



**INDIAN RIVER STATE COLLEGE**

*Creating the Future Today*

# Exciting Opportunities on the Treasure Coast!



Indian River State College

Now offering expanded baccalaureate degree programs

# Create Your Future at IRSC

- Multiple baccalaureate degree programs
- Over 7,500 students have enrolled
- Almost 2,000 graduates
- You could be next!



# Benefits of a Bachelor's Degree



- Increase your qualifications for higher pay
- Gain the knowledge and skills you need for career advancement
- **Build a financially secure future**
- Benefit from the respect of others and pride in your accomplishments
- Continuing your education will make a positive, long-term difference in your life – **it is one of the best decisions you will ever make.**

# Earnings by Degree Attainment

## National Average Earnings for Persons 25 Years Old and Over (U.S. Census Bureau, 2011)

– Not a H.S. Grad	\$24,620
– H.S. Grad/GED	\$33,371
– Some College	\$37,931
– Associate's Degree	\$41,144
– <b>Bachelor's Degree</b>	<b>\$59,737</b>
– Master's Degree	\$71,739
– Doctoral Degree	\$107,321
– Professional Degree	\$126,057

# Why Choose IRSC?

## **It's Convenient**

Classes within easy driving distance

## **It's Affordable**

Cost is 40-50 percent less than the per credit cost at Florida public universities

## **It's Designed for You**

You can attend part-time or full-time and take traditional, blended and online classes

## **It's Versatile**

Courses from another college/university can be transferred

## **It's Accessible**

All students who meet admissions standards have the opportunity to enroll

# Bachelor's Degree Programs Offered

## Bachelor of Science Degrees for Future Teachers

- **Elementary Education  
w/ESOL and Reading**
- **Exceptional Student Education  
w/ESOL Fully Online!**
- **Middle Grades Science**
- **High School Biology**
- **Middle Grades Math Fully Online!**
- **High School Math**



*Focusing on demonstrated competencies  
for excellence in classroom teaching*

# Bachelor's Degree Programs Offered



## Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)

*Fully Online!*

*Focusing on increased nursing knowledge and leadership skills*



# Bachelor's Degree Programs Offered



**Bachelor of Applied  
Science (BAS)**

**Organizational  
Management**

**Fully Online!**

***Focusing on skills for supervisory and management positions***

# Bachelor's Degree Programs Offered

**Bachelor of Applied Science  
(BAS) in  
Digital Media**

**Graphic Design/Visual  
Communications**

**Animation/Gaming/Modeling**



*Blending artistic and technical skills for 21<sup>st</sup> Century careers*

# Bachelor's Degree Programs Offered

## Bachelor of Science in Human Services

- **Generalist**
- **Youth and Family Studies**
- **Addictions Studies**



*Helping vulnerable populations and building strong communities*

# Bachelor's Degree Programs Offered

**Bachelor of Science  
In  
Biology**

**Biotechnology/  
Molecular Biology**



*Unlocking the secrets of science to improve health and save lives*

# Bachelor's Degree Programs Offered



## Bachelor of Science In Criminal Justice

*Exploring the causes, impacts, and responses to crime in order  
to build a better society*

# Bachelor's Degree Programs Offered



## Bachelor of Science In Health Care Management

*Teaching tomorrow's leaders to confront the complex challenges of  
health care in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*

