

CAICC EQUIPS STUDENTS FOR SUCCESS

Studies have found that students in career academies are more successful in high school and are more likely to continue with their education, compared with students who are not in academies.

Our career academy, an Academy of Distinction, equips our students with a variety of skills and advantages:

- A curriculum that prepares students for college while also allowing them to see relationships among the various academic subjects and their application to a wide variety of career paths.
- Opportunities for students to attain several highly-valued industry certifications including Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) and QuickBooks.
- Partnerships with community members, business representatives and local colleges – all who bring resources into the school to improve student engagement and achievement.



Recognized as an Academy of Distinction

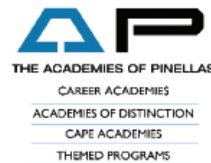
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Vision: 100% Student Success

Mission: "Educate and prepare each student for college, career and life."

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Career Academy for International Culture and Commerce

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A multicultural approach to meeting the needs of a global society





“The magic . . . is in the combination of linking academics to job prospects and the intensive involvement of adults.”

William Raspberry, Washington Post

program of study

OUR APPROACH

The Career Academy for International Culture and Commerce (CAICC) functions as a small learning community and offers our students a multi-faceted blend of academic and career technical classes.



INTEGRATED PROJECTS

We challenge our students with creative projects that enhance our curriculum. Many of these projects are cross-curricular, allowing two or more subject areas to work together.

- In-depth research projects on foreign countries and their cultures
- *CAICC International Trade Show* - students create businesses and present them in a real world expo setting
- *Next Generation Entrepreneurs competition* - CAICC students were finalists
- Strong partnership with *Future Business Leaders of America*
- Practice with resumes and interview skills



ADVANTAGES FOR OUR STUDENTS

Through an integrated and rigorous curriculum, CAICC students receive the following benefits:

- A Small Learning Community environment within a larger school
- Cross-curricular teaching teams who work together on projects and certifications
- Comprehensive training and testing for highly sought-after industry certifications, including Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS), Microsoft Office Specialist Master and QuickBooks
- Preparation for major Florida scholarships such as Bright Futures, specific preparation for Gold Seal
- Exposure to a wide variety of career paths particularly in the field of international business
- Integration of academic classes and academy-themed classes
- Dedicated guidance counselor who stays with students all four years

EDUCATIONAL/ CULTURAL FORAYS

Our CAICC students experience one field trip each semester. These educational journeys are linked with the CAICC curriculum and allow students to observe events outside their traditional classroom and, through cultural gateways such as technology, communication and commerce, help unlock the keys to global understanding and tolerance.



The culmination of our program is a four-day trip to **New York City**, where our students experience the city's abundant examples of international culture and commerce. Other CAICC field trips include:

- Disney World and *EPCOT* to participate in Disney's outstanding Youth Education Series workshops and take behind-the-scenes look at these international conglomerates
- Ybor City for an immersion in this city's rich culture and heritage
- University of South Florida to meet with professors and students in its International Business Department
- Port of Tampa to tour this major international Port and learn how it operates

“Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn.” — Benjamin Franklin

