

STCC announces 'Flex Terms' for fall 2019

SPRINGFIELD, MA | **SPRINGFIELD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE** | May 17, 2019 --Springfield Technical Community College (STCC) this fall will offer two "flex terms" which allow students to begin and end classes on dates outside of the regular semester schedule.



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At seven weeks, the terms are half as long as the traditional 14-week semester. This means students can complete two courses in the time it takes to finish one traditional course.

For fall 2019, the first flex term runs Sept. 3 through Oct. 22.

The second flex term runs Oct. 23 through Dec. 13.

STCC Dean of Academic Initiatives Matthew Gravel said there are a number of reasons why students may want to enroll in one or more flex-term courses:

- The later start time for the second session might appeal to students who are not prepared to begin a fall or spring term when classes customarily start.
- Flex terms might be ideal for students who want to more productively complete coursework by focusing on fewer courses at a time.
- Students may want to increase their credit load during the semester.

Students enrolled in the shortened terms also have the option of completing a two-course sequence within a single term. For example, they can complete Accounting 1 and 2 over the course of the two Flex Terms.

Because each course meets for only seven weeks, daily class time for onsite classes is doubled that of a traditional class, but online and hybrid options (for example, onsite classes with an online component) are also available.

Students can choose from among 17 courses for Flex Term 1, and from 19 courses for Flex Term 2.

To see the full schedule of classes and to enroll for the fall, visit stcc.edu/flexterms. For questions, call STCC Admissions at (413) 755-3333.