

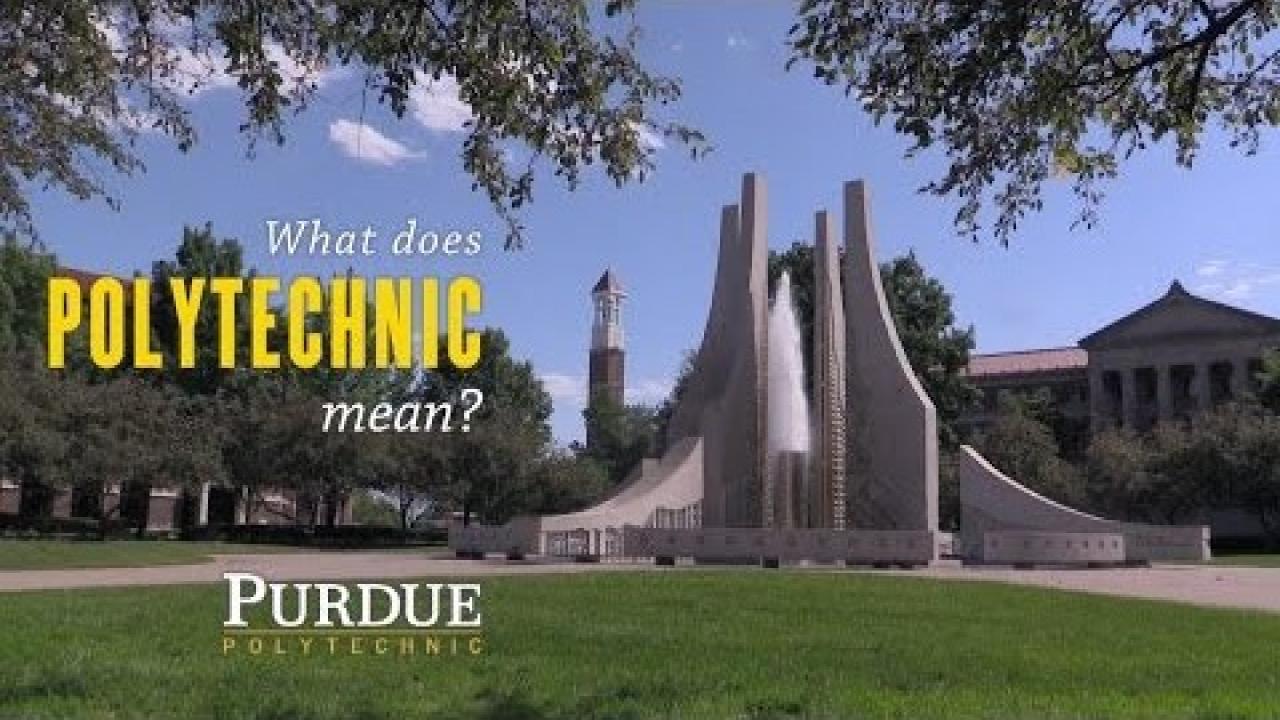
The West Campus of Valencia College: A Polytechnic



Polytechnics were created for a specific purpose: to educate students using practice-based learning in technical fields.



Pedagogically, hands on, practice-based learning, mentorships and close relationships with industry are the hallmarks of polytechnics.





A School of...

- Serves as an umbrella of related sub-disciplines with offerings in academic and continuing education credit with an interdisciplinary focus.
- Establishes deep coordination of programs across campuses to foster consistency.
- Embeds applied learning experiences for all students.



A School of...

- Requires the Dean of the School to work collaboratively with other leaders to establish strategy and direction for the collection of programs under the umbrella.
- Provides opportunities to think in different ways regarding scheduling, terms, contracts, load, etc.
- Provides an impetus to think strategically and systemically about facilities needed to serve programs.



A School of...

- Responds to our community by meeting unique educational and workforce training needs.
- Connects tightly to partners within the educational ecosystem, business partners, and specialized industry partners.
- Gives partners have one point of contact/entry to the college.
- Offers partners access to talent in a centralized way.



West Campus Schools of...

- School of Allied Health
- School of Business*
- School of Culinary Arts and Hospitality
- School of Engineering and Technology*
- School of Nursing



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