



## *Happy New Year!*

Now that the holidays are officially over and we have started a new year, we would like to share some exciting things that are happening at Middlesex. As always, we are eager to work with you and your students during our upcoming spring recruitment season. Whether the goal is to pursue a career opportunity, or transfer to a four-year college or university, MCC is a great option for any new student.

We have more than 70 different associate degree and certificate programs to ensure the skills and training necessary to achieve any goal. Middlesex Community College offers a graduating high school student many advantages, including affordable tuition, open admission to most programs of study, flexible course offerings, two unique campuses in Bedford and Lowell, and much more. MCC also provides a great opportunity for a high school student to get a head start on college-level courses through our Dual Enrollment Program.

MCC also participates in *MassTransfer*. This statewide program allows students to complete an associate degree at MCC and transfer into a linked bachelor's degree program

at a Massachusetts state university or UMass campus, saving both time and money. We make the process easy: All students need to do is complete a *MassTransfer* application form in their final semester. If they have a 2.5 grade point average, admission is guaranteed. And, if students earn a 3.0 or higher GPA, they are eligible for a 33 percent tuition waiver on in-state tuition costs. Some universities even offer a 100 percent tuition waiver!

Our Admissions staff is ready and willing to assist you with questions or to set up informational meetings with your students. Please utilize the contact information on the next page if you would like to reach out directly to our staff. We also have some exciting events coming up this spring, including our two Open Houses. Keep reading for more information. We thank you for your continued support of your students and of Middlesex Community College.

Sincerely,

*Jillian Freitas-Haley*

*Director of Admissions*

## MCC Offers

- Academic, Career and Personal Advising including disability support and veterans resources
- Honors programs for students to learn at advanced levels
- Fitness, recreation, and sports teams and clubs for students to be involved, learn a new skill, get some exercise and meet new people
- Civic and Community Engagement including community service and alternative spring break
- Transfer to MA State Colleges and Universities in addition to many other opportunities with articulation agreements both in and outside of Massachusetts
- Fellowship Study Abroad – an academic opportunity for MCC students to study a country's culture, literature, and history and then visit that country
- Monthly CPR courses on campus certified through the American Heart Association

## Dual Enrollment Partnerships at MCC

For most Massachusetts public school students, the admission requirement for Middlesex Community College is clear: Pass the MCAS and graduate high school. However, for some high-achieving students, the opportunity to take college courses comes prior to high school graduation in a program called Dual Enrollment.

Dual Enrollment is the program for *current* high school students to take courses here at MCC for high school and college credit. For many of these students, this will mean coming to campus like any other college student, building their own schedule, going to classes, joining clubs and sports teams, and participating in campus events.

For other Dual Enrollment students, the classes will come to them. More and more high schools across the county are planning to host Middlesex classes on site. For example, this spring Lowell High School students will be able to choose from classes such as "English Composition II," "Introduction to Psychology," "Introduction to Sociology,"



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“Environmental Studies,” and “Film, Video & Society.” Well-prepared Burlington High School students will be taking “Calculus,” while Bedford High School students will enroll in “Macroeconomics” and “Introduction to Psychology.”

These are just a handful of the local high schools that will be partnering with Middlesex to offer college courses on site. Last semester, roughly 350 high school students earned more than 2,000 college credits through Dual Enrollment at Middlesex.

A small cohort of Groton Dunstable Regional High School (GDRHS) students have been taking courses full time at MCC for several years, enjoying the life of the college student. Recently, we have entered into a new arrangement with this school that combines the best of both worlds in a new hybrid model. GDRHS students will still have the opportunity to take MCC courses at the college as before, but may now also enroll in “English Composition: or “U.S. History” during the day at the high school.

There will be additional Dual Enrollment opportunities after school as well when Groton Dunstable hosts an “Introduction to Engineering” lab. Since the engineering class will not be during the regular school day, GDRHS will open its doors to students from neighboring school districts, as well, bussing motivated students in from Tyngsboro, Chelmsford, and Westford to take the class together.

Dual Enrollment is an opportunity for high school students to earn both high school and college credit for the same course. Interested students, from freshmen to seniors, who meet the 2.0 minimum GPA, can take almost any college-level course offered at Middlesex – as long as they meet the course prerequisites. One student might take just one course over the summer, whereas another might enroll full time, completely replacing their regular high school course load with a college schedule. Students who enroll early in their high school career and who take full advantage of Dual Enrollment class offerings may even graduate from high school with an associate degree already completed.

To learn more about Dual Enrollment, please call the Middlesex Admissions office at 978-656-3207 or visit us at <https://www.middlesex.mass.edu/dualenroll/default.aspx>

**We look forward to hearing from you!**

**For Questions:**

Please contact MCC’s Admissions and Recruitment Department at 978-656-3207 or email at [admissions@middlesex.mass.edu](mailto:admissions@middlesex.mass.edu)

**Education Programs at MCC**

**Early Childhood Education Certificate and Degree** for students interested in working with young children. Our programs emphasize developmentally appropriate practices and have a child centered focus. Students learn and apply theory with hands-on experience in a required practicum, which may be in early care and education programs for children.



