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# *Bulletin*



**This is Western**

**WESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE KALAMAZOO**

Michigan community. There are now more than 5,750 persons studying on its campus, and Field Service classes reach another 2,000 persons in 16 Western Michigan counties.

Western Michigan is fully accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and is a member of the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education.

It is on the approved lists of the Association of American Universities and the American Association of University Women. The Music department is an accredited member of the National Association of Schools of Music. The departments of Occupational Therapy, Business Administration, and nearly all others are affiliated with major national organizations.

## Courses of Study

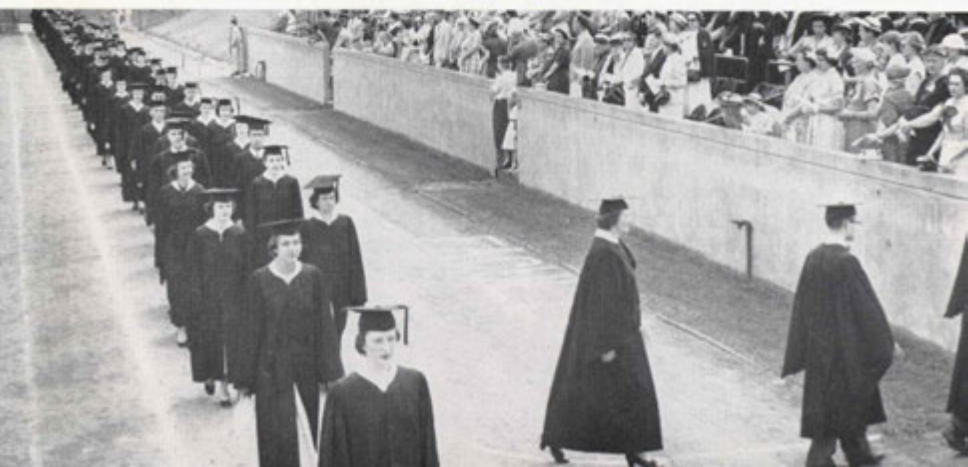
What have you chosen as a vocation? Western Michigan College offers programs of study which give training for many professions and vocations. Some of these courses of study are based on two years of college work and lead to a certificate indicating successful completion of the program. Four years of college study are required for a bachelor's degree, the particular degree being determined by the curriculum you choose.

Programs of study are offered which lead to the following degrees and certificates:

- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Business Administration
- Bachelor of Science
- Bachelor of Music
- State Limited Certificate (two-year rural program)
- State Elementary Provisional Certificate
- State Secondary Provisional Certificate
- Junior College Permanent Certificate

If you choose a program of study that leads to one of the first three of these degrees, you will have to include certain prescribed work in language and literature, in science and in the social sciences,

Academic regalia and the proud smiles  
of parents mark the end of a long journey



so that you may acquire some of the skills which are an essential part of the learning of all educated people and which will help you to live more intelligently in a free society. We speak of this work as "general education" or a program of "basic studies." Therefore, in general, all students take similar courses in the first year. It is often possible, however, for a student in one of the specialized curricula to meet his general education requirements by taking courses that pertain especially to his particular curriculum.

In your second year you may select courses more closely related to your curriculum. During your third and fourth years you will receive the professional training you will need for your particular vo-



Pencils and test tubes are ready instruments for the curious student

cation as you work more intensively in the fields of your special interest.

The program that leads to the bachelor of music degree is specialized. The details are provided in the music bulletin.

When you apply for admission, you may choose one of the following curricula:

### General

The General curriculum leads to a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree without a teaching certificate. This is the curriculum you will choose if you want to do work in a liberal arts program or a pre-professional program not otherwise listed.

### Pre-Professional

In the fields listed below you will be able to get pre-professional work before entering a particular professional school for more highly



specialized training. In some of these areas you will be able to do four years of work at Western, in others only one or two.

