

Community College and the 2+2 System

What is a Community College?

Types of Institutions



Research Universities

e.g. Purdue University, Penn State University, University of Michigan, Oregon State University

Degree Types

Bachelor's
Master's
Doctoral



Private Colleges/Universities

e.g. Franklin and Marshall College, Claremont McKenna College, Middlebury College

Degree Types

Bachelor's
Master's
Doctoral



Community College

e.g. Shoreline Community College, Aims Community College, Houston Community College

Degree Types

Associate's



Specialized Schools

e.g. Berklee College of Music, Savannah College of Design, Colorado School of Mines

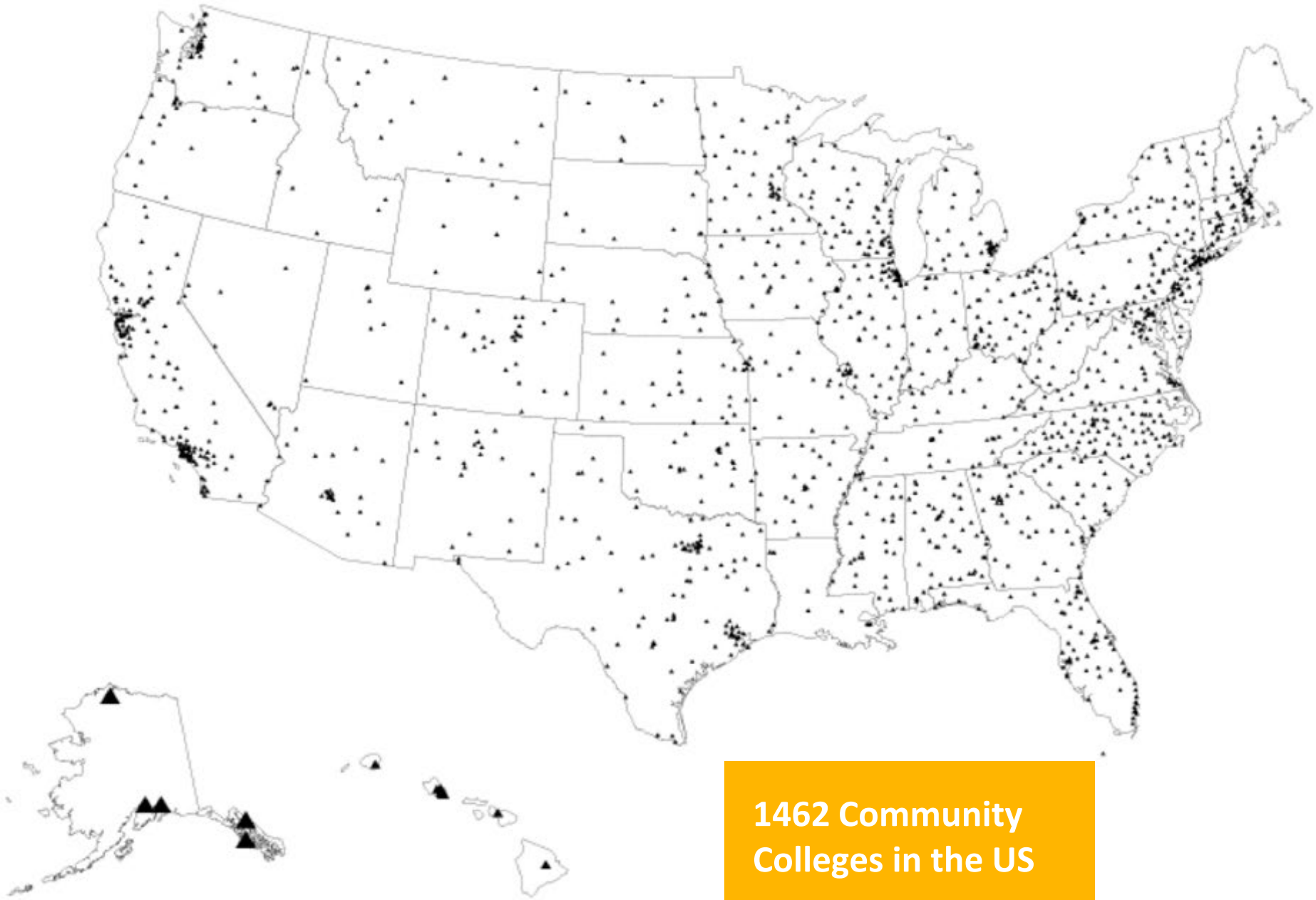
Degree Types

Varies

How many colleges and universities are there in the United States?

