



Who We Are

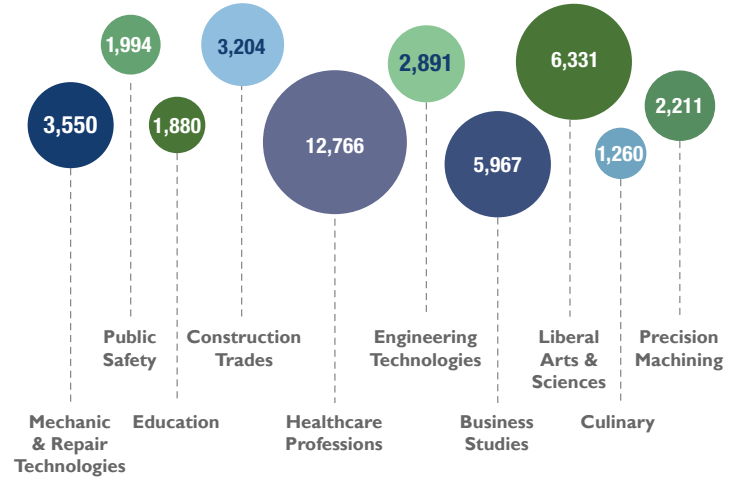
Maine's seven community colleges are the smart and affordable choice for lifelong learning in Maine serving more than 30,000 people a year.

- We're welcoming: Our community includes students in two-year associate degree and one-year certificate programs, short-term workforce training, early college programs, advanced certificates, and specialized skills training.
- We're affordable: Maine's community colleges have the lowest tuition and fees in New England, and generous scholarships and aid.
- We're vibrant: On-campus housing is available along with sports, clubs, athletic facilities, and campus events.
- We're practical: High-tech facilities mean students learn on equipment they'll use on the job.

Who We Serve

- 19,477 students enrolled in credit courses in fall 2023.
- 95% of incoming degree-seeking students are Maine residents.
- 81% of degree-seeking students get some form of grant aid. For 79% of degree-seeking students, grant aid covers the full cost of tuition and fees.
- 62% of all students attend part time.
- 81% of degree-seeking students are enrolled in career and occupational programs.

MCCS has awarded 47,614 college credentials since 2003. These skilled workers form the bedrock of the Maine economy.



Serving All Ages and Aspirations

- The average age of degree-seeking students is 24. 29 percent are adult learners age 25 or older.
- In 2022-2023, 5,958 Maine high-school students earned free college credits through our early college programs.
- 59% of new, degree-seeking students are recent high school graduates.
- Students at Maine's community colleges can easily transfer credits to the University of Maine System, and liberal studies students can be admitted to UMS with advanced standing. In fall 2022, 490 MCCS alumni enrolled in the UMaine System, while many other graduates enroll at colleges across New England and the country.

Our Locations



The seven community colleges and their off-campus centers are within 25 miles of 94% of Maine's population.

Maine's community colleges offer the lowest tuition in New England

Free for many. Affordable for all.

\$96 per credit hour

The average cost for a full-time student \$3,750 a year in tuition & fees.

High school graduates from Classes of 2020-2025 qualify for a Free College Scholarship that pays 100% of tuition and mandatory fees.

Over \$98 million in grant aid is awarded each year.

In 2022-2023, the community colleges served more than 30,000 individuals — through degree programs, customized training, and credit and non-credit offerings.

Building a Skilled Workforce for Maine

- We provide a wide range of short-term, workforce training programs so you're ready for the job you want within weeks and months – not years. We're on track to train 24,000 Mainers through 2025 in a wide range of industries.
- The 24,000 people to be trained will include short-term, pre-hire training for 11,100 people lacking skills needed to get jobs; upskilling training for 9,900 incumbent, front-line workers; and continuing education in college courses for 3,200 people.
- Our most popular short-term workforce training programs are in the health care industry, business, and the trades – but we offer programs that take less than a year to complete in virtually every education pathway at the colleges.
- Short-term workforce training is coordinated by the Harold Alfond Center for the Advancement of Maine's Workforce. Classes are offered online, at the colleges, at job sites, and other locations across the state.
- Short-term trainings include broadband technician, certified nursing assistant, CNC machine operator, commercial driving, CompTIA, Construction Institute, dental assistant, early childhood education, electric vehicle repair, EMT, high-pressure boiler operator, journeyman electrician, licensed practical nurse, manufacturing technician, marine design, mechanized logging operations, medical assistant, medical coding and billing, phlebotomy, pharmacy technician, respiratory therapy, surgical technician, Yamaha outboard motor repair, and welding.