1. Agriculture—two years
2. Dentistry—up to four years
3. Engineering—up to four years
4. Forestry—two years
5. Journalism—two years
6. Law—up to four years
7. Medicine—up to four years
8. Medical Technology—three years
9. Mortuary Science—two years
10. Nursing—one or two years
11. Pharmacy—one year
12. Theology—up to four years

### **Non-Teaching**

Four years of study will lead to the bachelor of arts, bachelor of science, or other degrees, as indicated.

1. Airline Hostess
2. Air Transportation
3. Automotive Transportation
4. Business Administration—leads to Bachelor of Business Administration Degree
5. Dietetics
6. Industrial Distribution
7. Industrial Supervision
8. Librarianship
9. Music—Bachelor of Music Degree without teaching certificate
10. Occupational Therapy
11. Paper Technology—technical and manufacturing areas sales and management areas
12. Social Work—leads to a degree and certificate in Social Work

### **Teacher Education**

Teacher Education curricula lead to Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degrees and State Provisional Certificates, except the two-year Rural Curriculum which leads to a diploma and a State Limited Certificate.

1. Elementary—grades Kindergarten through eight
2. Business Teacher Training
3. Home Economics
4. Industrial Arts
5. Librarianship—for school librarians
6. Music—general supervision instrumental or vocal supervisor
7. Occupational Therapy—with State Elementary Provisional Certificate
8. Rural Life and Education—four-year programs  
Elementary—Leading to State Provisional  
Secondary—Certificate and degree

9. Secondary—grades 7 through 12, with emphasis in certain chosen subject areas
10. Special Education—Deaf and Hard of Hearing  
Mentally Handicapped  
Occupational Therapy  
Speech Correction
11. Vocational Distributive Education
12. Vocational and Industrial Teacher Training—Trade and Industrial teachers for secondary schools

### Terminal-Two Year

These courses of study usually terminate at the end of two years of work at Western with a certificate of achievement. You may, however, at that time apply for admission to a four-year curriculum. If admitted, the work taken in the two-year curricula may be used as a basis for majors and minors, provided that both curricula are in the same area.

#### 1. Business Studies

Secretarial—cooperative program  
Retailing—cooperative program  
Technical Business—  
Accounting  
General Business



Students practice proper sales techniques in retailing laboratory store

Salesmanship later is taken into a downtown store for actual experience





Student artists get new thrills  
in exhibiting their work in annual show

- Secretarial
- Salesmanship
- Clerical
- Small Business Management
- 2. Homemaking
- 3. Industrial Technology
  - Aircraft Maintenance
  - Automotive Maintenance
  - Drafting—Design
  - Electrical and Electronics
  - Machine Tool
  - Radio and Television
  - Refrigeration, Air Conditioning, Heating

## Counselling

After you have been admitted to Western, you will be assigned a counselor according to your curriculum. He will assist you in arranging your schedule for your first semester and help you plan your program of study for the rest of your college career. Your counselor will always be glad to talk with you. Feel free to consult him at any time about any matter.

## Sample Freshman Schedule

For your first semester your program of classes will probably include:

An English course .....	3 or 4 hours
A science course .....	4 hours
A social science course .....	4 hours
A course in your major or minor field .....	3 or 4 hours
Physical Education or ROTC .....	1 or 2 hours
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	15 to 18 hours

## Majors and Minors

You may elect majors and minors in the following subject areas. In some areas it is possible to have a major or a minor; in some, only a minor. Your counselor and your departmental advisors will help you make a choice.

Accounting	French
Agriculture	General Business
Art	General Shop
Aviation	Geography
Automotive Maintenance	German
Biology	History
Business Management	Home Economics
Business Studies	Industrial Arts
Chemistry	Industrial Distribution
Dietetics	Industrial Supervision
Drafting	Insurance
Earth Science	Latin
Economics	Librarianship
Electricity & Electronics	Machine Shop
English	Mathematics

McCracken hall is the campus home for paper technology, chemistry, physics, occupational therapy, art and home economics





