## **Admissions Policy**

Pennsylvania Highlands Community College is an open-door postsecondary institution and grants admission to individuals who have earned a high school diploma, a GED, or an equivalent credential. Individuals without those credentials may also be admitted to the College if they are able to benefit from a college experience as defined by the Higher Education Act of 1965, Section 484(d).

Matriculated students have declared their intention to complete a degree or an approved certificate program at Pennsylvania Highlands Community College. Matriculated students are eligible to apply for federal financial aid.

Nonmatriculated students are taking college classes but cannot or have not declared their intention to complete a degree or an approved certificate program at Pennsylvania Highlands Community College. Nonmatriculated students are not eligible to receive federal financial aid.

After successful completion of thirty (30) college credits, students may be able to apply for a Commonwealth Secondary School Diploma through the Pennsylvania Department of Education.