

DIRECT TRANSFER SUMMIT 2025

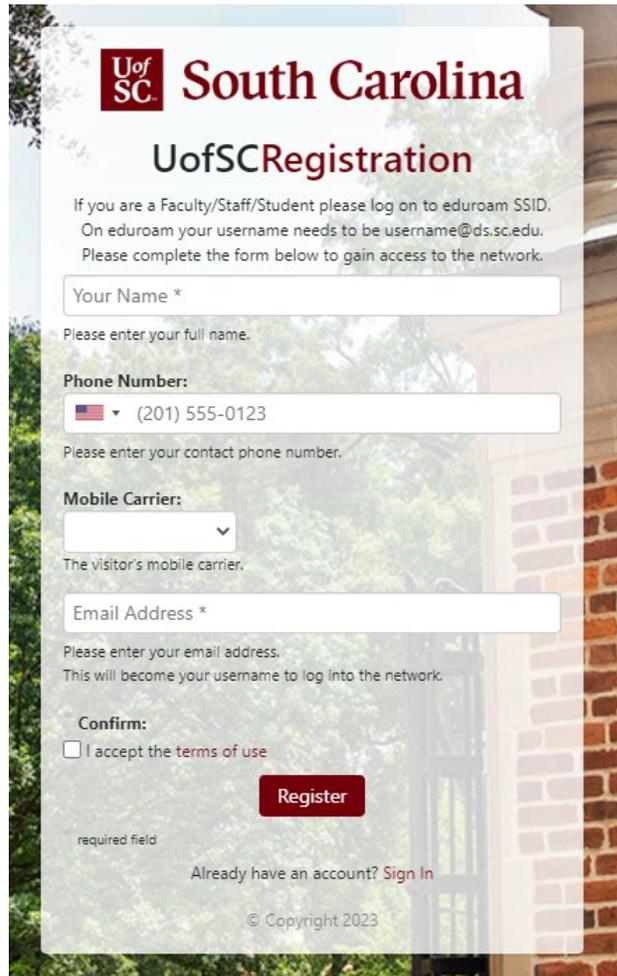


TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- 8:00 am- 8:30 am: Breakfast & Registration
- 8:30 am- 9:00 am: Welcome & Opening Remarks
- 9:00 am- 10:30 am: State of the Partnership
- 10:30 am – 10:40 am: Break & Transition
- 10:40 am- 12:20 pm: Breakouts & Working Groups
- 12:20 pm- 1:30 pm: Networking: Lunch, Discussions & Closing Remarks



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NETWORKING BREAKFAST

8:00AM-8:30AM



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WELCOME

Amanda Shores, Director of Transfer Student Advising, Academic Success,
& Retention (USC)

Gina Polizzi, Director of Academic and Career Advising (MTC)



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USC LEADERSHIP

Provost Donna Arnett



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MTC LEADERSHIP

President Greg Little

Provost Barrie Kirk



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STATE OF THE PARTNERSHIP

Building on Success: Data-Driven Insights and Pathways Forward



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DIRECT TRANSFER TRACKS

2021
12 Transfer Tracks
BIOL
BIOL
CHEM ENGR
CIVIL ENGR
COMP ENGR
EARLY EDUC
ELECT ENGR
ELEM EDUC
EXSC
MECH ENGR
MID EDUC
PUBH

2022
12 Transfer Tracks
BIOL
BIOL
CHEM ENGR
CIVIL ENGR
COMP ENGR
EARLY EDUC
ELECT ENGR
ELEM EDUC
EXSC
MECH ENGR
MID EDUC
PUBH

2023	
19 Transfer Tracks	
AESP ENGR	GEOG
BIOL	MECH ENGR
BIOL	MID EDUC
CHEM ENGR	PUBH
CIVIL ENGR	SOCY
COMP ENGR	SOCY
COMP SCI	
CRJU	
EARLY EDUC	
ELECT ENGR	
ELEM EDUC	
EXSC	
GEOG	

2024	
23 Transfer Tracks	
AESP ENGR	GEOG
BIOL	INFO SCI
BIOL	INTL STUD
CHEM ENGR	MASS COMM
CIVIL ENGR	MECH ENGR
COMP ENGR	MID EDUC
COMP SCI	POLI
CRJU	PUBH
EARLY EDUC	SOCY
ELECT ENGR	SOCY
ELEM EDUC	
EXSC	
GEOG	



TODAY'S FOCUS

- Reflect on what the data tells us
- Identify new opportunities for alignment and innovation
- Strengthen collaboration between faculty, staff, and leadership.