Mechanical Drawing  
 Metal Work  
 Music  
 Occupational Therapy  
 Office Supervision  
 Paper Technology  
 Personnel Management  
 Philosophy  
 Physical Education  
 Physics  
 Political Science  
 Printing & Graphic Arts  
 Psychology  
 Radio & TV  
 Refrigeration, Air Condition-  
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 Retailing  
 Rural Life & Education

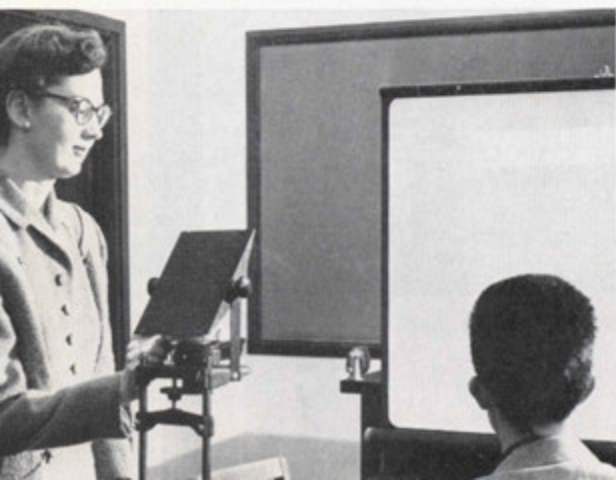
Salesmanship  
 Science  
 Secretarial  
 Secretarial Administration  
 Social Science  
 Social Work  
 Spanish  
 Special Education—Mentally  
 Handicapped  
 Special Education—Speech  
 Correction  
 Speech  
 Vocational Distributive Edu-  
 cation  
 Vocational-Industrial Teach-  
 ing  
 Woodwork

## Student Services

Western Michigan College provides a wide range of student services. If you desire to improve your reading skill, you may attend the reading laboratory in the Psycho-Educational Clinic which is maintained in the Health Service Building. This clinic has achieved national fame for its corrective reading program. Clinic personnel are eager to measure your reading rate and comprehension and to design a personal improvement program for you. Your program will be geared to your current studies; you will not be burdened with drills that are not pertinent to your immediate needs.

A nationally-known speech clinic at Western Michigan College works extensively with speech disorders and handicaps. This clinic is designed not only to aid those with difficulties, but to serve as an instructional laboratory if you plan to teach speech correction.

The English Department maintains a writing clinic which is designed to give you individual attention and specialized assistance if you have writing difficulties.



Assistance in reading  
 is available to all  
 students through the  
 Psycho-Educational Clinic

It is possible to arrange through the student personnel office for vocational aptitude tests. These tests are not the final answer as to what vocational field you may enter, but they have been found to give a good indication of where your abilities and interests might lead you.

To care for your general health, the Health Service operates on both campuses. Its principle offices are in the Health Service building on the East Campus, with a branch in the West Campus Administration building. Specialists are readily available for needed consultation.

Stores on both campuses provide a convenient place for you to purchase books and other supplies for classroom work and residence hall living.

For your convenience, in addition to the dining facilities available in residence halls, soda bars and cafeterias are maintained in the Walwood Union Building and the Arcadia Brook Clubhouse. There is a snack bar in Vandercook Hall.

Also for your convenience, the college operates a free shuttle bus service between the two campuses five days a week during class hours.



Between campus rides are free to all students on the popular shuttle bus, with Eddie at the wheel

Special transportation is usually provided for events held away from the general campus area, and also for those who wish to attend Sunday worship services downtown.

A number of services are provided by the students themselves. Each fall the Student Council publishes a student and faculty directory and *The Western Way*, your guidebook to campus policies and organizations.

## Student Activities

You will soon learn that there are many activities on the campus to claim your attention. You will become a member of the Associated Women Students (A.W.S.) or the Men's Union when you enroll in the college. Seven social sororities (all national) and seven social fraternities (most of them national) have chapters on the campus. Several honorary and service organizations and numerous departmental



Name bands or records—students enjoy dances sponsored frequently on the campus

clubs and religious groups will make it possible for you to find a place for yourself in student activities.