4,627

Wow! That's a lot.



**1462 Community
Colleges in the US**

What can I learn at
a community
college?



2+2 Transfer

What is it?

◦ Study for **2 years**

at a community college--90 Credits

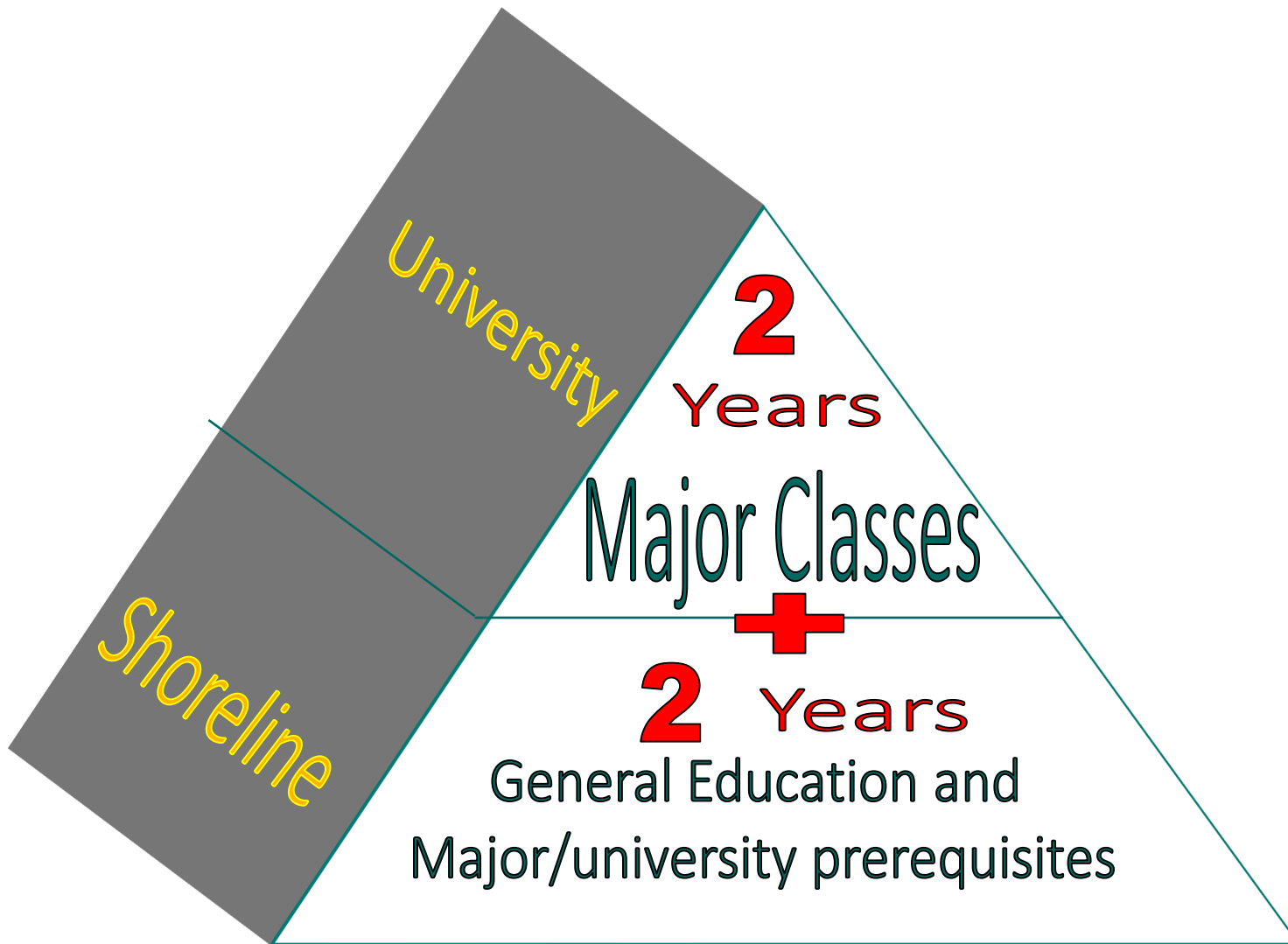
- Associate in Arts
- Associate in Science

