

Pathways to College Monroe Community College

Starting Spring 2021, MCC will offer a new grant funded program:
Pathways to College



The ***Pathways to College (PTC)*** Program affords individuals who have dropped out of high school the opportunity to earn a New York State High School Equivalency (HSE) Diploma while completing a one-year stackable certificate program that will lead directly to the workforce. MCC is able to offer this program tuition free because of a grant funded by ESL Federal Credit Union.

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Student Supports:

Pathways to College program participants will receive wrap around support services coordinated by Jessica Saltzberg, Student Support Advocate, who works collaboratively with the Student Support teams in four core areas: academic, personal, career and transitions.

MCC Program Pathways

- Human Services Bridge (Cert)
- IT Bridge: IT Support Professional (Cert)
- Precision Machining Optical Fabrication (Cert)
- Health Care Bridge (Cert)
- Business Bridge
- Liberal Arts, General Studies Bridge

Program Eligibility Criteria:

- Residency: Must be a current resident of New York State for at least one month and must not have graduated from high school or have already qualified for the NYS High School Equivalency Diploma.
- Candidates must be 19 years of age or older
 - * individuals ages 16- 18 years old should consult with PTC program administrator on eligibility

Pathways to College & Strong Foundations Monroe Community College

Starting Spring 2021, MCC will offer two grant funded programs: **Pathways to College** and **Strong Foundations**.



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Strong Foundations is a 16 hour per week pre-matriculation program offering intensive instruction in English and Mathematics with no cost to students. It replaces TRS 100 and TRS 092/094. Upon completion, students matriculate into an MCC program.

Strong Foundations ESOL is recommended for non-native speakers because second language acquisition is different from remediating language skills. The program helps students improve Basic Interpersonal Communication Skills (BICS) and develop Cognitive Academic Language Proficiency (CALP), which typically takes from five to seven years.

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Strong Foundations

Overview

Strong Foundations' contextualized curriculum aligns with the four pillars of guided pathways. Students are enrolled in Developmental English and Developmental Math sections as part of a cohort. Non-cognitive college success skills are embedded and integrated into the curriculum. The program provides opportunities for individualized acceleration to allow each student to reach their greatest potential in achievement.

A primary feature of the program is intentional, mindful advising, informed by a developmental approach, that helps students choose and enter an appropriate pathway. Students benefit from supportive scheduling that integrates availability for advisement, tutoring, and other supports. The program provides dedicated support personnel, including: academic advisors, retention advisors, counselors, academic tutors, academic coaches, and liaisons to MCC student resources and community resources.

Contact Information

Pathways to College: pathwaystocollege@monroccc.edu

Strong Foundations: strongfoundations@monroccc.edu

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**Welcome to Pathways to College
and Strong Foundations!**



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J. Saltzberg

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Pathways to College

Funded by a grant from ESL Federal Credit Union
Students can earn a NYS HSE Diploma and an MCC certificate

- Books, Tuition and Fees are covered by grant

Eligibility:

- Students cannot have a high school diploma or equivalency diploma
- Students must be NYS residents for at least 1 month

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Strong Foundations

Funded by grant from ESL Federal Credit Union

16 hour per week pre-matriculation program in developmental English and math

15 hour per week pre-matriculation program in ESL with developmental math option

Wraparound supports for students coordinated by the Student Advocate/Advisor

Upon successful completion, students matriculate into an MCC program/24 credits for HSE diploma



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Supports and Benefits

The Student Advocate/Advisor is available to assist and coordinate support for students' academic and non-academic needs

Students will not accrue debt while taking courses toward their HSE diploma or certificate

Students complete Pathways to College with 2 credentials and can either get a great job or continue their education

With a high school diploma, students can receive financial aid, which is often limited or unavailable to students without a high school diploma



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Referral and Admissions Process

Interested students can email: pathwaystocollege@monroecc.edu

Community partners can also contact us via email with names and contact information of interested individuals

Interested individuals will need to apply for admissions and submit high school transcripts to:

admissions@monroecc.edu

If high school transcript is unavailable, testing at MCC will determine placement for math and English

Contact us with any questions!



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Thank you for your interest in Pathways to College and Strong Foundations!



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