STRENGTHENING THE TRANSFER EXPERIENCE

Partnership Progress and Key Data Insights



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KEY FINDINGS

- 21% (56 students) transferred from a Direct Transfer major at MTC.
- 42% (112 students) declared a DT-aligned major at USC
- Of the 56 students from the DT majors, 89% (50 students) enrolled in the aligned USC bachelor's program.
- 24% of the general transfer population completed an associate degree prior to transfer.
- 46% of DT students completed their associate degree prior to transfer.

**Data reflects students admitted to USC for the Summer/Fall 2024 admissions cycle.*



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TOP MAJORS

- Midlands Technical College
 - Associate in Arts (113 students)
 - Biology (12 students)
 - Criminal Justice, Education and Engineering (6-9 students each)
- University of South Carolina
 - Psychology (26 students)
 - Criminal Justice (15 students)
 - Biology (15 students)
 - Hospitality/Retailing (14 and 11 students)



AREAS FOR CONTINUED FOCUS

- Continue to improve associate degree completion at MTC.
- Clarify and reduce credit loss (your work today)
- Track bachelor's degree completion, time to degree, and retention (deferred analysis)

When we align curriculum and advising, students don't just transfer, they progress!



COMING THIS FALL

USC Transfer Focus Event – September 2025

New Information Form



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MTC / USC Direct Transfer Advising Event

To sign up to attend this event, please scan this QR code and complete the brief appointment survey:



<http://bit.ly/4iUqcYq>

Who

All students enrolled in MTC to USC Direct Transfer Pathway majors are invited to participate.

What

Meet with a USC representative to get a personalized assessment of how you are progressing on your Direct Transfer track, and what you can do to get ready to make the move from Maverick to Gamecock!

When

- September 23 (BC)
- September 24 (AC)

Where

- Beltline: Center for Business and Information Technology, room 203
- Airport: Academic Center, room 115





DIRECT TRANSFER PATHWAYS TO USC

Student ID

Email

First Name

Birth Date

Last Name

Cell Number

Anticipated semester for transfer *

Anticipated semester of graduation from MTC *

What is your current major? *

Please select the Direct Pathway Major below that you are currently enrolled in or are changing your major to

*

Gina Polizzi

Signature

Date

Submit Form

PARTNERSHIP TESTIMONIES

Perspectives from the Field: Transfer in Action



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ADMISSIONS & ENROLLMENT

Midlands Technical College

Allyson Porter



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Admissions & Enrollment Updates and Processes

May 12, 2025



MIDLANDS
TECHNICAL COLLEGE

INSTITUTION OVERVIEW

MIDLANDS TECH MAVERICKS

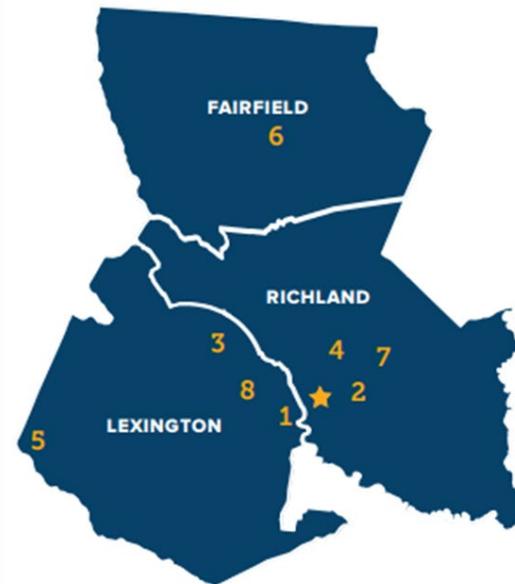
MTC MISSION STATEMENT

Midlands Technical College is a comprehensive, multi-campus, two-year public college serving the primary region of **Richland, Lexington** and **Fairfield counties** of South Carolina.

College programs and services provide **accessible, affordable, quality** education that prepares a diverse student population to succeed in the **job market**, to **transfer** to senior colleges and universities, and to achieve their **professional and personal goals**.

The college equitably provides higher education opportunities, strengthens businesses and **enhances the economic and social vitality of the community**.

MTC IN THE MIDLANDS



- 1 Airport Campus**
West Columbia
- 2 Beltline Campus**
Columbia
- 3 Harbison Campus**
Irmo
- 4 Northeast Campus**
Northeast Columbia
- 5 Batesburg-Leesville Campus**
Batesburg-Leesville
- 6 Fairfield Campus**
Winnsboro
- 7 Fort Jackson Center**
Fort Jackson
- 8 Lexington North Lake Center**
Lexington

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

{ 150+ }

degree, diploma, and
certificate programs offered
in 8 Schools of Study

- > The School of Advanced Manufacturing and Skilled Trades
- > The School of Business
- > The School of Education and Public Service
- > The School of English and Humanities
- > The School of Health Care
- > The School of Science, Information Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM)
- > The School of Social and Behavioral Sciences
- > The School of Interdisciplinary Studies