Graduate, transfer and study for **another 2 years**

at a university – 90 Credits

- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Science





Depending on remedial Math or English needed



2+2 Transfer

*Community
College*



2 years

+

2 years



2+2 Transfer

Associate in Arts Majors

African Studies

American Studies

American Ethnic Studies

Anthropology

Architectural Studies

Art History

Business

Cinema, Film and Media Studies

Construction Management

Communication Studies

Computer Science

Creative Writing

Criminal Justice

Diagnostic Ultrasound

Drama — Theatre Arts

East Asian Studies

Economics

Elementary Education

English Language and Literature

Environmental Studies

Exercise Science and Kinesiology

Gender and Women's Studies

Geography

Health Informatics

History

Humanities

Informatics

International/Global Studies

Journalism

Mathematics/Applied Math/Statistics

Music

Nutrition and Food Science

Occupational Therapy

Philosophy

Physical Therapy

Physician Assistant

Political Science

Pre-Law

Pre-Nursing

Public and Community Health

Psychology

Secondary Education

Social Work and Human Services

Sociology

Speech and Hearing Sciences

World Languages



2+2 Transfer

Associate in Science Majors

Astronomy

Biology

Chemistry

Computer Science

Engineering

Aeronautical

Bio-Engineering

Chemical

Civil

Computer

Electrical

Industrial

Materials Science

Mechanical

Environmental Science

Forestry

Geology

Health Sciences

Pre-medicine

Nursing

Pharmacy

Physical therapy

Mathematics

Oceanography

Physics

Wildlife Sciences

Zoology



How do I Transfer?

Transfer Planning Strategies

- Start Early – About one year ahead
- Course choices matter
- Get involved
- Make a comprehensive list
 - Reach
 - Match
 - Safety
- Prepare documents early
- Check the English Proficiency Requirements-TOEFL/IELTS



What do you need to apply?

- Online application
- Official College and high school Transcripts
- Personal Statement/Essay
- English Proficiency
- Application fee
- Recommendations?

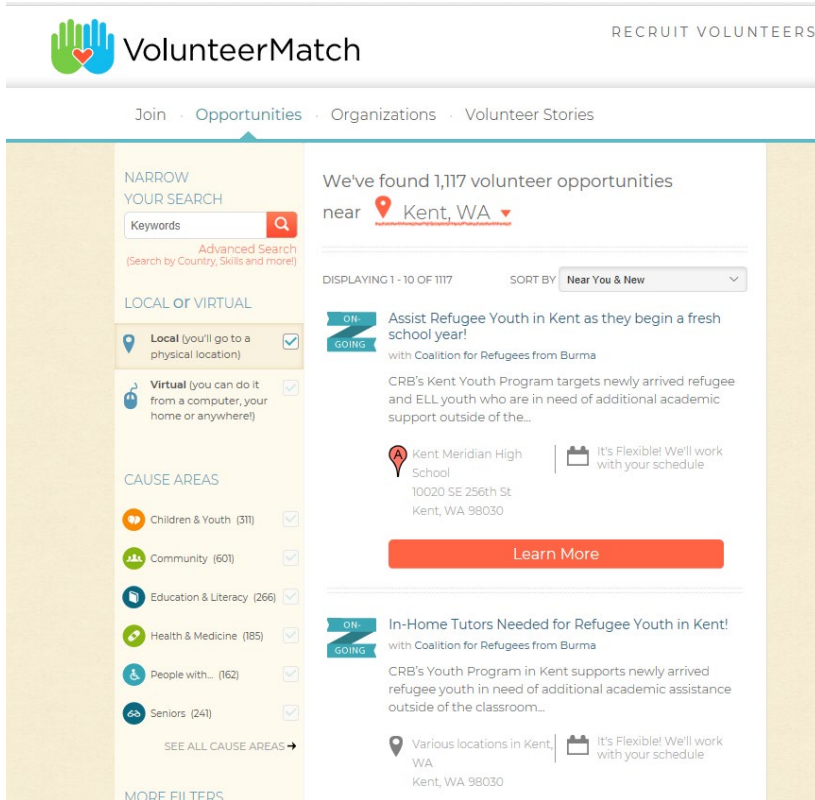


How do Colleges Choose?

