ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES

As an institution focused on student learning, Hillsborough Community College offers a variety of learning options to enhance its strong traditional college program. For further information, refer to the HCC Catalog.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT CENTERS

Brandon Campus/Academic Success Center:

Dale Mabry Campus/Learning Commons:

Plant City Campus/Academic Success Center:
http://hccfl.edu/p/academic-affairs/academic-success-center.aspx

SouthShore Center/Learning Tutorial Center:

Ybor City Campus/Tutorial & Writing Center:

All HCC campuses offer academic support for students and convenient learning workspace to ensure that all students have access to the resources, technology, guidance, and sustained motivation needed to excel in college and to succeed beyond college. Tutorial centers offer a wide variety of tutorial services. Writing centers are available to assist students with all English and Gordon Rule assignments. The writing centers are designed to help students to improve their writing skills for college and state writing requirements. The Success Centers provide academic support in several ways, including peer tutoring, access to open computer labs, and student group areas. The Learning Commons offers comprehensive, one-on-one tutoring and writing assistance. Students are guided and supported as they master skills and course content, the motivation to succeed, and the strategies to become independent learners.

Students from all HCC campuses can find assistance at any center.

HONORS INSTITUTE

http://www.hccfl.edu/Honors.aspx

Hillsborough Community College’s Honors Institute is designed to provide a rigorous academic program for talented and motivated students. The HCC Honors Institute reflects a mutual commitment by students and faculty.
Each campus has a Library/LRC that provides materials to support the College curriculum. The collections include circulating and reference books, current periodicals, archived publications, indexes, and audio-visual programs. An on-line catalog (LINCC) identifies both HCC and statewide library holdings. LINCC serves as the information gateway to indexes, specialty databases, and the Internet. In addition, many of LINCC’s services are available through the Internet to students with a valid HCC student identification card.

Each LRC houses an audio-visual laboratory, containing programs, compact discs, audio and videotapes, filmstrips and slides. Each Library/LRC maintains a reserve collection that includes materials identified by HCC instructors for students’ attention.

Campus librarians provide reference assistance and one-on-one instruction on locating information. Library/LRC hours vary by campus and are posted at each site.

**SLS COLLEGE SUCCESS COURSE**

The College offers the College Success Course to help students become better learners and to get the most out of their college experience. Students are given instruction in time management, reading, note and test taking skills and critical thinking.

**STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES PROGRAM**

The federally-funded SSSP provides a variety of academic support services to eligible students. Upon acceptance into the SSSP, students participate in a number of intensive services such as one-on-one tutoring, personal and academic counseling, assistance with financial aid, assistance with transferring to a university, social and cultural enhancement programs.
FINANCIAL AID
www.hccfl.edu/ssem/financialaid.aspx

Financial aid is any scholarship, grant, loan, or employment (or a combination thereof) designed to help students meet their college expenses. The amount and types of financial aid given is based on state, federal and HCC guidelines. Students must be degree seeking, meet enrollment requirements, submit official high school transcripts showing graduation dates or official GED test scores, and make satisfactory academic progress to be eligible for financial aid.

Loans are usually repaid over an extended period of time after the student leaves college. Employment refers to an hourly wage paid to the student for work performed.

If I applied for financial aid but my financial aid is not awarded by the payment due date, will my classes be dropped?

Will be expected to pay for their classes or sign up for Tuition Installment Plans (TIPS). Students that are eligible for financial aid should contact their campus Financial Aid Office to inquire about a 60 day deferment for the payment of tuition and fees. Students that are eligible for financial aid may receive a refund for the payment of tuition and fees once financial aid is awarded.

Spring 2011 Due Date:

Fall 2011 students registering for classes from August 22-26 must pay, sign up for the TIPS program, or receive a deferment on the same day of registration.

The financial aid application due date for the spring 2011 is November 1, 2011. Students or receive a deferment on the same day of registration.

Fall 2011 students registering for classes from January 9-13, 2012 must pay, sign up for the TIPS program, or receive a deferment the same day of registration.

Wings
http://www.hccfl.edu/current-students/wings.aspx

Supplemental Learning utilizes the talents and skills of students to act as peer facilitators for specific courses in a variety of courses. Supplemental Learning facilitators actually retake the courses with the students in the Supplemental Learning sections and work directly with the faculty members instructing those sections to create tutorials and support materials for students presently in the courses.

WINGS
http://www.hccfl.edu/current-students/wings.aspx

The WINGS Program is designed to promote the graduation of students pursuing A.S., A.A.S. or College Certificate programs. A variety of support services are offered to address short-term as well as lifelong goals. Students may qualify for partial tuition and textbook support in addition to childcare assistance. To qualify, students must be enrolled in a Technical Education Program and be eligible to receive a Federal Pell Grant.