When you come to Western, you will be encouraged to become acquainted with other students through participation in traditional campus social events. The college social calendar lists all social activities, including class and group activities as well as the all-school events such as Homecoming, Greek Week, Religious Emphasis Week, the Freshman Carnival, the Cotillion Ball, the weekly Friday and Saturday dances and parties (some formal, some informal), the weekly A.W.S. Koffee Klub (for all students), the Men's Union Co-ed Days, and open houses at the residence halls.

As a student at Western you will be proud of the friendly relationship between students and faculty in sharing the responsibility of planning and carrying out campus activities. You will be impressed by the degree to which students share in the management of student-centered activities through the many committees of the Student Council, the A.W.S. Judicial Board and the Men's Union Student Court.

Each week during the college year the *Western Herald* is published to provide you with a convenient news source and outlet. The paper is student controlled; the faculty provide only advisory assistance. The same procedure is followed in publishing the college yearbook, *The Brown and Gold*. Editors and business managers are salaried.

You will also enjoy the services of the inter-dormitory broadcasting station, WIDR, which is entirely student operated including managers, announcers, directors and engineers.

The 'Marching 100' have become a proud tradition on a campus famed for its music

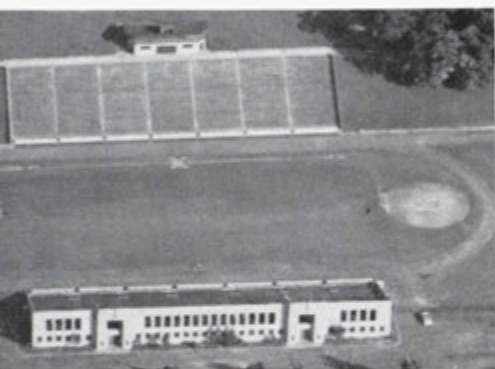




## Athletics

Whether your interest in athletics is as a competitor or as a spectator, you will find a ready outlet. There are sports activities throughout the whole school year.

Western Michigan College is a member of the Mid-American Conference, which ranks as a major national conference in basketball and baseball and offers its member schools a stiff program of competition. Bronco teams are among the leaders in the number of titles captured since the close of World War II. Other members are Miami University, Ohio University, Marshall College, Bowling Green State University, Kent State University and Toledo University.



Waldo Stadium is one segment of a growing athletic plant, a link between the two campuses

Football will be under way when college opens in the fall. Much of the season's social schedule centers around the gridiron—especially Homecoming in October which features many college activities, games, parades, dances and reunions. Students always congregate in the Southeast stands of Waldo stadium for football, a sport in which Bronco teams have distinguished themselves well in past years.

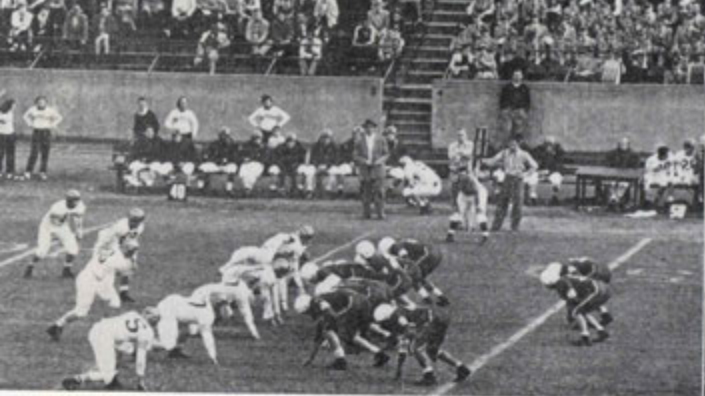
Cross-country also has its spot in the fall picture, with Bronco harriers competing in the conference and other regional meets.

In basketball, the major sport of the winter season, the Broncos have been nationally renowned for many years. Rivalry is particularly keen within the conference and games with other top Midwestern teams complete the schedule.

