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## Frequently Asked Questions

### **I have heard LCNE is closing. Is this true?**

Yes. Lincoln College of New England (LCNE) has made a decision to close at the end of the Fall 2018 semester. LCNE and Goodwin College, a local non-profit college in East Hartford, CT, have signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to assist LCNE students who are interested in continuing their studies. Working with NEASC (the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Commission on Institutions of Higher Education — the regional accrediting agency for Goodwin and LCNE), the Connecticut Office of Higher Education and each of our programmatic accreditors, we are making sure that our students will be supported through their coursework.

### **I am a current student at LCNE and will be returning this fall for classes. Where will my classes be offered?**

You should understand that depending on your program of study, LCNE will be teaching some coursework in the Fall 2018 term at the Southington campus as our college transitions to final closure. Otherwise, Goodwin College will be offering coursework at its East Hartford campus, both residential and online, and in some cases, will be teaching courses on the Southington campus. Students are also welcome to continue their education at another institution outside of the MOU signed by Goodwin College and Lincoln College of New England. Informational sessions for each major will be conducted from August 22-25, 2018, at LCNE. Please check the website for the schedule.

### **Is Goodwin College buying Lincoln College of New England?**

No. Goodwin College is a non-profit college that is not interested in buying LCNE. Goodwin College has signed a MOU with LCNE to assist with students who are interested in transferring to their college. Goodwin College is not receiving any funds from LCNE to help in this process. Rather, Goodwin College is solely interested in ensuring that LCNE students can finish what they have started with as little disruption as possible. Goodwin College has no plan to take over the Southington campus, though it may in some cases, teach courses in Southington.

### **I am a student who was just beginning my college classes at LCNE. What should I do?**

Since Goodwin offers many of the same programs as LCNE, you should meet with Goodwin staff who will be located at the LCNE campus to discuss registering for classes at Goodwin and how to finance your education. There will be no application fee for those students making the transition to Goodwin. If you are not interested in attending Goodwin College, you can research other colleges or institutions in the region to attend. However, LCNE, at this time, does not have an agreement with any other college.

### **What does this mean for continuing Lincoln students who are returning in the fall?**

The goal of the MOU between Lincoln and Goodwin College was to provide minimal disruption to Lincoln College students. For the upcoming semester, depending on your program of study and courses taken, some classes will continue to be offered on campus in Southington or on the campus of Goodwin College. When you meet with LCNE staff about continuing your education, more information will be provided as to whether you would remain a LCNE student in the Fall 2018 term or you would need to transfer to Goodwin College to continue your studies.

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**I am a current student living in the Lincoln dorms, can I still live in the dorms in the Fall 2018 term?**

For those students who are going to transfer, there will be housing units available on the Goodwin College campus. These units will be offered first to Lincoln students who are interested in a residential experience. As these units are coveted by Goodwin's current students as well, they will be offered to Lincoln students on a first come-first served basis. Students who want to continue to live with their current roommates can also be accommodated in this first group. A Goodwin College student services representative will be in touch with each residential student on an individual basis to review the housing options and the services which include a cafeteria and health center, all within walking distance.

**I am a new student who was going to enroll at LCNE and paid an application fee. Will I receive a refund of the application fee?**

Yes, LCNE will be refunding you the application fee, if you decide to choose an institution other than Goodwin College.

**Why is Goodwin College offering to assist LCNE students who are interested in completing their education?**

LCNE's primary goal in this transition was to seek out an educational partner who would allow our students to complete their program of study with minimal interruption. Almost all the programs offered by Lincoln College of New England are also offered at Goodwin College. That is why LCNE sought out Goodwin College to assist its students in completing their course of study.

**I have decided to transfer to Goodwin. Will I be taking all of my courses at the campus in East Hartford?**

Depending on the program of study, students could be taking classes in the Fall term at either the LCNE Southington or East Hartford campus or through Goodwin College's online course offerings. Where your courses will be held will be discussed during your initial meetings with Goodwin or LCNE staff. However, in the Spring 2019 term that will begin in January 2019, all courses will be taught by Goodwin College either in Southington, East Hartford or via online delivery, if applicable.

**If I decide to transfer to Goodwin, are there any extra costs for students to finish their programs at Goodwin College?**

Quite the opposite. Goodwin College has agreed to offer all LCNE students a tuition at or below that which they were charged at Lincoln for the duration of your continuous enrollment. Also, as a non-profit institution, Goodwin has additional scholarship and financial aid opportunities to support Lincoln students who transfer to Goodwin. Each Lincoln student that decides to transfer to Goodwin will meet with Goodwin staff over the next few weeks to determine your financial and financial aid package as you continue your program.

Lincoln students can visit Goodwin College's state-of-the art Riverfront Campus at any time to see all the additional resources and laboratories that will be offered as you complete your studies.

