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MCCC CREDIT ENROLLMENT SURPASSES 4,700 FOR FIRST TIME

MONROE, Mich. – For the first time, Monroe County Community College has surpassed the 4,700 mark for credit enrollment.

The Fall Semester credit enrollment figure of 4,723 is up 99 students over last year’s record of 4,624, an increase of 2 percent.

“Michigan’s economy has crashed, and MCCC is one of the key first responders in our region and in the state,” said Dr. Nixon, MCCC president. “The students are coming to us for a hopeful future, so it is no surprise we have record enrollment.”

Dr. Nixon commended the MCCC faculty and staff who are serving all of those students.

“It’s the largest amount of students MCCC has seen in its 46-year history,” Nixon said.

In total, the college anticipates serving more than 9,000 students during the 2010-2011 academic year because about 4-5,000 additional students are expected to enroll in non-credit courses through the Corporate and Community Services Division. That division offers lifelong learning courses and business and industry training.

In 1993, the original all-time record for credit student enrollment was set at 4,057. That figure was eclipsed in 2004 when 4,177 students enrolled. MCCC has gained an average of 91 students every year since.

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Credit hours being taken this Fall Semester have also reached an all-time high. Students enrolled for 42,809 credit hours, an increase of 971 from last year. The amount of credit hours taken each Fall Semester has increased for 10 consecutive years.

Other Fall Semester enrollment highlights include:

- Female enrollment rose by 126 students
- Part-time enrollment has increased by 85 students
- Enrollment of non-traditional college age students – those who are age 21-50 – increased by 130.
- In-state but out-of-district enrollment jumped by 103 students.
- Out-of-state enrollment increased by 34. Less than 200 students are from out of state.
- Enrollment increased overall in the college’s two-year occupational programs, with the largest increase – 58 students – occurring in the health-related programs.

Fall Semester classes began on Aug. 26 and end Dec. 13.

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