# Bachelor's Degree Programs Offered



## Bachelor of Science In Business Administration

*Fully Online!*

*Developing the next generation of entrepreneurs and business executives*

# Bachelor's Degree Programs Offered



## Bachelor of Science In Accounting

*Professional preparation for CPAs, financial managers, & budget analysts*



# Bachelor's Degree Programs Offered

## Bachelor of Science In Public Administration *Fully Online!*

**Public Policy  
and Leadership**

**Emergency Planning  
and Management**

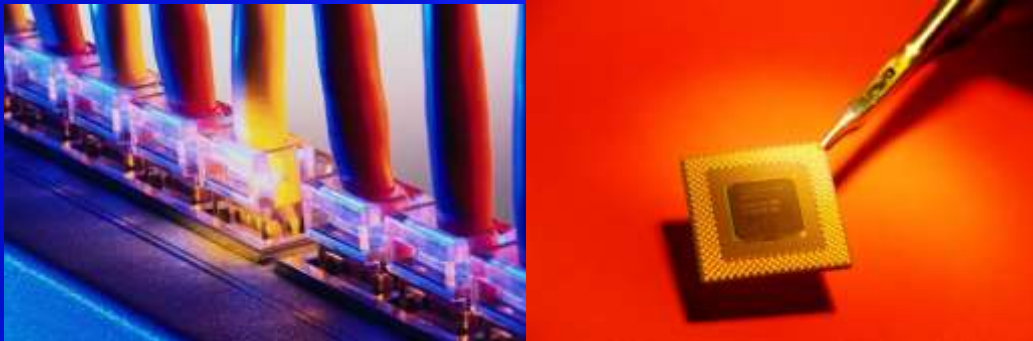


*Preparing effective leaders for careers in government and public service*

# Bachelor's Degree Programs Offered

## Bachelor of Science in IT Management & Cybersecurity

*Fully Online!*



*Investigating the frontiers of computer networking and data security*

# Flexible Pathways to the Baccalaureate Degree

- **Multiple Entry Points**
  - Recent High School Grads
  - Some College
  - Associate Degree from IRSC
  - Degrees from Other Institutions
- **Multiple Completion Points**
  - Certificates
  - Associate Degrees
  - Baccalaureate Degrees




# Advantages of the IRSC 2 + 2 Format

- Open Admission for most Associate Degrees
- Multiple Completion Options
- Accelerated Workforce Entry
- Seamless Transfer of Credits
- One College Culture to Learn
- Stay Close to Home
- **Save Money**
  - **High School Dual Enrollment** (free)
  - **Associate Degree Tuition** (\$103.83 per credit hour)
  - **Bachelor's Degree Tuition** (\$117.10 per credit hour)
  - **Bachelor's Degree Tuition is about 40-50% less than tuition at Florida's state universities**



# Pathway to Baccalaureate Admission

- **Recent High School Grads**
  - Choose *Appropriate Associate Degree*
  - Submit IRSC Application (**no application fee**)
  - Submit High School Transcripts
  - Take College Placement Test or Provide SAT/ACT Scores
  - Upon Completion of Associate Degree 
    - Choose Baccalaureate Degree
  - **Pay \$30 application fee and change major code with an IRSC advisor**

# Pathway to Baccalaureate Admission

- **IRSC A.A. and A.S. Degree Holders**



- Choose your baccalaureate degree program
- **Pay \$30 application fee and change your major code with an IRSC advisor**

# Pathway to Baccalaureate Admission

- **Transferring from another institution with A.A. or A.S. Degree**



- Choose your baccalaureate degree program
- **Submit IRSC application, indicate major code, pay the \$30 application fee**
- Submit transcripts from high school and all colleges attended

# Baccalaureate Admission Requirements



Complete an **appropriate A.A. or A.S. degree** from an accredited institution

Provide documentation to the Admissions Office through **receipt of college transcripts**



# Appropriate Associate Degrees

Education, Biology	=	AA (required)
Nursing	=	AS in Nursing (required)
Organizational Mgmt	=	AA or AS degree
Accounting	=	AA or AS in Accounting Tech preferred
Business Administration	=	AA or AS in Business Tech preferred
Health Care Mgmt	=	AA or AS in Health Care preferred
Human Services	=	AA or AS in Human Services preferred
Digital Media	=	AA or AS in Graphics Technology or Digital Media Technology preferred
Criminal Justice	=	AA or AS in Criminal Justice preferred
Public Administration	=	AA or AS in Public Services preferred
IT Mgmt/Cybersecurity	=	AA or AS in Computer Info Tech preferred

