC, ADOBE PREMIERE)
FIRST AID AND SAFETY
FORESTRY AND NATURAL RESOURCES
GAMING AND E-SPORTS HISTORY
GOLF
HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS
HEALTH OCCUPATIONS PREP
HISTORY OF THE HOLOCAUST
HOSPITALITY & TOURISM 1, 2A, 2B
HUMAN AND SOCIAL SERVICES
HUMAN GEOGRAPHY
JOURNALISM
INTERIOR DESIGN
LEED GREEN CERTIFICATION COURSE
LEGAL STUDIES
LIFE MANAGEMENT SKILLS

ELECTIVES .5 CREDIT CONTINUED

LIFESKILLS
LORD OF THE RINGS FILM EXPLORATION
MANUFACTURING
MARINE SCIENCE
MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY
METEROLOGY
MILITARY CAREERS
MUSIC APPRECIATION
MUSIC INTRODUCTION
MYTHOLOGY AND FOLKLORE
NATIONAL SECURITY
PAINTING INTRODUCTION
PALEONTOLOGY
PEER COUNSELING
PERSONAL FINANCE
PERSONAL FINANCIAL LITERACY
PERSONAL TRAINING CONCEPTS
PIANO INTRODUCTION
POETRY WRITING
PROJECT MANAGEMENT
PUBLIC SERVICE
PUBLIC SPEAKING
RENEWABLE TECHNOLOGIES
RESPONSIBLE PARENTHOOD
RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT
ROBOTICS: APPLICATIONS, CAREERS
SALES AND PROMOTION
SCIENCE FICTION LITERATURE
SMALL ENGINE REPAIR
SMART CITIES: TECHNOLOGY
SOCIAL MEDIA BUSINESS MANAGEMENT
SOCIOLOGY
SPORTS OFFICIATING
STARTUPS AND INNOVATION
TEACHING AS A PROFESSION
TECHNICAL WRITING
THEATER, CINEMA & FILM PRODUCTION
TOUCH SYSTEMS DATA ENTRY; KEYBOARD LIKE A PRO
TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGIES
UKULELE
VETERINARY SCIENCE
WEARABLE TECHNOLOGY
WOMEN'S STUDIES - FILM
WORKPLACE, INTERNSHIP READINESS

MIDDLE SCHOOL COURSES

MIDDLE SCHOOL ANIMATION
MIDDLE SCHOOL CODING
MIDDLE SCHOOL COMPUTER SCIENCE DISCOVERIES
MIDDLE SCHOOL DIGITAL ART AND DESIGN
MIDDLE SCHOOL EARTH SPACE SCIENCE 7
MIDDLE SCHOOL ENGLISH, GRADES 6, 7, 8
MIDDLE SCHOOL EXPLORING MUSIC
MIDDLE SCHOOL GEOGRAPHY
MIDDLE SCHOOL HEALTH
MIDDLE SCHOOL INTEGRATED SCIENCE, GRADES 6, 7, 8
MIDDLE SCHOOL LIFE SCIENCE 6, 7, 8
MIDDLE SCHOOL MATH, GRADES 6, 7
MIDDLE SCHOOL PHYSICAL EDUCATION, GRADES 6, 7, 8
MIDDLE SCHOOL PHYSICAL SCIENCE 8
MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES, GRADES 6, 7, 8
MIDDLE SCHOOL SPANISH, GRADES 7, 8
MIDDLE SCHOOL UKULELE
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