

# Getting Started



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## A Guide for New Students

### Step 1: Explore Our Academic Programs

The first step to becoming a Mesa Community College (MCC) student is finding a program that's right for you. Visit [www.mesacc.edu/programs/index.php](http://www.mesacc.edu/programs/index.php) to view academic program options.

### Step 2: Create Your Student Center

Creating your Student Center is done online from anywhere with internet access. Visit: [www.my.maricopa.edu](http://www.my.maricopa.edu) and click "First Time Users Start Here." Follow instructions provided to obtain your **Maricopa Enterprise ID (MEID)** and **Password**.

### Step 3: Be Admitted to MCC

Admission to MCC can be achieved by completing the Student Information Form. There are three options: online, telephone, or in person.

➤ **Submit online at:** [www.my.maricopa.edu](http://www.my.maricopa.edu)

- Click **Login**
- Enter your User ID (**MEID**)
- Enter your **Password**
- Click Sign In to enter your **Student Center**
- In your Student Center, click **MCCCD Admissions**
- Select MCC as college of choice
- Select type of Program (credit/non-credit)
- Select Term
- Continue with required steps to complete admissions

**Locate your Student ID Number (8 digits). Your Student ID Number is NOT your MEID.**

- In your Student Center, under **Personal Information**, click **Demographic Data**
- Make note of your **Student ID Number**, which you will need for most on-campus student services

➤ **Submit over the telephone at:** 480.461.7700 or toll free at 1.866.532.4983

➤ **Submit in person at:** Admissions and Records, Bldg. #39 (Southern & Dobson campus) or Enrollment Services, Mesquite Bldg. #5 (Red Mountain campus).

**IMPORTANT** – Once admitted, you will receive a Student ID number (8 digits).

### Step 4: Attend a Pre-Advising/Pre-Financial Planning Session

All new to college and/or new to MCC students are encouraged to participate in a pre-advising/pre-financial planning session at the Southern & Dobson campus, the Red Mountain campus, or the Downtown Center. For more information, call 480.461.7222 (Southern & Dobson), 480.654.7600 (Red Mountain), or 480.461.6200 (Downtown Center). Session is available in Spanish at the Downtown Center only.

### Step 5: Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) every year you're interested in paying for college with the help of federal financial aid. Visit: [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). The MCC federal school code is 001077. Submit early and be aware of important deadlines. Please call 480.461.7700 for more information.

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## **Step 6: Activate Your Official Student Email Account**

Receive information regarding admissions & records, class enrollment, financial aid, tuition/fees, and much more. Log in with your MEID and password at: [www.my.maricopa.edu](http://www.my.maricopa.edu) and check regularly.

## **Step 7: Take the Placement Tests**

This is not an admissions test, but a way to assess and determine what level of Reading, English, and Math classes are appropriate as students begin these subjects and many more. A photo ID is required for all testing. Sample test questions are available online at: [www.mesacc.edu/testing](http://www.mesacc.edu/testing). Testing Services are located at both campuses; call 480.461.7480 (Southern & Dobson) or 480.654.7600 (Red Mountain) for more information. Placement Testing is done on a walk-in basis only.

## **Step 8: Meet with an Academic Advisor**

We encourage all students to meet with an academic advisor prior to selecting and registering for classes. Advisors help determine an Individual Education Completion Plan by exploring academic programs, degrees, and certificates that meet your career/education goals. Advisors are available by appointment or drop in. Advisement is located at both campuses: Bldg. #38 at Southern & Dobson or Mesquite Bldg. #5 at Red Mountain.

## **Step 9: Register for Classes and New Student Orientation**

To register for classes, utilize your Student Center, the MCC Course Guide, and the MCC Catalog: [www.my.maricopa.edu](http://www.my.maricopa.edu), [web.mesacc.edu/schedule](http://web.mesacc.edu/schedule), [www.mesacc.edu/students/catalog](http://www.mesacc.edu/students/catalog). New Student Orientation is designed to provide students with the resources needed to maximize potential and successfully manage the college experience; meet other students, faculty, staff, and participate in a campus tour. For more information, visit: [www.mesacc.edu/students/orientation](http://www.mesacc.edu/students/orientation).

## **Step 10: Pay Tuition and Fees**

Find out the amount due, when it's due, and even pay for classes online by visiting your Student Center: [www.my.maricopa.edu](http://www.my.maricopa.edu). To learn more about payment options, visit: [www.mesacc.edu/students/cashiers/tuition.html](http://www.mesacc.edu/students/cashiers/tuition.html).

## **Step 11: Buy or Rent Textbooks**

Log into your Student Center to access a list of all the textbooks you'll need. For textbook purchasing or rental options, visit: [www.mesacc.edu/students/bookstore.html](http://www.mesacc.edu/students/bookstore.html).

## **Step 12: Obtain Your Student Photo ID Card and Parking Permit**

Your student photo ID card is free, but replacing it will cost \$5.00. Parking is also free at MCC, but you do need a permit. Visit the Kirk Student Center at Southern & Dobson or Enrollment Services at Red Mountain to obtain both: [www.mesacc.edu/students/life/parking.html](http://www.mesacc.edu/students/life/parking.html).

## **Step 13: Attend All of Your Classes**

MCC supports and encourages student success and program/degree completion. Our "Success from Day One" agenda encourages all students to be prepared for and attend the first day of class. Students who attend the first day of classes are often most successful.