

Chicago State University offers a Bachelor's degree program designed to provide nontraditional students an opportunity to earn an undergraduate degree in a manner compatible with their educational needs and lifestyles. This program recognizes that adult students may have attended a variety of educational institutions and accepts transfer of passing coursework taken at other regionally accredited colleges and universities. Students may also apply for academic credit through the preparation of a prior learning portfolio, which documents specific college-level knowledge gained through non-academic pursuits that can be related to CSU courses. Additionally, nontraditional degree students are encouraged to use the College Level Examination Program (CLEP), the Excelsior Examinations, and other testing programs.

The Adult Integrated Learning Program is not an appropriate program for licensure in a professional field such as teaching or health services. Persons desiring such credentials should apply for admission to the appropriate department or college within the University.

Students with baccalaureate degrees from regionally accredited colleges or universities may not be admitted to the Adult Integrated Learning Degree Program.

Application Procedures

- 1.) Attendance at a prospective students' meeting is required for all new students in order to receive program guidelines and university admission requirements.
- 2.) Complete an Undergraduate Application to Chicago State University. This application is required for all new incoming students, currently enrolled students, or students who previously attended this university.
- 3.) Complete a personal Student Data Form. This form is placed in the student's academic file.
- 4.) Students currently enrolled or previously enrolled in Chicago State University must submit a Program Identification Codes Form signed by the student and the previous departmental advisor.
- 5.) Students NOT previously admitted to Chicago State University must submit official transcripts from all other colleges and universities attended. Those with fewer than 24 semester hours of college credit must also submit a high school transcript or its equivalent.
- 6.) Once a student's file is completed, a decision will be made on the application by the Dean of the program.

Students will be notified of the admission decision to the Adult Integrated Learning (AIL) Program through a letter issued either from the office of Admissions (for new and returning students to the university), or the Office of Continuing Education and Non-Traditional Degree Programs.

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