PROGRAM TYPES

- Diplomas
- Certificates (*Academic & Training*)
- Associate Degrees
 - Associate of Art (*transfer*)
 - Associate of Science (*transfer*)
 - Associate of Applied Science (*career*)

*includes both academic & training programs



SCHOOL OF
**Advanced Manufacturing
and Skilled Trades**

Automotive Technology
Commercial Driver's License
Commercial Graphics
Construction
Electrical and Electronics
Forklift Operator
HVAC/R
Industrial Mechanical Maintenance
Landscaping
Precision Machining
Mechatronics
Welding





SCHOOL OF
Business

Accounting

Business

Customer Service

Essential Skills for Success

Human Resources

Management

Marketing

Meeting and Event Planning

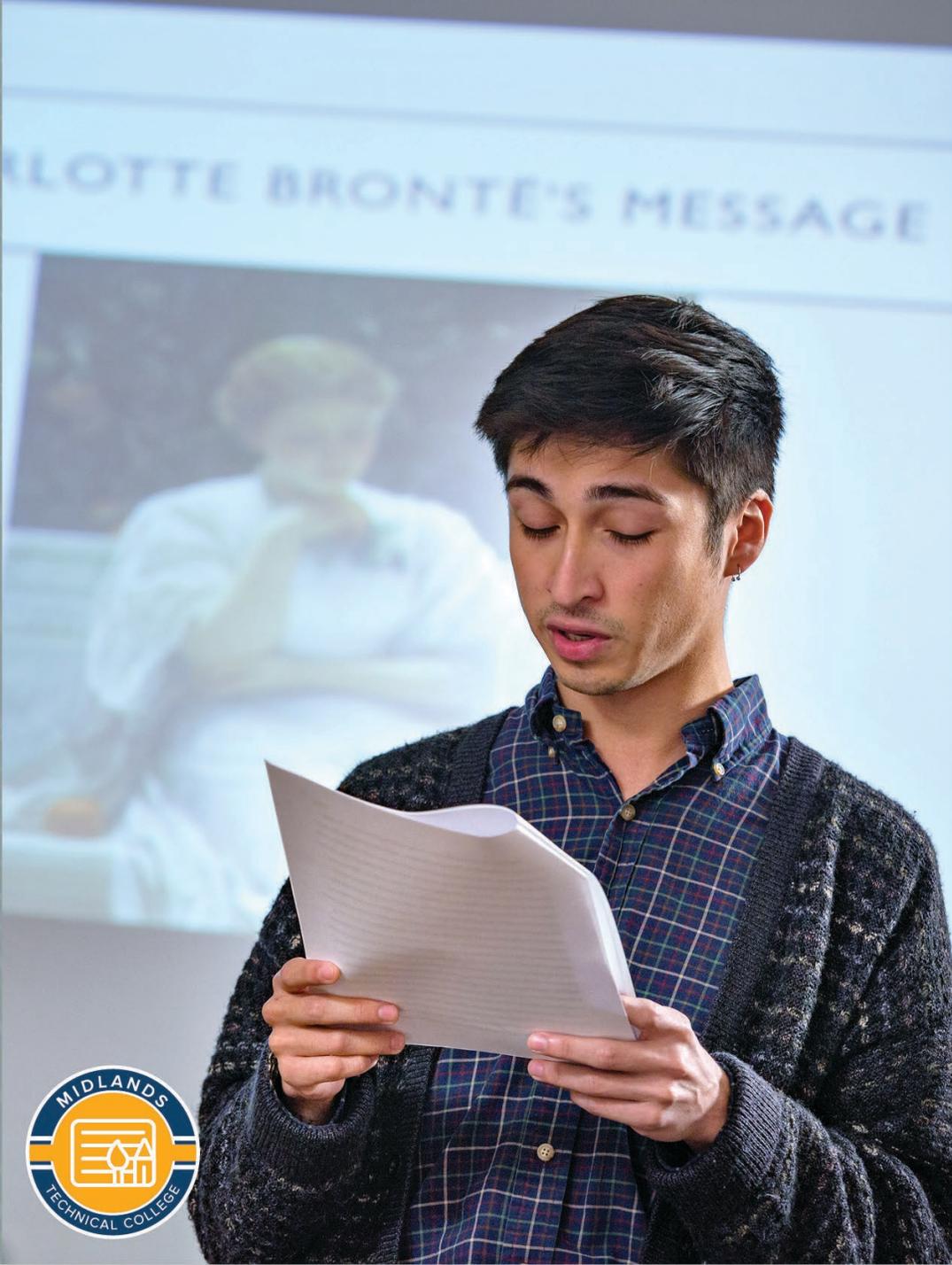
