



Tuesday's Tip

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Are you considering going to College?....

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Are you getting ready to go back to college or, considering if college is the right choice for you?

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Review definitions and current resources that can help demystify higher education by selecting from the **main tabs** located at the top of the page:

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Higher Education: **DEFINING EDUCATION 101**

Plan for College-Higher Education with the help of these resources

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Postsecondary Education -
Also known as tertiary education, postsecondary education can be defined as any education beyond high school. Postsecondary education includes education completed at a university, academy, college, seminary, conservatory, institute of technology, vocational and trade schools as well as other academic degrees or professional certifications.

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DEFINING EDUCATION 101

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Types of Institutions: Two- & Four-Year Options

Two-Year Colleges 2017 by Peterson's
Call Number: # 378.154 Pet 2017

Two-Year College: Most offer vocational programs as well as the first two years of a four-year (academic or transfer) program.

Community College - A public institution / college on a non-profit basis offering two-year programs leading to an associate degree.

Junior College - A private institution / college on a not-for-profit basis offering two-year programs following high school that lead to an associate degree.

Vocational, Trade and Technical Schools or Colleges - Also known as Private career schools or Proprietary schools that are usually private, for-profit institutions that may be accredited, licensed or registered by state boards of education. Typically, programs of study emphasize training for a specific occupation (i.e. automobile mechanics, dental assistance, food service preparation, hairstylists and cosmetologists, licensed practical nurses, heating and air-conditioning technicians, secretaries, ...)

The course work is similar to adult education courses or courses offered at community colleges and can usually be completed in a year or two. Students who successfully complete course work usually receive certificates but some accredited schools award associate's degrees. Tuition is similar or more expensive than at community colleges.

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Awards & Certifications

Certificate or Diploma

Types of Institutions: Two- & Four-Year

PETERSON'S
TWO-YEAR COLLEGES 2017

Click on the book covers
or
[hyper-] links to check availability in the
online catalog
or on the Internet.

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The College Application Process

- Preparation for College
- High School Equivalency (formerly GED)
 - Dutchess BOCES Literacy High School Equivalency Classes (@Adriance Memorial Library)
- Advanced Placement Courses (offered in High School)
 - Advanced Placement Program (AP)
 - College-Level Examination (CLEP)
- Standardized Tests
 - Standardized Tests (and Study Guides)
 - Free Online Practice Tests
- Volunteering

Advanced Placement Courses (offered in High School)

The **Advanced Placement Program (AP)** allows high school students to try college-level work and build valuable skills and study habits in the process. ...A qualifying score on an AP test can earn you college credit or advanced placement. There are more than thirty AP courses across multiple subject areas. Speak with your guidance counselor for information about your school's offerings.

Click on the link below to search the library's online catalog.

[Advanced placement programs \(Education\) – Examinations – Study guides](#)

The **College-Level Examination Program (CLEP)** enables students to earn college credit for what they already know, whether learned in school, through independent study or through experiences outside of the classroom. (Go to <https://clep.collegeboard.org/> for more information.)

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[College Entrance Examination Board, College-Level Examination Program](#)

Standardized Tests

Standardized Tests are required for admission into some schools. Standardized tests are used by colleges and universities to help evaluate an applicant's readiness for admission or to place them in appropriate courses. The more frequently used tests include ACT of American College Testing, Inc. and the College Board's SAT.

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[ACT Assessment -- Study guides](#) - A standardized college entrance examination that measures knowledge and skills in English, mathematics, reading and science reasoning and the application of these skills to future academic

Preparation for College

With a little focus you can make some improvements while you're still in high school.

MAKE THE GRADE *Make the Grade* by Lesley Schwartz Martin
Call Number: YA 371.302 Mar
Every teacher, every school, and every student can make a difference, but

The resources suggested are intended to help both Traditional and Non-Traditional students guide their research and ultimately, make an educated decision about their future.

This guide is not all-inclusive and should in no way serve as a substitute for your own, self-directed research.

Please feel free call the **Reference desk** at **(845) 485-3445 x3702** with questions or to request materials.