Basketball is played in the men's gymnasium on the East campus, although plans are being completed for a large field house soon to be constructed on the West campus adjoining the new men's physical education building. This new building houses gym classes and classes for academic instruction in physical education. It includes a modern swimming pool, and an intercollegiate swimming program is to be introduced.

Indoor track begins during the basketball season and is carried over into the outdoor season in the spring when athletic activity in-





Gridiron and hardwood court are among the elements helping to mold fine coaches

creases. Trackmen have finished third once in the Mid-American Conference, and have held the runner-up position in all other years. Representatives are entered in major Mid-western meets, and home meets feature top performers.

Western Michigan is certainly one of the principal collegiate baseball centers in the United States. In the spring of 1955 Western's nine was the runner-up for the National Collegiate Athletic Association title, and in 1952 was tied for third. The baseball schedule always includes a heavy home slate, with games played in Hyames field, one of the finest collegiate baseball stadiums in the nation. The Mid-American Conference title has frequently come to the local campus.

Spring also brings out the tennis squad. In recent years tennis has reached new heights as a competitive sport. The Broncos have won numerous MAC crowns, and the 1954 team placed third in the Eastern Intercollegiate meet. A trip south in the spring is one of the season's highlights. Tennis courts for varsity and general student use are located along Davis Street on the East campus, and more courts are being built on the West campus.

Western's golfers also head south in the spring. Golf teams have captured one conference title and continue well up in the play. Regular practice is held on the fine eighteen-hole Milham Park Municipal course, and Western owns a nine-hole golf course adjacent to the West campus. Students may play there in season at reduced rates.

Competition is keen on the cinder path and diamond where champions are fashioned



Freshmen will find all varsity sports duplicated for them, with intensive scheduling offering them a fine opportunity for instruction and for improving their chances in varsity competition as sophomores.

Of course, no athletic program is right for the student body if it does not include a thorough intramural program. Such is the practice for both men and women.

## ROTC

If you are interested in a commission as a second lieutenant in the Army, investigate the full four-year general military science program which is now being conducted at Western Michigan College. The Army provides a staff of instructors and uniforms for the more than 300 male students enrolled. The Army also provides a small pay allowance for junior and senior students. There are opportunities for interested and proficient students to participate with the drill team, the Pershing Rifles and the ROTC varsity rifle team. A six weeks' program in an ROTC summer camp is a requirement to complete the full course.



A year's drill  
culminates in the  
annual spring review

You may apply for admission by securing an application from your high school principal or by writing directly to the registrar of this college. All applicants should fill out part one of the application. It should then be given to your high school principal, who will complete the application and send it to the registrar. If you wish to transfer from another college, you should also ask the college from which you are transferring to forward a transcript of your record to the registrar, Western Michigan College.

You may apply any time previous to the registration date, although it is much preferred that you do this at least 30 days in advance of registration. If you are a high school senior, you should apply in your final semester and then request your principal to send a transcript of the final semester's grades to the registrar immediately after graduation. You may apply for admission at the beginning of either semester or summer session. You may be admitted under any one of the following conditions:

1. Upon presentation by your high school principal of an acceptable high school record.



Draper-Siedschlag and Spindler residences for women provide a homelike atmosphere for college living

2. Upon satisfactory completion of prescribed examinations if your high school record is unsatisfactory.
3. Upon recommendation under the Secondary School-College Agreement Program.
4. With advanced standing upon presentation of an acceptable high school and college record from an accredited college or university.
5. As a County Normal graduate with an acceptable college record.
6. As a special student: (a) a person twenty-one years of age or older who may be unable to furnish other credentials upon which his admission might be based; or (b) a graduate of a four-year college who presents proper credentials, and is not seeking a degree or certificate at Western.
7. As a guest student: a regularly matriculated student at another college who does not plan to earn a degree at Western Michigan College.

## Housing for Women

Unless you are living at home or with close relatives, or unless other arrangements are approved for you, you will be required to live in one of the college residence halls if you are not yet 25 years of age. Direct all requests for special consideration to the office of the Dean of Women.

