

Earn an SSCC degree in 18 months with new evening accelerated program

With Southern State Community College's new accelerated associate degree programs, students can spend just two nights per week in class—and finish in 18 months.

The time toward a college degree can be shortened by pursuing SSCC's Accelerated Associate of Arts (AA) or Accelerated Associate of Science (AS). The AA and AS are both considered transfer degrees, providing the first two years of study toward a bachelor's degree.

Students who choose the accelerated program will be enrolled in fall semester classes from 6-10:05 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays from Aug. 18 through Dec. 10, all on the college's Central Campus in Hillsboro.

The new program begins fall semester with a two-day Accelerated Seminar, then follows with a slate of five-week-long courses, including Introduction to the Arts, English Composition I and II, Fundamentals of Effective Speech, and American Literature to 1865.

Benefits of the new Accelerated Associate Degree program include:

- **A Degree in 18 Months** – A traditional associate degree program typically takes two years to complete; the accelerated option gets students to degree completion sooner.
- **Two Evenings Per Week** – Classes are held Tuesday and Thursday evenings, allowing students to work around family needs and full-time job obligations.
- **Hybrid Classes** – Half of the course time will be spent in a classroom setting, while the other half will be completed online through readings, activities, and discussions.
- **Learning Community** – Participants move through the accelerated program with the same group, or cohort, of students which builds a supportive learning community.
- **Cost Savings** – Less time in school means more savings for students.

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