

General Information

History

Mitchell Community College was founded in 1852 as Concord Presbyterian Female College and later became Simonton Female College. In the early years, the emphasis was on music and fine arts programs. As the curriculum expanded the College hired Miss Margaret Mitchell, daughter of Dr. Elisha Mitchell of the University of North Carolina to teach botany. In 1875, the Board of Trustees selected Miss Mitchell's sister, Mrs. Eliza Mitchell Grant as president of the College. The institution thrived under their leadership. In 1917, the College was renamed Mitchell College in honor of Dr. Mitchell and his daughters. Growth continued and Mitchell became a "junior college" in 1924. In 1932, Mitchell opened enrollment to male students.

In 1973, Mitchell College joined the North Carolina Community College System as the fifty-seventh member and the only private college to be admitted. With the change came the new name Mitchell Community College. Today, Mitchell is a comprehensive, open-admissions College dedicated to meeting the postsecondary education and training needs of the citizens of Iredell County and the surrounding areas. Throughout its rich history, Mitchell has proven its commitment, perseverance, and ability to adapt to the changing educational and training needs of the community.

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—

- Provide associate degree, diploma, and certificate programs to meet the pre-service and in-service workforce development needs for industry, business, government, and service occupations
- Provide associate degree programs for the first two years of academic courses leading to baccalaureate and professional degrees
- Provide each student the opportunity to develop the skills and values necessary to succeed in college
- Provide student development services including admissions, financial aid, counseling, and career planning, job placement, testing, and student activities
- Provide educational opportunities to meet the professional, personal, and cultural needs of the community
- 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—

- The student is the focal point of all efforts of the college
- We are a college community that respects diversity and is supportive of individual achievement
- We have a responsibility to enhance the social, civic, cultural, and economic development of the community and the global society
- We have a responsibility to enhance the quality of life of the community
- The door of opportunity for learning should be open to all who seek personal and professional development

Accreditation

Commission of Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS)

1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, Phone 404.679.4501, www.sacs.org

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP)

1361 Park Street, Clearwater, FL 33756, Phone 727.210.2350, www.caahep.org

National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLN)

3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 500, Atlanta, GA 30326, Phone 404.975.5000, Fax 404.975.5020, www.nlnac.org

Memberships

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 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

Endowment for Excellence

The Mitchell Community College Endowment for Excellence is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that enables the college to respond to changing education and economic environments. Proceeds support low-cost programs for a growing student population, underfunded and unfunded programs and services, response to industry and community needs for workforce training and faculty/staff development. To find out about giving opportunities, contact the Office for Development.

Alumni

The Alumni Association strives to stay in touch with graduates, help graduates connect with one another and to share information about personal and professional accomplishments. All graduates are invited to an annual alumni reunion held in May. alumni@mitchellcc.edu.

Veterans

Refer to section on Veteran Affairs.

EEO/Affirmative Action

Mitchell Community College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, disability, age, or marital status in any of its policies, procedures, or practices. This nondiscrimination policy covers admission, employment, and

access to all college programs and activities. Anyone with concerns should contact the Equal Employment/Affirmative Action Officer.

Disability Support

Under the guidelines of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Mitchell Community College makes reasonable accommodations for otherwise qualified individuals with known physical and mental limitations. For details about how to request a disability related accommodation, contact the Equal Employment/Affirmative Action Officer.

Mitchell Community College 2007-2008 Outcomes/State Performance Measures

Progress of basic skills students

- State Standard: 75% will make progress
- MCC Outcome: 76%

Licensure and certification

- State Standard: 80% aggregate pass rate for first time test takers
- MCC Outcome: aggregate pass rate 86%

Performance of college transfer students

- State Standard: 83% of students who transfer to a 4-year institution will have a GPA of 2.0 or higher after two semesters
- MCC Outcome: 86%

Passing rates of students in developmental courses

- State Standard: 75%
- MCC Outcome: 81%

Success rate of developmental students in subsequent college-level courses

- State Standard: 80% of students who took developmental courses will pass the gatekeeper English and/or mathematics course for which the developmental course serves as a prerequisite
- MCC Outcome: 84% aggregate, 88% English, 77 % Math

Student satisfaction of program completers and non-completers

- State Standard: 90% will report satisfaction with the quality of the College's programs and services
- MCC Outcome: 94% reported satisfaction

Curriculum student retention, graduation and transfer

- State Standard: 65% of defined cohort will graduate, transfer or be retained
- MCC Outcome: 66% retention/completion

Business/industry satisfaction with services provided

- State Standard: 90%
- MCC Outcome: 93% reported satisfaction