The residence halls for women are Spindler Hall, Draper Hall, Siedschlag Hall, Davis Hall and Zimmerman Hall. To make a reservation for housing, write to the Dean of Women. Your application must be accompanied by a \$10 deposit. (Please send this deposit by check or money order, made out to Western Michigan College). The deposit does not apply on the dormitory fees and will be returned to you according to the terms of the contract you will receive with your reservation for housing.





Vandercook hall (top) has rooms only for men; A new residence for men (top right) will be ready in the fall of 1956

Spacious, modern dining is provided for girls living in Davis, Zimmerman halls



## Housing for Men

The residence halls for men are Ernest Burnham and Smith Burnham Halls (room and board), Walwood Hall (room and board) and Vandercook Hall (room only).

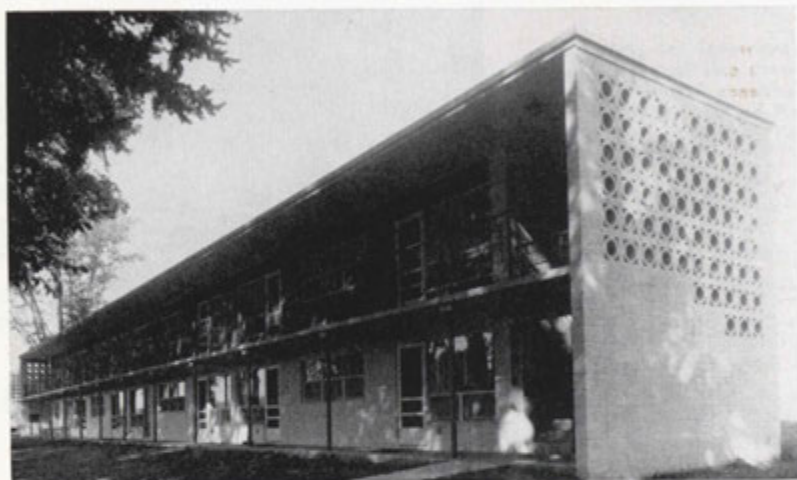
Under construction and planned for occupancy in the fall of 1956 is a new residence hall for 440 men. Located on the west campus, it is the first of four such proposed buildings, which will form a semi-circle around the new student center, now under construction.

All freshmen men not living at home are required to live in college residence halls when facilities are available, unless other arrangements are made which are approved by the Dean of Men. Sophomores and upper classmen may live off campus but only in residences approved by the Dean of Men, who will furnish you a list of these approved rooms upon request. To make a reservation for housing on campus, write to the Dean of Men. Your application must be accompanied by a \$10 deposit. (Please send this deposit by check or money order, made out to Western Michigan College). The deposit does not apply on the dormitory fees and will be returned to you according to the terms of the contract you will receive with your reservation for housing.



## Married Student Housing

Ninety-six units in the Elmwood Apartments and thirty units in temporary buildings constitute the housing available to married students on the campus. All of this housing is currently occupied, but if you are a married male student and you expect to stay at Western to complete your degree, you may make inquiries concerning these apartments at the office of the Dean of Men. Insofar as possible the office of the Dean of Men will also try to help you find suitable housing off-campus.



A new concept in housing for married students has brought national recognition to Western Michigan

## Costs

Cost per semester—Resident of Michigan :

Tuition and Fees	Board and Room	Music
\$90	\$286	\$60 one hour per week of instruction

Cost per semester—Non-Resident

Tuition and Fees	Board and Room	Music
\$137.50	\$286	\$60 one hour per week of instruction

Tuition, fees and the initial payment of \$125 for board and room are payable on the first day of registration. All dormitory charges include board, except the charge for Vandercook Hall for men which is \$90 per semester.

If you are a Michigan resident, you will need \$805 per year for board and room, tuition, fees and books. If you are an out-of-state

student, the basic cost will be \$95 per year more. Books and supplies will average approximately \$50 per year. Personal expenses vary with the individual. Beyond these figures you will need to consider laundry, incidentals, extra clothing, and transportation to and from home.

