

Section 401 - Admissions

401.1 General Admissions for high school graduates and applicants 18 and older

Lower Columbia College has an "open door" admission policy which admits any graduate of a high school or an individual who is at least 18 years of age and who holds a Certificate of Educational Competence.

Applicants who do not meet the above requirements, but who are at least 18 years of age, may be granted admission by the chief student services administrator or designee. Admission in such cases is based on the applicant's general educational development and ability to benefit.

Because of the large number of students seeking admission, admission is generally granted on a "first-come, first-served" basis for as many students as the various programs can accommodate. Some programs may require satisfactory completion of certain pre-requisites prior to admission and some may have special admission policies.

401.2 Special Admission for students under 18 years of age

Applicants under age 18 may be admitted to Lower Columbia College if they are deemed able to benefit from the curricular offerings. Admission may be to individual courses or to a program as determined by admissions officials.

This policy is intended to expand opportunities for younger, qualified students who may not be enrolled in Running Start or other local student enrollment option programs. Moreover, the intent of this policy is not to replace or duplicate the functions of local public schools.

Historic Information

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- Reviewed by the Cabinet and Leadership Team - November 2008
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Resource/Reference/Procedure	Title	Unit Responsibility
WAC 132M-160-010	Admission	VP Student Services/Registrar
Procedure 400.1A	Deceased Student Notification	