Your Life. Their Future.

Mountain Empire Community College
Work. Family. School? How will I find time for college?

Balancing life commitments can seem overwhelming. The average age of an MECC student is 25, meaning a large number of our students return to college while also juggling work and family obligations. MECC’s programs meet the unique needs of adult learners by providing a flexible, supportive college experience. Options include face-to-face classes, online learning, and evening and weekend classes.

► **Work full-time** while completing your degree, certificate, or credential

► **Spend less time in class**
  
  Classes meet only one or two times a week
  
  Select classes can be completed in only eight weeks or less
  
  In-person classes can be combined with online courses

► **Focus on just one or two classes at a time** — you decide!

► Complete a **two-year career technical degree** or work toward your **bachelor’s degree**
Why do I need a college degree?

You want the right job, not just any job. An estimated 88% of MECC students are employed within 6 months of graduation, most within their field of study. Earn a certificate or degree that will boost your employability and increase your chances for advancement.
Degree and Certificate Programs

Mountain Empire Community College offers degrees and certificates in a variety of career fields and interests.

**Allied Health (Non-Clinical)**
- Administrative Support Technology – Medical Office Specialist
- Clinical Research Coordinator
- Funeral Services Assistant
- Health Information Management
- Medical Office Coding and Procedures
- Medical Receptionist & Transcriptionist
- Medical Records Technician
- Pharmacy Technician

**Arts & Music**
- Old Time Music

**Business**
- Administrative Support Technology
- Business Administration
- Clerical Assistant
- Help Desk Support
- Legal Office Assisting
- Management
- Paralegal Studies
- Real Estate
- Small Business Management

**Construction**
- Air Conditioning and Refrigeration
- Building Construction – Electrical
- Construction
- Electricity
- Energy Technology
- Electrical & HVAC Specializations

**Education**
- Child Development (Infant & Toddler & Pre-School Options)
- Pre-Teacher

**Engineering**
- 3-D Design
- Computer-Aided Drafting and Design Mapping Specialization
- Computer-Aided Drafting and Design Technology
- Geographical Information Systems

**Environmental**
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Science Water/Wastewater Specialization
- Forest Science
- Wastewater Plant Operator
- Water Plant Operator

**Health Sciences (Clinical)**
- Computed Tomography
- Emergency Medical Services Technology
- Emergency Medical Technician Basic
- Emergency Medical Technician Intermediate
- Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic
- Health Sciences
- Medical Laboratory Technology
- Nursing – LPN
- Nursing Assistant
- Nursing Track 1: Two Year Plan
- Nursing Track 2: Part-Time Evening Weekend
- Nursing Track 3: LPN to RN Bridge Program
- Nursing Track 4: Part-Time LPN to RN Bridge Program
- Occupational Therapy Assistant
- Phlebotomy
- Physical Therapy Assistant
- Radiography
- Respiratory Therapy
Manufacturing
Chemical Process Operator
Computerized Manufacturing Technology
(Electromechanical Technology & Industrial Electronics Specializations)
Energy Technology (Electrical & HVAC Specializations)
Industrial Maintenance
Machinery Maintenance
Welding

Public Safety
Administration of Justice
(Corrections and Law Enforcement Options)
Correctional Services
Corrections Management and Supervision
Law Enforcement Management and Supervision
Police Science

Technology
Computer Networking Technology
Computer Software Specialist
Computer Software Specialist — Mobile Application Development
Information Technology Readiness
Software Development

Associate of Arts & Science degrees
Transferable toward a Bachelor’s Degree
Business Administration
General Studies
General Studies – Software Engineering Specialization
Pre-Teacher Education
Science
Science – Engineering Specialization
As a displaced coal miner, I needed to be retrained and reeducated for a new career. The WIOA (Workforce Investment and Opportunity Act) provided me the opportunity to attend classes at MECC which have educated and trained me in the job skills necessary for a new career in Energy Technology.

—Greg Maggard, 2016 MECC Graduate, AAS Energy Technology program
“Honestly I bounced around a lot before I came to MECC, trying to find what it was I wanted to do. I always loved pulling my computer apart to find out what was wrong. I ended up really enjoying the networking classes at MECC. Before going through this program, there is no way I could have gotten a job in the IT field. Now, with my internship and class experience, I’m definitely prepared to go to work.”

—Chessie Molinary, MECC Graduate, AAS Computer Networking Technology
My budget is already tight. How can I afford college?

Compare the cost. MECC allows you to save thousands compared to other four-year colleges. 96% of MECC students receive financial assistance. A college degree is an affordable investment.

There are a variety of resources to make college affordable:

- Financial Aid
- MECC Scholarships
- Payment Plan
- Employer-Sponsored Tuition Reimbursement

Comparing Annual Tuition Cost*

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“Three years ago my job was moved, ending life as I knew it. After discussing my layoff with my wife I decided to do what I could to help people, something I’ve always wanted to do. That’s when I enrolled at MECC and applied for the Nursing Program. I haven’t looked back and I am proud to be where I am now. I’m thankful for every day in the program.”

—Jeff Triplett, MECC Student, Registered Nursing Program
Is college too “tough” for me?

From the moment you become an MECC student to graduation, help is available every step of the way. We offer:

- Advising
- Career Services
- Center for Student Outreach and Success
- Disability Services
- Educational & Professional Credential Testing
- Fitness Center
- Technology Assistance
- Transfer Services
- Tutoring
- Veterans Services

Visit www.mecc.edu/studentsupport for more information.

“I am a success story because of the superior teaching staff and quality education opportunities at MECC. The Health Information Management program has provided me with the experience, leadership skills, and knowledge I need to progress in my position with Holston Medical Group.”

— Vivian Rogers, 2016 MECC Health Information Management Graduate
Does my life experience count?

Skills and knowledge may be gained in ways other than through the classroom. MECC offers several options to receive credit for past experience and training.

College Credit for Work Experience
• Earn credit for what you’ve accomplished on the job

Military Training and Experience
• Service members and veterans qualify for credit and support services at MECC

Transfer Credits
• MECC accepts credits earned at other colleges and universities

MECC honors your past and helps you build your future!

“I spent 26 years in the Army, with 22 of those as a non-commissioned officer. My time and training helped me to be a good speaker, a leader, and a mentor. These traits not only helped me be a success at MECC, but also enabled me to earn college credit.”

—George Merriam, 2016 MECC Graduate, Associate of Applied Science Correctional Services and Police Science
MECC offers a free Quick Start to College class designed for individuals who have considered college, but are unsure about what is required. Covering just six weeks, the course allows students the opportunity to obtain three college credits at no cost without having to enroll for a full semester.

- Navigate campus offices and classes
- Assistance with financial aid application
- Career counseling
- Computer skills training
- Math and English refresher

Students must have a high school diploma or equivalent (GED).

For more information, or to enroll, visit www.mecc.edu/quickstart or call 276.523.7438.
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Don’t Delay. Get Started Today!

1. Complete an application. Apply online at www.mecc.edu/apply
2. Apply for financial aid at www.mecc.edu/paying-for-college
3. Take a placement test and meet with an advisor
4. Register and pay for classes

To apply or for more information about admissions, degree programs, financial aid and more, visit www.mecc.edu or call 276.523.7474.