

# General Information

## Institutional Description

Mitchell Community College, founded in 1852, is a comprehensive, open-admissions community college dedicated to meeting the post-secondary education and training needs of the citizens of Iredell County and surrounding areas. The college provides an array of high quality programs at low cost in an historically rich environment. Mitchell is a student-centered institution where all persons are encouraged to develop their abilities in a community that respects diversity and is supportive of individual achievement. Attuned to the social, civic, cultural, and economic development of the community as a whole, instructional programs are focused on meeting the educational and training needs of all persons over eighteen years of age and persons sixteen years of age and older with special needs.

## Location

Mitchell Community College is located in piedmont North Carolina, downtown Statesville, in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Interstate highways 40 and 77 intersect on the outskirts of the city. Statesville is situated approximately 50 miles north of Charlotte, and 50 miles southwest of Winston-Salem. The population of Iredell County is approximately 106,000.

## Mission

Mitchell Community College, a learning-centered institution, provides affordable, high-quality educational and training programs and services to meet the changing and diverse lifelong learning needs of a multi-culturally diverse citizenry who live and work in a global society.

## Purpose

Mitchell Community College commits its resources to the following purposes:

to provide associate degree, diploma, and certificate programs to meet the pre-service and in-service work-force development needs for industry, business, government, and service occupations; to provide associate degree programs for the first two years of academic courses leading to baccalaureate and professional degrees; to provide each student the opportunity to develop the skills and values necessary to succeed in college; to provide student development services including admissions, financial aid, counseling, and career planning, job placement, testing, and student activities; to provide educational opportunities to meet the professional, personal, and cultural needs of the community; to serve the adult population with basic education and salable skills; to enhance personal development through general and continuing education.

## Belief Statements

The faculty, staff and administration of Mitchell Community College are committed to the philosophy of the comprehensive community college. We believe, therefore, that the student is the focal point of all efforts of the college; that we are a college community that respects diversity and is supportive of individual achievement; that Mitchell Community College has a responsibility to enhance the social, civic, cultural, and economic development of the community and the global society; that Mitchell Community College has a responsibility to enhance the quality of life of the community; and that the door of opportunity for learning should be open to all who seek personal and professional development.

## Accreditation

Mitchell Community College is accredited by the Commission of Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Inquiries regarding accreditation status can be addressed to: 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097. Telephone: 404.679.4501.

- Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs ([www.caahep.org](http://www.caahep.org)), 35 East Wacker Drive, Suite 1970, Chicago, IL 60601-2208, 312.553.9355

- National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (61 Broadway, New York, NY 10006, 212.363.5555 ext.153)

## Membership

Mitchell Community College is a member of:

- American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers
- American Community College Business Officers
- American Association of Community Colleges
- American Association of Women in Community Colleges
- Association of Community College Trustees
- Carolinas Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers
- Charlotte Area Educational Consortium
- College Stores Association of NC
- Cooperative Education Association
- Greater Statesville Chamber of Commerce
- International Association of Administrative Professionals
- Mooresville-South Iredell Chamber of Commerce
- National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators
- National Association of Veteran Program Administrators

- National Council on Black American Affairs
- National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development
- National League for Nursing: Associate Degree Nursing
- North Carolina Association of Colleges and Universities
- North Carolina Association of Community College Trustees
- North Carolina Association of Coordinators of Veteran Affairs
- North Carolina Citizens for Business and Industry
- NC College & University Personnel Association
- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
- The College Board

## Veterans

Persons enrolled in an approved program at Mitchell Community College will be eligible to receive Veteran's educational benefits if they qualify.

