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Vittorio - January 18, 2017, 9:46 pm

Are community colleges that bad as people make them seem? In the area I live it's absolutely "embarrassing" to say you attend a community college. I've always been confused on why people bash on these type of colleges. I see these type of colleges as people trying to advance their education who may have not done that great in high school. Another possibility could be one may not be able to afford to go to a university as they are quite expensive. There is my thoughts on community colleges :-)

Colo55us - January 18, 2017, 9:50 pm

Community College is not as bad as everyone says it is. I personally have never gone to one; however, I did take a few classes at my high school that were through a Community College. It is a great idea to get an associates at a CC, then transfer to a 4 year for your bachelors. Here are my pros and cons to it:

pros:

- Cheaper
- The classes are easier (take the harder classes there so they transfer to your 4 year university)

Cons:

- Not as great for social life, you kind of just go to classes, not really hanging out in dorms and going to parties and shit

justg - January 19, 2017, 10:39 am

I somewhat agree with what Colo55us said above me..

It's a great stepping stone to a 4 year college, especially for those that come from low income families that may not be able to afford it.

It's also great for people trying to return to school after taking a few years off (I.E. Adult Learners)

However, I feel like if you're already going for the Associate's, why not go for the Bachelor's eventually? If your plans are to just go to a community college and stop, what's really the point? Remember that school names mean a lot nowadays when it comes to finding a career.

Exodus. - January 19, 2017, 5:10 pm

(Jan 18, 2017 10:46 PM)Vittorio Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Are community colleges that bad as people make them seem? In the area I live it's absolutely "embarrassing" to say you attend a community college. I've always been confused on why people bash on these type of colleges. I see these type of colleges as people trying to advance their education who may have not done that great in high school. Another possibility could be one may not be able to afford to go to a university as they are quite expensive. There is my thoughts on community colleges :-)

Most of the comments I heard from students at my high school look at Community College with shame and are frowned upon, but then again my high school is pretty much centralized a highly developed/funded area with competition. Most teachers at my school however say community college is very efficient in that of saving money, and taking other classes you didn't in high school that you missed out on.

Mr.Peanut - January 19, 2017, 5:15 pm

I DEFINITELY understand that "embarrassing" factor but those who think that way are generally

younger, never been to community college, or have their head too high. Sorry if I've offended anyone irl who's reading this. Some people don't want to spend \$20,000 - \$65,000/year on college (the first 2 year of pre-reqs). There's a school named SMU that's by where I live, assuming you take like 15 credit hours, that averages to about \$5,000/class. Compared to \$150 for that same class at a community college. THE CREDITS TRANSFER OVER 100%, AND IT'S STATE LAW. Why the hell would you spend an extra \$4850 per class when you can spend \$150 and it's easier at a community college.

Now if your school is paid off/the expectations of your parents are very high, I understand. If you have a scholarship, I understand.

But on paper, it makes no fucking difference, all that matters is where you graduate.

Edit: If you do well in community college, there's transfer scholarships that help out a bunch on top of other things. Your odds of getting accepted to a school are no different on the basis that you went to a community college, if anything it shows you're working just as hard if not harder to get accepted to their school.

Why the fuck would you spend \$40,000 - \$120,000 for 2 years of school doing math, science, history, other pre requisites?

Yin Yang - January 19, 2017, 5:20 pm

You save money. Community colleges gives you the tools that you need to succeed. If you feel embarrassed by it, you shouldn't be- there's no shame in you going there.

indicud - January 19, 2017, 5:21 pm

It's worth it. You save 10's of thousands of dollars and if you play your cards right you won't have any debt after your second year.

Immortal Modz - January 19, 2017, 6:02 pm

Where I live, most kids go to community college. There is nothing to be ashamed of.

ZuGgY - January 19, 2017, 6:03 pm

Honestly, fuck what others think. A degree is a degree. I mean depending on where you live and shit, you will probably have to transfer to another college to get an actual Bachelor's degree (+2 years), but that's fine. You'll save a lot of money on the long run. Other idiots like to go to far-away colleges and dorm when really they end up in debt with all the student loans, etc with all those private tuition, and it can really fuck up their future.

??Austin?? - January 19, 2017, 6:20 pm

Unless your going for a degree which requires labs/special equipment such as particle physics or neuroscience then I truly believe theres nothing more to it than hitting the books.