

# WELCOME TO MESA COMMUNITY COLLEGE



*At Mesa Community College, learning is the focus of all we do. We provide innovative and engaging educational opportunities for learners with all kinds of academic, professional, and personal goals. In this way, we strive to improve the quality of life for all members of the diverse community we serve. We are proud to celebrate 40 years of serving the educational needs of our dynamic and growing community with adaptable and flexible programs.*

*Our students pursue coursework and degrees for transfer into university programs, for career and technical preparation and advancement, and for personal fulfillment. In addition to traditional college programs, we offer many opportunities for lifelong learners, including community education, continuing education for practicing professionals, customized training for industry needs, special programs for senior adult learners, programs for English language learners, service-learning programs to add real-world experience to classroom learning, developmental programs to help students prepare for college coursework, and a host of other special academic programs.*

*To make these programs more accessible to all members of our community, we offer classes, programs, and services at two comprehensive campuses – MCC at Southern and Dobson and MCC at Red Mountain – and multiple other sites in our community. For students whose schedules do not permit them to attend classes in person, we are constantly expanding our course offerings through our online program.*

*We are committed to student success. We demonstrate this through the many kinds of support services we provide, including advisement, counseling, financial aid, disability resources, veterans services, multicultural and international services, career resources, child care, and re-entry services, among others. To enhance the college experience, we sponsor many student organizations, activities, and events. Remaining actively engaged with our community is our top priority. We reach out through volunteerism, service-learning, and working partnerships that keep us in close contact with the community we serve.*

*I am pleased to welcome you as a member of the MCC learning community.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be "L. Christiansen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

*Sincerely,  
Larry K. Christiansen  
President*

# HOW TO USE THIS CATALOG

Whether you are planning to complete the first two years of a bachelor's degree before transferring to a university, complete a certificate or degree that will prepare you with workforce skills for your career, or pursue special interests, you will find a great deal of helpful information in this catalog.

## Here's how to find what you are looking for:

**About MCC** describes the history of the college as well as our mission, our values, and our vision for the future. You'll learn about our national accreditations and our policies governing both campus life and academic matters. This section also describes some of our community connections.

If you want to know where to go for help with a specific issue that affects your life as a student, **Student Support Services** will guide you to the right source of assistance. Here you can find information about:

- Admissions
- Residency
- Advisement
- Testing and course placement
- Registration
- Financial aid
- Veterans services
- Transferring college credits
- Specialized services for your needs
- Student activities and organizations

Have you chosen a college major, or are you in the process of deciding on a major? **Academic Departments, Programs, and Services** provides descriptions of the many departments and programs that offer courses, certificates, and degree programs to help you meet your educational and career goals. You'll also find information about services that support your learning experiences at MCC, such as personal and academic counseling, library services, tutoring, computer labs, and technology support.

Along with traditional general education classes and career and technical classes, MCC offers learning opportunities for all kinds of learners.

If you are pursuing an associate degree or certificate at MCC, you will find information on the requirements for the program you have selected in **Graduation Requirements**. Read about all the associate degrees and certificates we offer.

Some of our degree and certificate programs are designed specifically to prepare you to enter a career or technical field. These programs emphasize skills needed in today's workforce. **Career and Technical Programs** provides a detailed list of all our career and technical programs and their individual requirements.

As you select courses to meet your educational and professional goals, you will want to see descriptions of the courses we offer at MCC. You'll find these in **Course Descriptions**. To look up a course, you need to know its three-letter prefix. The courses are listed alphabetically by prefix. Or you might prefer to browse through all of the courses offered in a particular discipline.

In **Contact MCC**, you will find directories of administrators, department chairpersons, directors, faculty, and support services to help you access the information and services you need. Also, we've included campus maps to help you locate classrooms and offices at our campuses and sites.

At the end of the catalog is the **Student Information Form** (that's what we call our admission form) and a **Checklist** to help you get started in your studies at MCC.

If you can't find what you need, call us at 480-461-7000.

And visit [www.mc.maricopa.edu](http://www.mc.maricopa.edu) for constantly updated information on our courses, programs, services, and events.

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