Students with AAS degrees should consult with an IRSC Academic Advisor or Admissions Specialist to discuss the admissions process for bachelor's degree programs

# GPA Admission Requirements

- **2.5** for
  - Education
  - Nursing
- **2.0** for
  - Accounting
  - Biology
  - Business Administration
  - Criminal Justice
  - Digital Media
  - Health Care Management
  - Human Services
  - IT Management & Cybersecurity
  - Organizational Management
  - Public Administration

Mr. Wood

A+ - Excellent, Independent work  
A - Satisfactory Work of Average  
B - Passing But Can Be Improved  
C - Absolute Failure

Days	Department	English	Mathematics	Social Science	Spelling	History
		A	BB	BB	BA	CA
		BB	BB	BA	CB	CB
		BB	BC	CB	CB	CA
		BB	BC	BC		
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# Additional Admission Requirements

- **For Education**

- Demonstrate General Knowledge  
(Passing scores on all parts of the GK exam is required for admission)
- Complete Education prerequisite courses:
  - EDF 2005—Introduction to the Teaching Profession
  - EDF 2085—Introduction to Diversity for Educators
  - EME 2040—Introduction to Technology for Educators

- **For Nursing**

- Valid Florida RN License



# Program Requirements

- **Education**

- Criminal background check is required prior to field experience placements in public schools
- ESE and Elementary Ed majors will need to take EEX 2010 (Intro to Special Education) as soon as possible (prerequisite requirement)

- **Organizational Management, Health Care Management, Digital Media, Human Services, Criminal Justice, Public Administration, IT Mgmt/Cybersecurity**

- AA degree holders will need to take 18 credits in a technical discipline in lieu of 18 credits in General Education
  - Business discipline for Organizational Management
  - Health Science discipline for Health Care Management
  - Human Service discipline for Human Services
  - Digital Media or Graphics discipline for Digital Media
  - Criminal Justice discipline for Criminal Justice
  - Public Service/Public Administration discipline for Public Administration
  - Computer Science or Info Tech for IT Management/Cybersecurity

# Flexible Program Design

AS (in discipline)  
to BAS/BS  
Example

*Student brings 60 credits with  
18 in General Education*

120 credits needed for BAS/BS

Student Needs

- 18 General Education
- 36 Upper Division
- 6 Capstone
- 60 TOTAL

AA  
to BAS/BS  
Example

*Student brings 60 credits with  
36 in General Education*

120 credits needed for BAS/BS

Student Needs

- 18 Technical Core
- 36 Upper Division
- 6 Capstone
- 60 TOTAL

# Transcript Review

## WHO?

- **IRSC Graduates**
- **Other Institution's Graduates**



## WHY?

- **Admission Requirements**
- **Transfer Credits**
- **Program Planning**



# Transcript Review

## High School Transcripts

- **Verify Graduation**
- **Foreign Language Requirement**

**Students who have not taken two years of the same foreign language in high school will need to complete 2 semesters (8 credit hours) of the same foreign language at the college level to meet the state foreign language requirements for graduation.**



# When Can I Apply?



**Bachelor's Degree Applications can be submitted along with the \$30 application fee to any IRSC campus or online at anytime!**

**Meeting Priority Deadlines** ensures review and decisions for each semester.



# Can I Apply Online?



Apply online by completing the application from the link below

[www.irsc.edu](http://www.irsc.edu)

# Baccalaureate Program Application Priority Deadlines



**Fall 2015**

**Spring 2016**

**Summer I 2016**

**Summer II 2016**

**July 16, 2015**

**November 23, 2015**

**April 1, 2016**

**May 19, 2016**

# Baccalaureate Application Process Complete




- Receive Admission Letter from Bachelor's Degree Program Director
- Letter will include the assignment of a personal Academic Advisor
- **Contact your Academic Advisor to create a Customized Program Plan and Course Schedule**

