

H. Profile of Institution

Mercer County Community College was established in 1966. It began operations in the summer of 1967 after incorporating the former Trenton Junior College and School of Industrial Arts, an institution whose history dates from 1902. Initially housed in various rented facilities in downtown Trenton, the college moved in 1972 to a comprehensive new campus located on 290 acres adjacent to a sprawling new county park in suburban/rural West Windsor Township. Limited operations continued in Trenton until 1976, when the newly constructed James Kerney Campus opened as a visible sign of the college's continuing commitment to serve the Trenton community.

Degree and Certificate Programs

The scope of Mercer's educational offerings is among the broadest in the state of New Jersey. Through more than 80 program options, students may earn an Associate in Arts (AA), Associate in Fine Arts (AFA), Associate in Science (AS) or Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degree or a Certificate of Proficiency. Unique programs including Funeral Service and Aviation continue to draw a large number of out-of-county students to Mercer. Noncredit offerings cover a wide spectrum, including customized corporate training, continuing professional education, personal interest courses, entry-level employment skills development, and adult basic education. There are also many youth-oriented year-round programs and summer camps.

Table H.1 Credit Programs by Degree Type, Fall 2006

Access Programs

English-as-a-Second Language	Non-degree Exploratory
LPN-RN Upward Mobility	Non-degree Other College
Non-degree Career Related	Non-degree Personal Development

AA Programs

Communications	Humanities and Social Science
Communications: Speech and Theater	International Studies
Dance	Political and Legal Studies
Education	Theatre

AFA Programs

Dance	Visual Arts
Theatre	

AS Programs

Architecture	Criminal Justice: Corrections
Aviation Management	Criminal Justice: Law Enforcement
Biology	Funeral Service Preparatory
Business Administration	Mathematics
Chemistry	Music
Computer Science	Nursing
Cooperative Nursing - Capital Health System	Plant Science
Cooperative Nursing - St. Francis	

AAS Programs

Accounting	Health Sciences
Accounting and Management	Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning
Advertising Design	Hotel, Restaurant & Institution Management
Architectural & Building Construction Tech	Illustration
Automotive Technology.	Information Technology: Network Engineering Technology
Aviation Customer Relations	Information Technology: Programming
Aviation Flight Technology	Information Technology: Programming and Networking
Banking	Information Tech: Website Development & Administration
Business Software Application	Laboratory Technology
Chef Apprentice	Legal Assistant
Civil Engineering Technology	Medical Laboratory Technology
Community Service Assistant	Microcomputer Systems Administration
Computer Graphics	Network Engineering Technology
Computer Systems/Networking Administrator	Office Systems Technology
e-Commerce	Ornamental Horticulture
Education/Special Education Assistant	Paralegal
Electronics Engineering Technology	Physical Therapy Assistant
Energy Utility Technology	Programming/Networking
Entertainment Technology	Radio
Fire Science Technology	Radiography
Funeral Service	Respiratory Therapy Cooperative
General Business	Television

Certificate Programs

Addictions Specialist	Information Technology: Networking Engineering
Alcohol and Drug Counselor	Information Technology: Project Management
Applied Photography	Information Technology: Webmaster
Architectural Technology	Legal Assistant
Aviation Flight Tech.–Certified Flight Instructor	Medical Office Assistant
Catering Management	Microcomputer Applications
Computer Aided Design	Network Engineering Technology
Computer Science	Office Systems Technology
Computer Systems/Networking Administration	Ornamental Horticulture
Database Administration	Paralegal
e-Commerce	Paraprofessional Classroom Educator
Electronics Engineering Technology	Professional Baking
Engineering Science (Transfer Cert.)	Professional Cooking
Fire Science	Programming
Funeral Service	Retail Management
Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning	Small Business Employment Readiness
Individualized Certificate	Small Business Management
Information Technology: Programming	Total Quality Management
Information Technology: Database Administration	Travel Agent