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## MCCC STUDENTS CAN SAVE TIME AND MONEY TRANSFERRING TO WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY THROUGH NEW ENGINEERING DEGREE AGREEMENTS

Four new articulation agreements between Monroe County Community College and Wayne State University will allow MCCC students who follow a prescribed plan of study to transfer as many as 90 credits to WSU while pursuing a variety of bachelor's degree programs in the College of Engineering. The institutions announced the partnership April 26 during a virtual signing ceremony featuring leaders from both schools.

"This partnership represents a great opportunity for students to earn their degree in preparation for a variety of high-wage, high-demand career fields," said President Dr. Kojo Quartey. "By earning most of their credits at MCCC and seamlessly transferring to WSU to complete their bachelor's degree, students can save on their tuition costs and often save time earning their degree at one of Michigan's greatest higher learning institutions."

Effective this fall, MCCC students who receive an associate of applied science degree with the <u>Michigan</u> Transfer Agreement endorsement can transfer more than the currently stipulated 64 credits to the WSU

College of Engineering while pursuing a bachelor's degree in these specific programs:

- Mechanical engineering technology 90 credits
- Construction management 86 credits
- Welding and metallurgical engineering technology 85 credits
- Electrical/electronic engineering technology 82 credits

"We are delighted to partner with Monroe County Community College on these new agreements," says WSU Interim Provost Dr. Laurie Lauzon Clabo. "They provide an opportunity for students to complete a bachelor's degree from a research-intensive university in an efficient and affordable way. These agreements also benefit the state and local communities by providing a well-prepared workforce. Through these agreements, we are streamlining the transfer process, eliminating the duplication of coursework, and focusing on students' success."

"WSU's engineering programs are renowned and their graduates are highly recruited professionally," said Dr. Grace Yackee, vice president of instruction for MCCC. "We are very proud WSU opted to partner with MCCC to provide this opportunity to our students in the Applied Science and Engineering Technology programs."

All qualified MCCC transfer students are eligible for WSU <u>transfer merit scholarships</u> if they have not yet earned a bachelor's degree; have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25; and 30 transferrable credits. Scholarships range in value from \$2,000 to \$6,000 per year for up to two years. In addition to the transfer merit scholarships, Wayne State is proud to offer two new awards for students participating in the State of Michigan's Futures for Frontliners or Reconnect programs. These new awards can provide an additional \$4,000 over two years for qualified full-time students.

Dr. Ahmad Ezzeddine, associate vice president for educational outreach and international programs at Wayne State, says that the agreements are just one more way the university helps transfer students achieve their goals.

"Wayne State was recently named – for the fourth time – to the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society Transfer Honor Roll in recognition of the dynamic pathways we have created to support transfer students and help them succeed," Ezzeddine says. "Only 150 colleges and universities in the nation and two public universities in Michigan were named to the honor roll. We are committed to supporting transfer students as they pursue their goals. Transfer students are a significant and integral part of the WSU community and they represent more than 40 percent of each graduating class. We look forward to seeing more MCCC graduates in our ranks."

Prospective students can learn more about and apply to <u>Monroe County Community College</u> online. Contact the Admissions office at <u>admissions@monroeccc.edu</u> or by calling 734-384-4104.

Students who need help transferring to Wayne State can contact the Transfer Student Success Center at <u>transfer@wayne.edu</u>; set up a virtual advising appointment online at <u>tssc.youcanbook.me/</u> or visit <u>TSSC.wayne.edu</u> to live chat with advisers from 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. weekdays.

## **About Monroe County Community College**

Founded in 1964, Monroe County Community College is a public, two-year institution supported by tax monies from Monroe County, educational funds from the State of Michigan and student tuition. The college's mission is to enrich lives in our community by providing opportunity through student-focused, affordable, quality higher education and other learning experiences. The Main Campus is located at 1555 South Raisinville Road, Monroe, Mich., 48161, with easy access to Toledo and Detroit. The Whitman Center is located in Temperance, Mich., 48182, near the Ohio-Michigan Border. Detailed information about MCCC is available at www.monroeccc.edu.

## **About Wayne State University**

Wayne State University is a premier urban research institution in Detroit offering more than 350 academic programs through 13 schools and colleges to nearly 27,000 students. More information is available at wayne.edu.

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