Summer College Visits

Summer is a great time to visit the transfer schools you are considering. The best way to identify the colleges that are a right fit for you is to get on campus and talk to the staff and students! Arrange for a tour of the campus by calling the school or visiting its website.

Undecided On Where To Transfer?

Start researching immediately! Meet early (and often) with a CLC counselor to discuss transfer planning and to identify potential schools that are right for your goals. Also, utilize the resources available on the CLC Transfer Website: www.clcillinois.edu/depts/cou/transfer

The sooner you know your transfer school's requirements, the better prepared you will be to enroll in the right courses at CLC. Our goal is to help you have a seamless and successful transfer experience!

Free Transfer Planning Workbook and Info Sheet is available from the Counseling, Advising and Transfer Center. Just Ask!

Summer is a good time to...

- take an extra class and get on track for transfer.
- visit colleges and universities.
- investigate possible careers. (see a counselor for career counseling)
- volunteer/work in your desired career area. (Build your resume and learn more about your future career)
- rest and prepare for fall classes!

Summer employment tips on back.
Getting the Right Summer Job

In a tight economy, just getting a summer job can be an accomplishment. But it never hurts to start your job search with the goal of finding a job that will either help build your resume for future work or help you understand your strengths, interests and career goals better.

Here are some helpful questions to ask yourself as you look for a summer job:

- What special skills and talents do I have now?
- What can I offer an employer?
- What career am I considering? How would this job help advance that career? (Your answer might be something as basic as “learning how to work with people.”)

If you're not sure what career you might like, start with some basic questions:

- Do I like working independently or as part of a team?
- Do I like working indoors or outdoors?
- What are my interests? For example, if you love math, perhaps you might find a job as a math tutor.

The idea is to look for job opportunities that are a good fit to your personality, interests and goals.

Job Ideas

For Lake County area students, some popular summer job employers include: Six Flags Great America, resorts and hotels, park districts, construction companies, banks, landscapers and child care providers. Even if the job you find is a low or entry-level position, you can still learn valuable skills for your future career. For example, working for a hotel or resort can help you decide if the hospitality industry is right for you. Construction work might help you decide if being a builder or architect is a good career path.

Job Resources

Web-based resources are abundant when researching summer jobs. Here are a few to get you started:

- The Department of Labor Summer Job program: www.dol.gov/summerjobs
- CollegeHelpers.com (job postings free to students): www.collegehelpers.com
- CLC’s Job Center: www.clcillinois.edu/community/jobcenter.asp
- CLC’s Career and Placement Services: www.clcillinois.edu/depts/cps.asp