### Get even more free college credit — Dual Enrollment & Advanced Placement

In addition to the articulated credits you may earn from Career Pathway programs, you may also enroll in Polk State's Dual Enrollment program or take Advanced Placement (AP) courses at your high school. Check with your guidance counselor or a Polk State advisor to see if you are eligible, if courses are available at your high school or whether you might attend classes at a Polk State campus.

polk.edu/dualenrollment

Pathway to your Bachelor's at Polk State



Once you've completed a Polk State associate's degree, not only will you have the technical skills to get a job, you can continue, full-time or part-time, at Polk State to complete a bachelor's degree program.

- Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education
- Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing
- Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice
- Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Administration
- Bachelor of Science in Professional Pilot Science
- Bachelor of Applied Science in Supervision
   Management

polk.edu/bachelor

#### **Tampa Bay Career Pathways Consortium**

## Search for your Career Pathway Program at careerpathways.me

The Tampa Bay Career Pathways Consortium is a partnership between post-secondary and secondary schools around the Tampa Bay region, including Hillsborough, Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sarasota, and Manatee counties. Students who completed a career or technical program in one of these counties and are interested in pursuing the next level of their education should visit **careerpathways.me** for more information about participating schools and potential free college credit.



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through your high school academy or technical college programs.

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## The Career Pathways for Public Service Initiative presents Civics Career Academies

The Career Pathways for Public Service Initiative is part of the greater Civic Literacy Excellence Initiative launched by Governor Ron DeSantis in July 2021. The goal of the initiative is to create Civics Career Academies in local high schools to create a pathway for students to work in the public sector.

Set to launch during the 2023-2024 school year, Civics Career Academies will be available at the following locations:



Auburndale Senior High School

Polk State Chain of Lakes Collegiate High School
Ft. Meade Middle-Senior High School
Polk State Lakeland Gateway to College
Collegiate High School
Kathleen Senior High School
Polk State Lakeland Collegiate High School
Mulberry Senior High School
Ridge Community High School
Winter Haven Senior High School





Students who participate in the Academies will have the opportunity to earn an industry certification in Project Management and earn credit towards their A.S. degree at Polk State College. The four courses in the Academies are:

- Public Service Leadership Learn how leadership is practiced and experienced in the public sector.
- Public Service Careers and Communication –
  Discover the broad range of careers in the public
  service and nonprofit sectors. The course will
  align with the Florida Civics and Debate Initiative
  to incorporate the communication and debate
  skills needed to advocate within the government
  and non-profit organizations.
- Public Service Experiential Learning and Project Management – Complete an industry certification through Certiport called PMI Project Management Ready™.
- Public Service Research Address public sector issues by completing a research project that will culminate in a substantive research paper and presentation of findings to a stakeholder audience.



# Completion of the Academies prepares graduates for positions including:

- Grant Manager
- Program Analyst and Support Staff
- Permitting Specialist
- Policy Analyst/Government Affairs
- Human Resource Support Specialist
- Project Manager/Caseworker
- Procurement Specialist
- City/County Manager

For more information, please check out our website at polk.edu/career-pathways

