

Clark College Peer Institutions, 2024

College	Location	Peer-Type
Henry Ford College	Dearborn, MI	National
Midland College	Midland, TX	National
Pueblo Community College	Pueblo, CO	National
Tallahassee Community College	Tallahassee, FL	National
Tyler Junior College	Tyler, TX	National
Edmonds College	Lynnwood, WA*	Regional
Bellevue College	Bellevue, WA	Regional
Modesto Junior College	Modesto, CA	Regional
Spokane Community College	Spokane, WA	Regional
Tacoma Community College	Tacoma, WA	Regional

Definitions

Peer institutions were selected based on institutional characteristics defined by the National Center for Educational Statistics (NCES), Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS). Clark College is defined as:

- OPE Title IV eligibility indicator code: Yes
- Bureau of Economic Analysis Regions Far West
- Sector: Public, 4 year
- Degree granting status: Degree-granting, nor primarily baccalaureate or above
- Carnegie Classification 2021 Basic: Baccalaureate/Associate's Colleges: Associate's Dominant

- Degree of urbanization (Locale): Midsize (population less than 250,000 and greater than or equal 100,000)
- Institution size category: 5,000-9,999
- Open admission policy: Yes
- Has full-time first-time undergraduates: Yes
- All programs offered completely via distance education: No

When selecting peer institutions, additional characteristics were also considered.

- Sector: Public, 2 year
- Bureau of Economic Analysis Regions Far West (regional); all others (national)
- Carnegie Classification 2021 Basic: Mixed Transfer/Career & Technical Mixed Traditional/Nontraditional
 - Rationale: Since most of our students are enrolled in 2-year programs to include transfer and career technical programs, Public, 2 year and Carnegie Classification 2021 Basic: Mixed Transfer/Career & Technical Mixed Traditional/Nontraditional were added as criteria. Recognizing the issues with classifying institutions by one main descriptor, the next edition of Carnegie Classification will include a three-dimensional definition of institutions that may be based on size, mission, location, or other factors to be defined at a later date (Lederman, D., 2023, 01).¹
- Institution Size: 10,000 –19,999
 - Rationale: Prior to COVID 19, Fall headcounts were over 11,000 for academic years 17, 18, and 19. Fall 2023 headcounts are 9, 011 representing a 12.5% increase from the previous fall enrollment of 8,009 (Enrollment Summary for Budgeting and SBCTC Enrollment by College).

^{*}Degree of urbanization was not included in the selection of this institution.

¹ Lederman, D. (2023, 11/01). A New Approach to Categorizing Colleges. Retrieved on 4/12/2023 from https://www.insidehighered.com/news/institutions/2023/11/01/major-overhaul-coming-key-framework-organizing-higher-ed