

**Remarks by COSTAATT President Gillian Paul  
Recognizing MCC's Contribution to the  
Development of COSTAATT**

**College of Science, Technology & Applied Arts  
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*It is a pleasure, an honor, and a daunting task to share with you the history and benefits of the partnership between Monroe Community College and The College of Science, Technology, and the Applied Arts in Trinidad and Tobago.*

*Since the 1990's, MCC has helped COSTAATT to develop associate degree programs in police science, fire technology, corrections administration, business administration, and health related fields.*

*MCC provided assistance in the design of the College's systems, policies, and procedures in finance, IT, HR, student affairs, distance education, and library services.*

*They helped to design and implement the College's wide-area network, linking all seven campuses in the late 1990's. And you know, we did not have a lot of internet then to send emails from Port of Spain to campuses north and south. It was such a thrill. We take that for granted today, but at the time it was ground breaking. With MCC's help, we did this and the nation took notice.*

*MCC led the team that helped COSTAATT select Banner as the technology solution that would allow COSTAATT to operate in a decentralized environment.*

*They assisted in researching the legal framework to establish COSTAATT which led to the College's authorizing act by Parliament. Going back to the beginning and working with the National Institute for Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology, MCC has contributed significantly to the College's architecture.*

*MCC faculty have always been enthusiastic and committed to our partnership. They have been hard working and competent, taking time to come to Trinidad and Tobago to work long hours. MCC has provided inspiring consultancies. Their work is unsurpassed.*

*It is difficult to explain the quality of support and input from MCC. It has been unbelievable. MCC has always responded with energy and enthusiasm; they have been an anchor in a sea of organizational development and change. It is a joyous occasion for me and those who have benefitted from MCC's work to recognize their contributions at our fifteenth anniversary.*





