Your Best Choice for Success

Whether you’re a recent high school graduate, returning to the classroom to advance your career or seeking to start a new one, Muskegon Community College is your best choice for success in West Michigan.

MCC offers 54 associate degrees, 42 certificates, and several non-credit Continuing Education opportunities. Our graduates meet both today’s occupational needs and Michigan’s “Hot 50” high-demand, high-wage careers of the next five years.

Our award-winning faculty members teach a diverse community of over 5,000 dedicated students of all ages. They choose MCC for its life-changing educational programs, small class sizes, affordable tuition, flexible class scheduling, transferable credits and complete college experience.

Musical Studies at MCC offer students programs for personal enrichment, transfer, and entrepreneurial opportunities.
Music

Music careers are related to the performing arts, but career areas are varied and include: teaching/education, composing and arranging, conducting, music therapy, music libraries, the recording industry, communications, and other careers such as sales, music journalism, and law.

Whether you are beginning your study as a music professional, trying to decide if music is your future, or just want to take courses for enrichment and fun, MCC music can meet your needs. With a dedicated and experienced faculty we can prepare you for a career in music or simply for the life-long enjoyment of music.

The Music Department at Muskegon Community College (part of the very successful Arts & Humanities Department) is expanding to include new performance-based ensembles as well as additional music curriculum.

New Ensembles Offered
MCC has three new instrumental music ensembles:

The Jayhawk Sound, the athletic or activities band of the campus, which performs at home sports events and away tournaments as well as other community events.

The Jazz Ensemble, a select big band Jazz Ensemble, provides the opportunity to rehearse and perform outstanding literature in contemporary and traditional big band jazz. The ensemble is dedicated to increasing the knowledge of jazz literature and improving skills in improvisation and ensemble playing. Special consideration is given to the rehearsal and performance of student compositions and arrangements. The Jazz Ensemble performs publicly and may include regional tours.

The Wind Ensemble, a select ensemble dedicated to preparing and performing the finest traditional, contemporary and transcribed literature for Wind Ensemble. An emphasis is placed on understanding the pieces from an aesthetic and stylistic basis. The Wind Ensemble performs publicly and may include regional tours.

These new ensembles compliment the long standing performance groups offered through MCC that includes the MCC College Singers, the award winning West Michigan Concert Winds and the West Michigan Youth Symphony.

Courses
In addition to the various ensembles, MCC offers a multitude of music courses, including: Music Theory, Music for the Classroom Teacher, Sight-Reading and Ear Training, Introduction to MIDI (Musical Instrument Digital Interface), Advanced Theory, Vocal and Instrumental Conducting Techniques, and a full repertoire of applied music courses based on specific instruments.

Music Performance Entrepreneur
This degree program provides the foundation skills for the performance musician to operate, promote, manage, and stage a musical act in the professional music world. Everyone seeking this degree makes music and participates in ensembles of their own choosing. Students have the option of specializing in one instrument or broadening their instrumental repertoire through the study of multiple instruments. Students are asked to explore music literature and music theory. They also gain hands-on experience with the technology and software professionals use for business communication, accounting and finance functions associated with money making enterprises. People completing this degree are exposed to music career options and common business practices, along with the challenges and joys of being a musical artist.

Visit www.muskegoncc.edu/startnow and apply to MCC today.

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