



- Identify Your Career Interests: Visit [Career Services](#) for help and resources.
- Explore Colleges and Universities: What best suits *you*? Consider: public vs. private, location, size, majors, cost, setting (urban, suburban, rural), sports programs, religious affiliation, etc. Useful websites: [College Navigator](#) and [SUNY Program Search](#).
- Research College Websites: Check transfer admission requirements, GPA needed, curriculum deadlines, names of contact people, housing information, scholarships, etc.
- Connect with Schools: Schedule a 1:1 Appointment with an admissions advisor from area four-year colleges right at MCC. Or, stop by a visiting school at a College Table. See the [College Visits to MCC Calendar](#) for dates and times.
- Visit Campuses: Get a feel for the personality of the campus. Go to an open house, group or individual visit. Meet with an admissions counselor and the academic department.
- Register with Transfer in Mind: What classes should you take at MCC?
 - Concentrate on the prerequisite courses required to be admitted into your major.
 - Complete general education or core courses required by the four-year college (for example, history, humanities, foreign language.) Some colleges (including SUNY Brockport, SUNY Geneseo, St. John Fisher, and Nazareth) waive their core if you earn an Associate degree. Talk to the 4-year college to find out more. You may need to earn an AS or AA degree.
 - Look for transfer agreements and course equivalencies on the college's website or the [MCC Transfer Services webpage](#).

Keep in Mind

- Only your credits will transfer; not your GPA. Your MCC GPA is what the colleges look at when making the admission, scholarship, and credit transfer decisions. You will start with a new GPA at the next school.
- AP/IB/CLEP credit will need to be evaluated by the transfer institution. There is no guarantee you will receive credit even if you were awarded college credit by MCC.
- Most colleges have a maximum number of credits they accept from a two-year college. This varies by institution.
- SUNY General Education courses taken at MCC will fulfill SUNY General Education requirements at all SUNY institutions.
- Keep a copy of descriptions and course information sheets for each course, especially if you transfer out of state.
- Some schools will not provide a transfer credit evaluation until a student has been accepted or made a deposit. Often a grade of 'C' or higher is required to earn transfer credit. Some colleges will accept all passing courses if you have earned an Associate's degree.

The Application Process

1. Fill Out Applications

- a. SUNY Colleges: Use the [SUNY application](#). It is short, easy, and the application fee can be waived for up to seven schools if you are graduating from MCC.
- b. Private and Out-of-State Colleges: Use the college's application on their website or the [Transfer Common Application](#) if you are applying to several schools.
- c. Check application requirements and deadlines.
 - i. Some colleges and majors (ex. nursing, engineering) may require an additional application.
 - ii. Check deadlines for admission, on-campus housing, and financial aid.

2. Request Official Transcripts

- a. MCC Transcripts: Log into your myMCC Portal/Student Home/Academic & Personal Accounts/Transcripts. There is no fee for this.
- b. Additional Transcripts: Request that your official transcripts from **all** colleges attended, high school, SAT/ACT scores (if needed), and any AP/IB /CLEP scores be sent to the transfer colleges. **You** must request these.

3. Apply for Financial Aid: Don't wait to be accepted to the college. Apply early! Include all colleges you are considering on your [FAFSA](#). Apply for TAP and/or the Excelsior Scholarship if appropriate. Selective, private institutions may require additional forms such as the [CSS Profile \(College Scholarship Service\)](#) which is found on the College Board website. Make sure to check!

Transferring without a Degree

You can still graduate from MCC through a "[Reverse Transfer](#)." Contact [Graduation Services](#) at MCC for more information.

For more information, visit the [Transfer Services webpage](#).