**Academics:**

**Will my classes continue at Lincoln College's Southington Campus?**

We know certain courses will need to be taught at the Southington campus based on programmatic accreditation requirements. However, this will be determined based on your meeting with Goodwin and/or LCNE staff. There may be some programmatic accreditation restrictions on where, and who, teaches certain

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courses and LCNE and Goodwin are working with those agencies to determine the proper course of action for all students.

**Who will have my transcript in the future?**

Transcripts for Lincoln College students will be permanently stored by Lincoln Educational Services Corporation, the parent corporation of LCNE, after December 31, 2018. After the completion of the Fall 2018 term, students will be able to request their transcripts, and other student records such as a student financial ledger, by completing a form housed on the following website: [www.lincolntech.edu](http://www.lincolntech.edu). For those students making the transfer to Goodwin College, transcripts will be held permanently by Goodwin College.

**Will all of my credits transfer?**

If you continue your studies with Goodwin College, all of your Lincoln College credits will transfer. In any case where some additional material is needed to fulfill specific Goodwin College requirements, that additional material will be provided to Lincoln College transfers at no cost.. If you decide to transfer to another college, community college or university, we cannot guarantee transfer of credits. Acceptance of transfer credits is always the prerogative of the receiving institution.

**Where will graduation be held?**

Any student that registers and transfers to Goodwin College will be treated as Goodwin College students as part of this process. All Goodwin College graduates are invited to attend a commencement ceremony at the campus on the East Hartford Riverfront.

**Financial Aid:**

**What happens to my financial aid and institutional aid?**

Please know that LCNE and Goodwin have been communicating with the U.S. Department of Education to keep the process as seamless as possible.

Each student that will be enrolling at Goodwin will meet with Goodwin financial aid staff in the next few weeks, and all financial aid that you received—plus any additional grant aid available through Goodwin College—will be transferred to your Goodwin College enrollment.

For those students who will be continuing as enrolled under LCNE for the Fall 2018 term, the financial aid staff at LCNE will be available to answer any questions regarding your financial aid for that term.

**What do I need to do to get my financial aid if I am going to transfer to Goodwin College?**

Students receiving federal student aid will need to add Goodwin's school code to their FAFSA's. Goodwin's school code is 015833 and this is the one thing you must do ASAP to receive aid if you are transferring to Goodwin.

**Miscellaneous Questions:**

**Do I need to do anything to move forward with transfer to an institution other than Goodwin College?**

If you choose to transfer to a different institution, you will need to contact those schools and fulfill their requirements for transfer and to meet their admissions requirements deadlines. LCNE will assist in that process if that is your choice by providing transcripts or any other documents needed as quickly as possible.

**How can I see the Goodwin campus?**

You are welcome to visit anytime, as Goodwin College is approximately 20 miles from the Southington location. Goodwin will also arrange for buses to bring interested students to campus and plan information sessions there as well. Goodwin is a non-profit institution and you are urged to talk to Goodwin students and ask them about their experience. You can find information on Goodwin's small classes, support of students, facilities, and endless student opportunities and activities by visiting their website at [www.goodwin.edu](http://www.goodwin.edu).

**I have a question about something that is not included on this list of Frequently Asked Questions. How can I get the answer to my question?**

As part of its memorandum of understanding, both Lincoln and Goodwin have established an ombudsman that will assist students in any way possible. Each person will be able to receive questions either by telephone or by e-mail and will be charged with responding in the same day to help you through this process. For Lincoln, the ombudsman will be Dr. Jim Vernon and he can be reached at [jvernon@lincolncollegene.edu](mailto:jvernon@lincolncollegene.edu) or (860) 628.4751, ext: 40901. Goodwin College has assigned Ms. Judy Zimmerman to assist students with any questions. Ms. Zimmerman can be reached at [jzimmerman@goodwin.edu](mailto:jzimmerman@goodwin.edu) or (860) 727-6714.

# Goodwin College Program Information Sessions

Schedule for Week of 8/21-8/25

*All Information Sessions Held at  
Lincoln College of New England Campus  
in Founders Hall, Rooms 9 and 10*

<b>Program</b>	<b>Tuesday, 8/21</b>	<b>Wednesday, 8/22</b>	<b>Thursday, 8/23</b>	<b>Friday, 8/24</b>	<b>Saturday, 8/25</b>
Mortuary Science			4:00 pm	10:00 am	
RN/BSN		4:00 pm			
Dental Hygiene			10:00 am		10:00 am
Occupational Therapy					10:30 am
Criminal Justice		2:00 pm	2:00 pm		
Business/Management		1:00 pm			
Health Information MGT			9:00 am		
Billing and Coding				1:00 pm	
Human Services				9:00 am	
Broadcasting		6:00 pm			