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High-achieving high school graduates thrive at MCC. Nearly a quarter of our student body (24.4 percent) are recent high school graduates who present academic credentials that meet admissions requirements at selective colleges. MCC attracts and inspires well-prepared, academically driven students and provides a gateway to national scholarship and transfer opportunities for their future success.

## High-Impact Learning Culture

Academically talented students come to MCC for our comprehensive educational programs (more than 90 degrees and certificates offered). Our high-impact learning culture prepares students for almost any degree offered at a four-year institution. Accomplished and student-focused faculty, smaller class sizes and individualized mentoring during the first and second years of college help students graduate with the essential skills they need to be successful—proving that the benefits of starting at MCC are more than financial.

### MCC Offers Excellent Academics and Enhanced Learning Options:

- Honors Institute
- Research opportunities, culminating with our annual Scholars' Day
- Individualized mentoring
- Merit-based scholarships and access to national scholarship programs
- Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society chapter
- Travel and study abroad opportunities
- Learning communities
- Leadership Institute
- Writing intensive and team-taught courses
- Service-learning opportunities
- Top-tier athletics

## Faculty Focused on Teaching



Our faculty love to teach and mentor students, helping them discover hidden talents and interests, such as writing, scientific research and leadership. Many MCC professors are nationally recognized scholars in their fields and provide exceptional opportunities for student development, including robust undergraduate research opportunities at leading universities such as SUNY Albany, SUNY Binghamton, Upstate Medical, Clarkson University, Cornell University and Rochester Institute of Technology.

## Prestigious National Scholarship Winners

Four MCC students were among 180 Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society members worldwide selected as 2013 Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholars. Sean Jopson, Heather Maynard, Amelia Garcia and Holland Emerson were chosen from more than 800 applications based on outstanding academic achievement and demonstrated leadership potential.

## Defined Academic and Career Pathways

MCC faculty and staff provide clear pathways to support students' diverse goals. Students are guided through goal setting, career and academic planning, and personal development by knowledgeable faculty and staff. Through course-based study as well as experiential learning activities, students have the opportunity to develop mentor/mentee relationships.



## National Competitors



Students in MCC's Engineering Leadership Council build upon classroom learning and compete against other engineering students from across the state and nation. MCC's engineering science students have won the American Society of Engineering Education's National Robotics Competition multiple times. Students begin designing and building in their freshman year

and go on to transfer to more than 30 four-year institutions, including the highly selective engineering programs offered by Cornell University, Clarkson University, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Virginia Tech, University of Arizona, University of Michigan and California Institute of Technology.

## College Credits Earned in High School Pay Off

In partnership with local high schools, MCC offers more than 70 different courses for credit so students can get a head start on a college degree. In 2013-2014, nearly 4,000 high school students from 51 schools and BOCES programs took MCC courses at their home school. Highly motivated students who earn college credits while in high school, start at MCC with sophomore status—and are ready to graduate and transfer to a bachelor's degree program in half the time and at half the cost!

## MCC's Honors Institute

MCC's Honors Institute is an intellectual community of bright and academically driven students who enjoy small class sizes and a rich curriculum. Honors courses are integrated with co-curricular travel, service learning, scholarship research and social events resulting in a more rewarding and enriching academic experience. Students are well prepared to transfer to highly selective institutions such as Amherst, Cornell and the University of Rochester with full junior status and earn a four-year degree.



“Freshmen, who are experiencing their first semester, let me save you over forty thousand dollars ... Go to a local community college around your hometown, make sure what mom and dad are spending their nest egg on is really what you want to do for a job, and transfer to that dream university after two years.”

– Peter Thayer '11 (pictured at left), a graduate student and chemistry major at the University of Rochester (source: *Campus Times*)


### Where to Find MCC Graduates:

- Columbia University exploring behavioral neuroscience
- Amherst College studying cultural anthropology
- Cornell University pursuing communications and biology
- SUNY Geneseo embracing English literature and art history
- Clarkson University studying mechanical and chemical engineering
- St. John Fisher College studying pharmacy
- Rochester Institute of Technology studying electrical engineering and business
- University at Buffalo preparing for a law career
- University of Rochester majoring in chemistry and nursing
- Mount Holyoke College pursuing economics and international relations
- University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill exploring psychology

...and attending 132 other colleges and universities preparing to take on the world!

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