## Scholarships

A number of undergraduate scholarships, grants-in-aid, and loan funds are available for those who can meet the qualifications established by the donors. A large number of tuition scholarships, which pay \$95 per year, are available for students who plan to go into Teacher Education. There are also several competitive scholarships established largely for incoming freshmen. Upon request the registrar will send you a bulletin which contains detailed information about scholarships and grants-in-aid and how you may apply for them. Your high school principal may also have information concerning available scholarships.

## Employment

Many students — both men and women — earn at least part of their expenses while they are attending college. You can obtain information about jobs from the Dean of Women and the Dean of Men. A partial list of the types of work in which students are engaged follows:

### Work on the Campus

- In cafeterias and snack bars
- In residence halls as counselors, proctors and telephone switchboard operators
- In college offices as secretaries
- In college maintenance as custodians and groundsmen
- In service work at college functions

### Work Off-Campus

- In retail business



New religious opportunities await students in the modern Kanley Memorial Chapel



Thespians and orators walk the stage of the theatre, center for numerous dramatic activities.

In factories

In homes—child care and other domestic work

In service agencies, hospitals and governmental units

We recommend that you plan to meet the major portion of your first semester's expenses with money you have on hand. Most students find that adjustment to college life is sufficiently difficult without working several hours daily in addition. You should realize that you cannot do good college work if employment interferes with your study time. If it is necessary for you to earn all or part of your expenses, you should plan to take fewer courses each semester and allow an extra semester or summer session to complete your college program.

## College 'Terms'

Here are some college terms which may need a little explanation.  
Course—a subject of study which you take for a semester or a year.

Each course has a name and a number; for example, one of the freshman courses is called Communication 104A.

Hours of credit—the measure of your course work—the number of hours assigned to each subject. Communication 104A meets four periods a week and gives four hours of credit. A first year chemistry course (Chemistry 100A) meets for three recitation periods and two double-period laboratory sessions a week and gives four hours of credit. You will need to earn 124 hours of credit to obtain a bachelor's degree.

Majors and minors—the subjects in which you decide to do specialized study. A major includes a minimum of 24 hours in

that field, a minor at least 15 hours. Your counselor will help you in selecting your majors and minors.

Electives—courses which you may choose to take which are not required in your major or minors, or are not specific graduation requirements in your particular curriculum.

The OCA Test—the Ohio College Ability Test which you take when you come to the campus to be counseled and to plan your program. The OCA Test is nothing to fear; it helps us to understand you and your abilities and serves as a guide in selecting the right courses for you.

## Tentative Calendar

### Semester I, 1956-57

Registration and enrollment—Tuesday and Wednesday, September 18 and 19

Classes begin Thursday, September 20

Thanksgiving recess—November 22 to 25

Christmas recess—December 17 to Wednesday, January 2

Final examinations—January 25 to February 1

### Semester II, 1956-57

Registration—Monday, February 4

Classes begin Tuesday, February 5

Spring vacation—March 30 to April 7

Final examinations—June 1 to 7

The semester ends June 8

Summer session—June 17 to July 27

Post Session—July 29 to August 10

## Office Hours

College offices are open from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 8:00 to 12:00 Saturday morning.



## Directions for Correspondence

### Admissions Officer

Admissions, College literature, Credits, Provisional certificates, Scholarships and Transcripts

### Comptroller

Business and financial arrangements

### Dean of Men or Dean of Women

Student housing and part-time employment

### Director of Field Services

Adult Education, In-Service courses and credits, Consultative services to schools, Speakers for special occasions

### Director of the Graduate Division

Graduate offerings

### Director of Personnel and Guidance

Counselling and guidance

### Director of Placement

Teacher placement

### Director of the Summer Session

Summer session offerings

### Director of the Division of Military Science

R.O.T.C.

### Director of the Division of Rural Life and Education

Rural life and education, the community college-cooperative teacher education program and State limited certificates

### Director of the Division of Teacher Education

Permanent certification and professional courses

### Director of the Division of Vocational and Practical Arts

Matters relating to vocational education

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