**Early Childhood Transfer/Elementary Education Transfer degree programs** for students who want to transfer into a bachelor’s degree program leading to teacher licensure. Students work with an academic advisor to create an individualized program in anticipation of selecting a major at the transfer institution (*qualifies for MassTransfer*).



**At Middlesex Community College**

Everyone teaches, everyone learns.

Join us for an

**Admissions Open House**

**Lowell Campus**  
9:30 a.m.  
Saturday, March 28  
33 Kearney Square

**Bedford Campus**  
5:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 28  
591 Springs Road

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- ACADEMIC, CAREER & TRANSFER COUNSELING
- PLACEMENT TESTING
- DUAL ENROLLMENT
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[www.middlesex.mass.edu/OH](http://www.middlesex.mass.edu/OH)  
or call 1-800-818-3434



## Study Abroad Opportunities at MCC

Middlesex offers study abroad programs to suit every student, including short course study tours, exchanges, and summer or semester-long options. These programs offer MCC students a chance to be part of a global education community. Middlesex Community College is committed to educating students about global issues and broadening student perspectives of the world community.

MCC's International Education Fellowship Program is an academic opportunity for Middlesex degree students to study a country's culture, literature and history through a three-credit course, including a two-week, in-country travel component. Since 1992, Middlesex has offered fellowships to China, Russia, Cambodia, Costa Rica, Spain, Ireland, Europe, Belize and Peru. Fellowships vary from year to year, and are usually held over the summer.

For students who want a shorter, more concise experience, we offer Study Abroad Short Courses. Interested students can spend two weeks travelling through a country with MCC faculty, visiting sites, experiencing the culture, and learning at the same time. In 2016, students have the opportunity to travel to Ireland and Scotland with English faculty, or to Costa Rica with Business and Economics faculty. These guided trips will focus on the faculty members' areas of expertise.

Middlesex has recently added full-semester Study Abroad opportunities in the form of partnerships with Bath Spa University and the University of West London, both located in England. This partnership program offers community college students the unique opportunity to fully immerse themselves in the culture and educational system "across the pond," for either fall or spring semester. MCC also offers an option for students who are finishing an associate degree to transfer to either of those institutions and finish a bachelor's degree.

All of the Study Abroad initiatives at Middlesex aim to enhance and broaden the experiences of our students, guiding them toward a global community. For more information about Global Education at Middlesex, please visit: <https://www.middlesex.mass.edu/globaleducation/studyabroad.aspx>



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## Commonwealth Honors Program

*Do you like a challenge?*

Middlesex offers **unique learning opportunities** for students who elect to study at a more **advanced level**

- Enroll in a variety of honors course options
- Master research & presentation techniques
- Enjoy unique extra- and co-curricular activities
- Enhance your application to bachelor's degree programs



To learn more, visit [www.middlesex.mass.edu/honors](http://www.middlesex.mass.edu/honors) or call 781-280-3553

## Criminal Justice Degree Programs

Available online and on campus

### The Law Enforcement Option

This program is designed for students **interested in working as police officers** and in other **law-enforcement careers**. This option provides students with a strong foundation in criminal justice and the opportunity to focus their studies in the area of law enforcement and policing.

### The Criminal Justice Transfer Option

This program prepares students for **transfer to bachelor's degree programs in criminal justice** and related fields. Students are able to develop a strong foundation in criminal justice and also study topics such as victimology, juvenile justice, corrections and policing.

The courses emphasize both an academic and practical approach to the three major areas of criminal justice – the police, courts and corrections – providing students with basic knowledge of legal issues as well as interpersonal skill-building and working with diverse populations (*qualifies for MassTransfer*).





Community Colleges have the **LOWEST TUITION** of all public colleges & universities

## Cost Comparison

The 2015 cost of tuition and fees at Middlesex Community College for a full-time (15 credits), in-state student is \$5,580 a year.

We also offer a special rate to neighboring New England state residents.

Compare this to the 2015 tuition rates of some area institutions listed below...



Institution	2015 Tuition and Fees	MCC 2015 Tuition and Fees	Annual Savings
UMass Amherst	14,356	5,580	8,776
UMass Lowell	13,427	5,580	7,847
UMass Boston	12,682	5,580	7,102
UMass Dartmouth	12,588	5,580	7,008
Salem State University	9,246	5,580	3,666
Framingham State University	8,700	5,580	3,120
Worcester State University	8,857	5,580	3,277
Fitchburg State University	9,935	5,580	4,355
Merrimack College	37,270	5,580	31,690
Northeastern University	45,530	5,580	39,950
Bentley University	44,085	5,580	38,505
Suffolk University	33,934	5,580	28,354
Boston University	48,436	5,580	42,856
Tufts University	50,604	5,580	45,024
Wellesley College	46,836	5,580	41,256

Source: CollegeBoard.org CollegeBoard.org 2015 tuition & fees. These costs are for tuition and fees only. They do not include the cost of books, educational supplies or room and board.



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591 Springs Road  
Bedford, MA 01730

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