# Curriculum Guides

- Curriculum guides are available for all baccalaureate programs
- Curriculum guides show the courses needed to complete the degree programs
- Curriculum guides are a helpful resource during program planning and registration
- Curriculum guides can be obtained online at:  
[www.irsc.edu](http://www.irsc.edu)

July 2020



**Curriculum Guide**  
**Bachelor of Science Degree**  
**in Nursing**

Course	Title	Credit Hours	Prerequisite**
<input type="checkbox"/> NUR 3846	Nursing Theory	3	
<input type="checkbox"/> NUR 3065C	Nursing Assessment with Clinical	3	
<input type="checkbox"/> NUR 3145	Pharmacology	3	
<input type="checkbox"/> NUR 3826	Ethical and Legal Issues in Health Care	3	
<input type="checkbox"/> NUR 3164	Nursing Research and Informatics	3	MAC 1105 & STA 2022
<input type="checkbox"/> NUR 3125	Pathophysiology	3	
<input type="checkbox"/> NUR 4636C	Community Health with Clinical	4	NUR 3846 & NUR 3164
<input type="checkbox"/> NUR 4655	Nursing in a Diverse Culture	3	
<input type="checkbox"/> NUR 4637	Health Care Policy and Economics	3	
<input type="checkbox"/> NUR 4627	Leadership and Management in Professional Nursing	3	NUR 3846, NUR 4636C, NUR 3164, NUR 4647, NUR 4655, NUR 4637, NUR 3826 (prerequisite)
<input type="checkbox"/>	General Education Credits	22	

# When Can I Register for Classes?

Spring Term 2016



**October 21, 2015**

Summer I and II 2016



**March 23, 2016**

## **If not yet accepted to baccalaureate program**

Focus on General Education Requirements, Program Prerequisites  
Foreign Language, and/or Technical Core

## **If accepted to baccalaureate program**

Follow Curriculum Guide and Program Plan from Advising Staff

# What's the Tuition Cost?



**Baccalaureate Tuition is  
\$117.10 per credit hour for FL residents**

**Cost is about 40-50% less than the per credit fee at  
Florida's Public Universities.**

*\*tuition is subject to change until Board of Trustees approval*

# Is Financial Aid Available?

Financial aid opportunities are available to all eligible students who apply

[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

2 - 4 weeks processing time

**APPLY NOW !**

Individual application assistance is available  
Check with your preferred campus for hours

# What about Scholarships?



Go to [www.irsc.edu](http://www.irsc.edu) and select

**“Apply for Scholarships”**  
under the **Quick Links** tab

**New opportunities are added on a continuous  
basis**

**APPLY NOW !**



# When Do Classes Begin?

## Fall 2015

Full-Term Fall classes begin on August 26, 2015

## Spring 2016

Full-Term Spring classes begin on January 7, 2016

## Summer I 2016

Summer I classes begin on May 9, 2016

## Summer II 2016

Summer II classes begin on June 28, 2016

Go to [www.irsc.edu](http://www.irsc.edu) to view available courses

# Where Will Classes Be Held?

Most Associate Degree courses are held on all campuses

Baccalaureate Degree courses are mostly on the main campus

Expansion to branch campuses will occur over time

Many courses are available fully online or in blended formats



# Baccalaureate Technology Expectations

- Access to a computer and the Internet
- Online orientation for new IRSC students
- Comfortable with web-browsing
- Proficient with e-mail
- **Know your IRSC username and password (when issued)**
- Ability to utilize online course content (**Blackboard LMS**)
- Knowledge of common software applications
  - Word processing
  - Spreadsheets
  - Presentations



# Baccalaureate Academic Expectations

- More rigorous than the Associate degree
- More study time needed per course
- Higher degree of self-direction expected
- Advanced research and library skills
- Greater use of technology
- All courses have online content
- Focus is on theory and application
- Emphasis is on demonstrating competencies
- Comprehensive student support services are available



# QUESTIONS?



Thank you for viewing the Bachelor's Degree Information Session.  
Please call (772) 462-7451 with any additional questions.  
**We hope to see you on campus or online soon!**



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