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CALHOUN  
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## GENERAL CATALOG

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Calhoun Community College  
is accredited by  
the Commission on Colleges of the  
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools  
(1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097:  
Telephone number 404-679-4501)  
to award Associate Degrees and Certificates

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## **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IN EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT**

Calhoun Community College is committed to equal opportunity in employment and education. The College does not discriminate in any program or activity on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin, or against qualified disabled persons, and it maintains an affirmative action program for protected minorities and women.

## **NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT**

Calhoun Community College has filed with the Federal Government an Assurance of Compliance with all requirements imposed by or pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Regulation issued thereunder, to the end that no person in the United States shall, on the basis of race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits thereof, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity sponsored by this institution. It is also the policy of Calhoun to be in accordance that "no person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance." The Title IX Coordinator for administrators, faculty, and staff is Ms. Shirley Hughes, Office of Human Resources, P.O. Box 2216, Decatur, Alabama 35609-2216; telephone (256) 306-2591. The Title IX Coordinator for students is the Assistant Dean for Student Affairs, P. O. Box 2216, Decatur, Alabama 35609-2216; telephone (256) 306-2613.

In addition, the college does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its educational programs and activities, pursuant to the requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Public Law 93-112, and the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), Public Law 101-336. This policy extends to employment by and admission to the college. The Section 504 Coordinator for administrators, faculty and staff is Ms. Shirley Hughes, Office of Human Resources, P.O. Box 2216, Decatur, AL 35609-2216; telephone (256) 306-2591. The Section 504 Coordinator for students is the Assistant Dean for Student Affairs, P.O. Box 2216, Decatur, AL 35609-2216; telephone (256) 306-2613 or 890-4700. The Assistant Dean for Student Affairs is the ADA Coordinator for the college.

Persons or any specific class of individuals who believe they have been subjected to discrimination prohibited by Titles VI, IX, Section 504, ADA, or an Act or Regulation issued thereunder may, alone or with a representative, file with the United States Commissioner of Education or with this institution, or with both, a written complaint.

Calhoun Community College engages in continual study on our effectiveness. Students may be required to participate in tests/surveys or other activities as part of this process.

It is the intent of the compilers of this catalog that it contain policies, procedures, and guidelines adopted or approved by The State Board of Education of Alabama. Users are cautioned that changes in policies, procedures, and guidelines may have occurred since the publication of this material. In the event of such a conflict, the current statements of Board policy shall prevail.

# Welcome to Calhoun Community College



**RICHARD CARPENTER**  
President

## HISTORY OF CALHOUN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Calhoun Community College is the result of the consolidation of the Tennessee Valley State Technical School and John C. Calhoun State Technical Junior College. The Tennessee Valley State Technical School was instituted by the Wallace-Patterson Trade School Act of 1947. John C. Calhoun State Technical Junior College was established under the Alabama Trade School Authority Act of 1963. The two schools were merged into a comprehensive institution to become John C. Calhoun State Technical Junior College and Technical School in September 1965. Both the Technical School and the Junior College are under the supervision of the State Board of Education. The president is directly responsible to the State Board through the Chancellor of the Department of Postsecondary Education. The present designation as a community college was formalized by a State Board of Education resolution of September 23, 1973.

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## STATEMENT OF VALUES

We, the faculty and staff of Calhoun Community College, are dedicated to making a world-class institution.

First and foremost, we are committed to excellent teaching in a caring and nurturing environment. We believe in the highest quality educational experiences possible through continuous improvement of teaching, support services, equipment and facilities at all locations.

We believe that our students should be able to think critically, make good decisions, be creative, have strong communication and computational skills and possess specific career knowledge. We believe in life-long learning and skills building to stay current, remain globally competitive, and accommodate continuous change.

We are committed to accessibility through flexible scheduling and cost effective programs at convenient locations. We believe in providing educational and training opportunities for diverse clients, including recent high-school graduates, those of non-traditional college age, those with disabilities, and all racial and ethnic groups. Those we serve include local public school students, GED recipients, business, industries and community organizations locally, nationally, and internationally.

We believe in teamwork, innovation, partnerships, rapid responsiveness, customization, and accountability in all that we do.

We believe in a democratic way of life that fosters broad access to educational opportunity and decision-making based on shared governance and vision.

We recognize our colleagues as valuable assets to our excellence.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Calhoun Community College, a public comprehensive community college in north central Alabama, seeks to provide accessible quality educational opportunities, promote community and economic development, and enhance the quality of life for those it serves.

## CRITICAL SUCCESS FACTORS

COMPREHENSIVE QUALITY PROGRAMS  
SATISFACTION AND RETENTION OF STUDENTS  
POST EDUCATION SATISFACTION AND SUCCESS  
COMMUNITY/REGIONAL/NATIONAL REPUTATION  
SOUND, EFFECTIVE RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT/MANAGEMENT  
DYNAMIC ORGANIZATIONAL INVOLVEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT