The Ashkelon Academic College is a public academic college sponsored and supervised by the Council for Higher Education in Israel. The campus is located in the Education Quarters in Ashkelon. The college offers BA and MA studies in a variety of fields, and tuition for all courses is price controlled.

The Ashkelon Academic College was founded in 2000 originally as a branch of Bar Ilan University (founded in 1965). For 38 years it offered, in Ashkelon, BA studies through Bar Ilan University; in 2003 it began offering independent degrees. Since 2014 it has been offering MAs in criminology, social work, and will, in the future, begin offering degrees in applied economics as well. The college and its degrees are fully recognized by the Council for Higher Education.

Areas of study are abundant and varied, including economics, banking, logistics, accounting, health sciences (including nursing, nutrition, and public health), criminology, psychology, social work, tourism, computer science, sociology, Land of Israel studies and more.

The college runs pre-academic programs for discharged soldiers and Sherut Leumi graduates, as well as preparatory programs for new immigrants or those in the process of making Aliyah. Immigrants can join a special integratory program which combines Hebrew classes with preparation for the Israeli academic world.

The campus was built in recent years, and is one of the most luxurious and advanced of its kind in Israel. It is comprised of classrooms, labs, in and off campus dormitories, and a convention center. The college runs a student aid program, a center for students with learning disabilities, a center for career consultation and more.

89% of our graduates are employed; 76% of our graduates work in the field of their studies.

The college is home to three research institutes attended by students and senior researchers.

Computer science students find employment in prestigious companies such as Elta and the Negev Nuclear Research Center.

The college campus offers numerous student activities. The dormitories include a student club with weekly movie screenings and other social and cultural events. The convention center offers movies, a cinematheque, live shows and theater performances. The student union organizes weekly entertainment and cultural events in collaboration with students: student parties, student outings and vacations, a series of beginning-of-semester events which include concerts and other attractions and more. The on-campus PERAH administration offers scholarships in exchange for student tutoring and community service across the country. The Dean of Students Office offers other forms of community service and volunteer activity in Ashkelon in exchange for a scholarship incorporating different cultural activities. Religious students are offered activities that correspond to their religious needs and lifestyles.

The Dean of Students Office and Student Union collaborate on a multicultural program named Musicampus, in which students meet with artists, speak with them, and listen to their work. The cinematheque offers a similar program, screening new releases followed by talks given by the directors and screenwriters.