



# Quinsigamond Community College:

**Who Are We, and What Can  
We Do For You?**

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# com·mu·ni·ty col·lege:

- Two-year college; we prepare you for a career and/or the opportunity for transfer into a four-year university
- You can earn an Associate's Degree and/or Certificate
- We are a commuter school meaning we do not offer on-campus housing
- We are smaller in size compared to a four-year university



# Access

- Open Enrollment Process
  - No SAT's, ACT's
  - No College Essay
  - No Letters of Recommendation



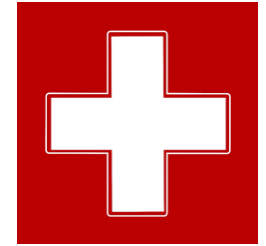


# Academics

- **General Studies/ Liberal Arts**
  - Biotechnology, Deaf Studies
- **Human Services**
  - Criminal Justice, Early Childhood Education
- **Health Sciences\***
  - Nursing, Radiology Technology, Medical Assisting, Dental Hygiene
- **Engineering & Technology**
  - Engineering, Manufacturing Technology, Computer Science
- **Business Administration**



# Health Programs



- Many health programs are high demand, e.g.;  
Nursing, Dental Hygiene, Surgical Technology &  
Radiology Technology
- High Demand means that there is more than a  
1-year waitlist
- You must qualify for your program of choice  
before you are placed on the waitlist
  - *TEAS Test, fulfillment of prerequisites*



# Health Programs Cont.



- If not qualified, you will be offered General Studies Health Care Option, and can take courses needed to later qualify
- You will be invited to a Health Information Session on campus for more information. This is a mandatory requirement for health program acceptance



# How We Are *Your* Higher Education Solution:





# Affordability

- QCC is the **MOST AFFORDABLE** higher education in Central MA!
    - **\$181/ credit (in-state)**
  - Typical tuition fees for full-time (12 credits) Massachusetts Resident is:
    - **\$2,562 per semester/ \$ 5,094 per year**
- \*No health insurance in cost per year





# Flexible Schedule Options

- Take classes at your own pace:
  - Full-time or part-time schedule
  - Online and weekend classes available
  - Classes at many locations:
    - Worcester
    - Southbridge
    - Marlborough
    - Blackstone (*coming soon!*)



# Knowledgeable Advising

- Academic Advising
  - Assists in choosing a program
  - Assists in choosing classes
- Career Advising
  - Assists with interview skills
  - Assists with writing resumes
  - Internship Searches





# Helpful Assistance

- Academic Support Services
  - Individualized Learning Center
  - Communications Learning Center
  - Math Center
  - Transitions Center
- Disabilities Services
  - Providing reasonable accommodations and support services





# Activities

- Over 30 clubs, sports and organizations
- On-campus athletic center **Free** to all students
- Wyverns NJCAA athletics program
  - Baseball *M, DIV. III*
  - Softball *W, DIV. II*
  - Basketball: *M, W, DIV. III*





# Financial Aid: How Does It Work?

- Financial assistance helps to offset the cost of your education
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov). QCC school code 002175
- QCC administers federal, state and institutional financial aid programs
- Your eligibility for financial aid is based upon need

**Financial Aid Formula**  
**COA - EFC = Need**





# Types of Financial Aid Assistance

## **Grants and Scholarships:**

- Generally available to students demonstrating a high need for financial assistance

## **Tuition Waivers:**

- Available to students demonstrating financial need and/or meeting other eligibility requirements.

## **Loans:**

- funding that is repaid generally after completing your program
- Parent and alternative loans are also available.

## **Work Study Employment:**

- Variety of positions are available both on and off campus to eligible students.



# Avenues of Possibilities



- **Transfer Options:**

- **MassTransfer**

- 2.5 GPA or higher + Associate Degree = Guaranteed Admission to any MA State 4-year institution

- **Articulation Agreements**

- Over 50 different Articulation Agreements with 17 institutions for specific programs

- **MassTransfer Block (No Degree-Earned Option)**

- Students who complete this 34-credit MassTransfer Block with a 2.0 or higher grade point average will satisfy the core/distribution/general education requirements at the receiving institution.



# Where Can I Go?

- **MassTransfer**
  - UMASS Amherst
  - UMASS Lowell
  - UMASS Dartmouth
  - UMASS Boston
  - Fitchburg State University
  - Framingham State University
  - Salem State University
  - Worcester State University
  - Bridgewater State University
  - Westfield State University







# Where Can I Go?



- **Articulation Agreements**
  - WPI (3.0; GUARANTEED Admission)
  - Assumption College
  - Becker College
  - Clark University
  - Anna Maria College
  - Nichols College
  - Mass College of Pharmacy/Health Sciences
  - Regis College
  - Johnson & Wales University
  - Champlain College



# Next Steps

- **Begin the enrollment process**
  - Complete an application
  - Provide us with your High School Diploma/HiSET
  - Schedule your Accuplacer Test
  - Register for Classes
  - Start!
- **Begin Financial Aid process**
  - Obtain your PIN(s)
  - Complete the FAFSA online
    - QCC School Code: 002175



# Questions?

