The University Center @ Chipola

The University Center collaborates with four-year universities and colleges to bring Bachelor and Graduate Degree opportunities to Chipola’s campus and to assist students in their efforts to pursue those degrees. University personnel teach all of the classes and the universities award the degrees. University Center programs provide students with a rigorous university experience in the supportive, student-centered atmosphere to which Chipola students are accustomed. University Center students have access to Chipola’s computer labs, library, and other facilities, just as Chipola students do.

The following degree programs will be offered in cooperation with the University Center during the 2006-2007 school year. Class schedules for on-campus degrees are posted on the University Center Web-site as they become available. The site contains extensive information about all University Center programs.

Florida State University Panama City Campus

RN to BSN – This program is designed for practicing RN’s with the Associate Degree in Nursing. FSU Panama City is proud to offer this program on the Chipola College campus. Our program has been designed to meet the needs of student working fulltime and trying to meet career goals.

Masters in Nursing – This program is available for Registered Nurses who hold a BS in Nursing Degree. This graduate degree prepares nurses to assume administrative and advanced practice roles. Program Coordinator: Angie White 850-718-2419 whitea@chipola.edu

University of West Florida - UWF Bachelors Degrees

BA in Special/Elementary Education – This program will comprehensively train pre-service teachers to serve both in the elementary and special education settings. A large component of practical experience in elementary classrooms will be incorporated into the curriculum. This program is NCATE/DOE approved. Classes are offered in the afternoon and evenings on Chipola’s campus. Program Coordinator: Yvonne Melzer 718-2361 ymelzer@uwf.edu

BA in Criminal Justice: This degree offers an interdisciplinary, issue-oriented program focusing upon the issues of crime, law enforcement, corrections, and the criminal justice system. The program offers day, evening and Saturday courses on Chipola’s campus. Program Advisor: Rosa Jones 850-474-3228 rjones@uwf.edu

BS in Social Work: This versatile and nationally recognized degree enables graduates to work with diverse groups in a wide variety of settings. Social workers are professionals who help individuals, groups, or communities by obtaining services, providing counseling, and improving social and health services. Classes are taught in the evening on Chipola’s campus. Students receive hands-on training and experience in two field placements, often leading to full-time employment. Program participants also have access to local, state, and national involvement in social work issues through NASW, the professional organization for social workers. Program Coordinator: Sherri Stone 850-526-2761 Ext. 3356 stones@chipola.edu

BS in Information Engineering Technology - On-line degree: Information Engineering Technology (IET) emphasizes networking and telecommunications skills necessary to support organizations as they globally connect to support customers, clients and their workforce. IET graduates can design websites, develop project management strategies, work in educational settings, work with managers and other professionals to integrate technology into organizations and interface with technical and non-technical collaborators. For information contact: Dr. Kitty Myers 850-718-2276 or James Bailey 850-718-2452.

Masters, Educational Specialist, and Educational Doctorate degrees in Educational Leadership with Administrative Certification and/or Curriculum and Instruction. UWF offers graduate degrees for individuals in education fields. Contact Dr. Sherri Zimmerman 850-863-0730 szimmerman@uwf.edu for more information.

Troy State University, Florida Region

Masters in Counseling and Psychology: Courses are taught in the evenings and on Saturdays on Chipola’s campus. Students must have a Bachelors degree to enroll in the program. Program Coordinator: Lisa Kitto 850-283-4449 lkitto@troy.edu

It is the goal of the University Center to increase the number of degrees available to area residents and to expand university participation in this endeavor. Consequently, the Center’s offerings will change and evolve over time.

For information on the University Center contact Dr. Kitty Myers at 850-718-2276 or myersk@chipola.edu and visit the University Center web-site at Chipola’s homepage, http://www.chipola.edu/university_center

Baccalaureate Degree Programs

Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education - Mathematics
Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education - Biology
Bachelor of Science in Middle School Education - Science
Bachelor of Science in Middle School Education - Mathematics

Chipola College’s Mathematics and Science Education degrees prepare students to teach math or science in middle or high school settings. All graduates are state certified.

If you are interested in becoming a teacher and making a difference in someone’s life, inquire about Chipola’s student-centered environment, small classes, full-time teaching faculty and local internship experiences.

Call about free tuition to the first 20 Juniors/Seniors admitted to the program.

Contact Dr. Kitty Myers at (850) 718-2276 or myersk@chipola.edu or Dr. Lou Cleveland at (850) 718-2416 or clevelandl@chipola.edu for more information or see the Degree Programs section of this catalog.