- Holistic based on:
 - GPA
 - Course Selection
 - Prerequisites
 - Essay/Personal Statement
 - Activities



Community Service



The screenshot shows the VolunteerMatch website interface. At the top left is the VolunteerMatch logo, and at the top right is the text "RECRUIT VOLUNTEERS". Below the logo are navigation links: "Join", "Opportunities", "Organizations", and "Volunteer Stories". The main content area displays search results for "Kent, WA". It states "We've found 1,117 volunteer opportunities near Kent, WA". The results are sorted by "Near You & New". Two opportunities are listed:

- ON-GOING** Assist Refugee Youth in Kent as they begin a fresh school year! with Coalition for Refugees from Burma. CRB's Kent Youth Program targets newly arrived refugee and ELL youth who are in need of additional academic support outside of the... Location: Kent Meridian High School, 10020 SE 256th St, Kent, WA 98030. It's Flexible! We'll work with your schedule. [Learn More](#)
- ON-GOING** In-Home Tutors Needed for Refugee Youth in Kent! with Coalition for Refugees from Burma. CRB's Youth Program in Kent supports newly arrived refugee youth in need of additional academic assistance outside of the classroom... Location: Various locations in Kent, WA. It's Flexible! We'll work with your schedule.

On the left side, there are filters for "LOCAL OR VIRTUAL" (Local and Virtual), "CAUSE AREAS" (Children & Youth, Community, Education & Literacy, Health & Medicine, People with..., Seniors), and "MORE FILTERS".



Food Bank



Habitat for Humanity

Leadership

- In what way are you a leader?
 - In School
 - In Church
 - In Sports
 - In Scouts
 - In Clubs



Online Search Engines

- College Data
- BigFuture
- Niche
- PrepScholar
- College Navigator

- NOTE:

- Be wary of sites like College Confidential



Finalize your list

- Identify your
 - Reach
 - Match
 - safety schools (4-8 schools)
- Attend a College Fair to ask questions
- Look at the colleges' websites
- Consider
 - Cost
 - Location
 - living options
 - weather at the location
 - Private vs public



Safety

"Safety schools" are schools you will almost definitely get into because your academic credentials are much better than the typical range for their freshman class. For example, if your SAT scores and GPA are higher than the average for the college's freshman class, while it isn't guaranteed that you will be accepted, it is highly likely.

"Match schools" are schools where your academic credentials fall within or perhaps slightly exceed the school's range for the freshman class. These are schools that are a good fit for you.

Reach

"Reach schools" are those where your academic credentials fall below the school's range for the freshman class. While these schools will be more difficult to get into, other factors taken into consideration, like extra-curricular involvement and teacher recommendations could help your chances.

Match

Spreadsheet to Keep Track

College Application Details

	College	Dead-line	WUE	Rec ?	Essay	Other	Acceptance rate
1	OSU	2/1	NO	No?	No?	Holistic Review Evergreen State Scholarship: \$3,000 Provost Scholarship 3000-8000/year	78%
2	U of Colorado	1/15	NO	1	Yes	Holistic Review Common App http://www.colorado.edu/admissions/apply	77%
2	WSU	1/31	N/A		NO		72%
4	SPU	2/1	N/A			Emailed about the GET and Scholarships. http://spu.edu/undergraduate-admissions/contact-us/counselor-profiles/gagaoin-dennis#title GET confirmed Net price calculator: http://spu.edu/undergraduate-admissions/scholarships-financial-aid/net-price-calculator	87%
5	University of Montana	11/15	YES			http://wue.wiche.edu/profile.jsp?id=75 Scholarships: http://www.umt.edu/finaid/scholarships/um-scholarship-portal/default.php	92%
6	WWU	1/31	N/A				83%
7	Boise State	12/15 for scholarship	YES			http://wue.wiche.edu/profile.jsp?id=61	82%

Personal Statement



- Resources:
 - UCLA
 - University of California
 - Purdue OWL
 - The College Essay Guy



College Essay Guy™