Office Skills



SCHOOL OF
Education and Public Service

Career Development
Criminal Justice
Education
Human Services
Paralegal Studies





SCHOOL OF
English and Humanities

Art Studio
Audio Engineering
English
History
Photography and Video





SCHOOL OF
Health Care

Clinical Therapeutic Programs

Dental

Direct Patient Care

Emergency Medicine

Imaging

Laboratory

Medical Office

Nursing

Pharmacy

Respiratory Care

Surgical Technology

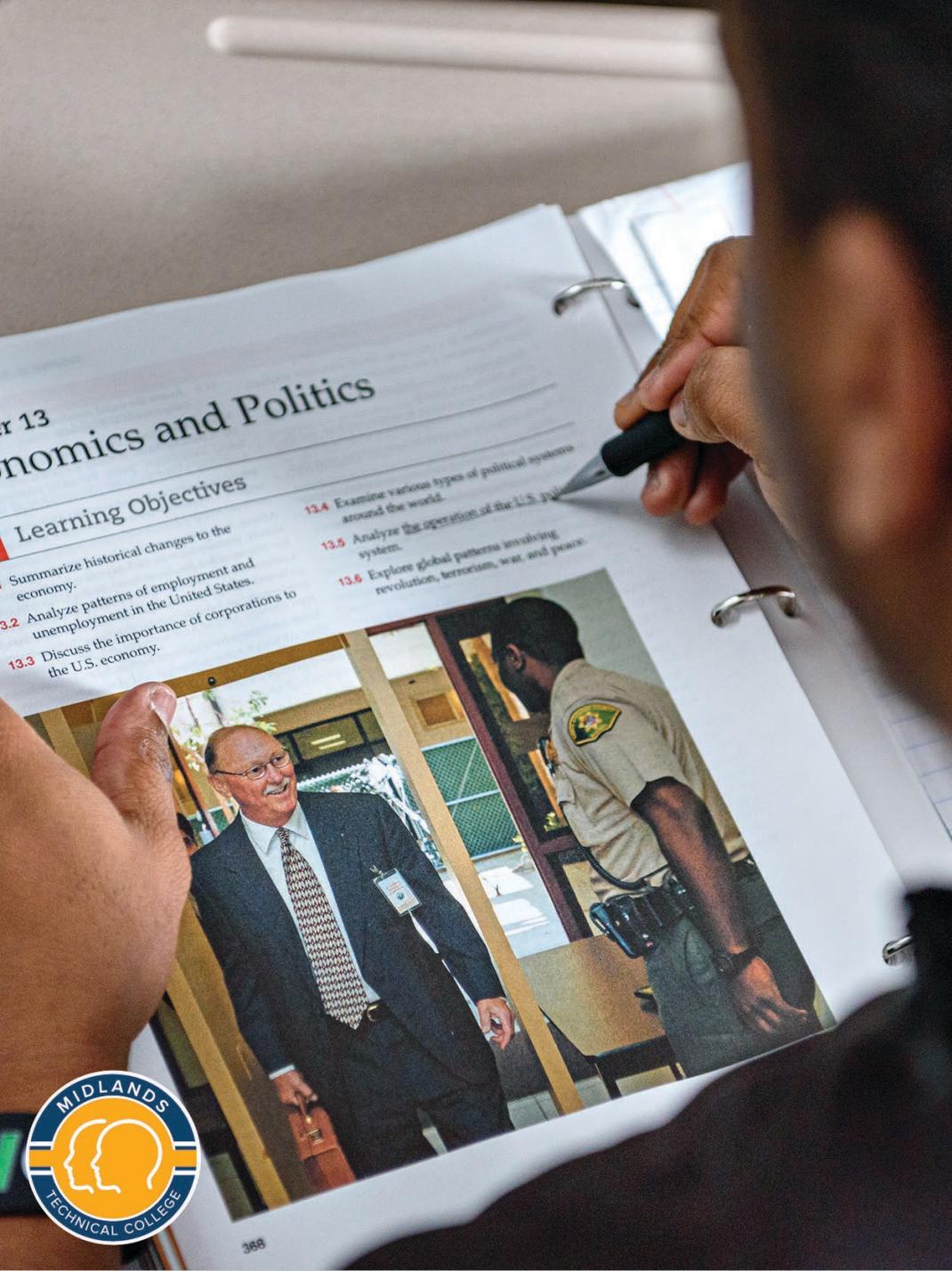
Veterinary Assisting



SCHOOL OF **STEM**

Architectural Engineering
Chemical Engineering
Civil Engineering
Computer Engineering
Electrical Engineering
Environmental Engineering
Information Technology (IT)
Math
Mechanical Engineering
Science

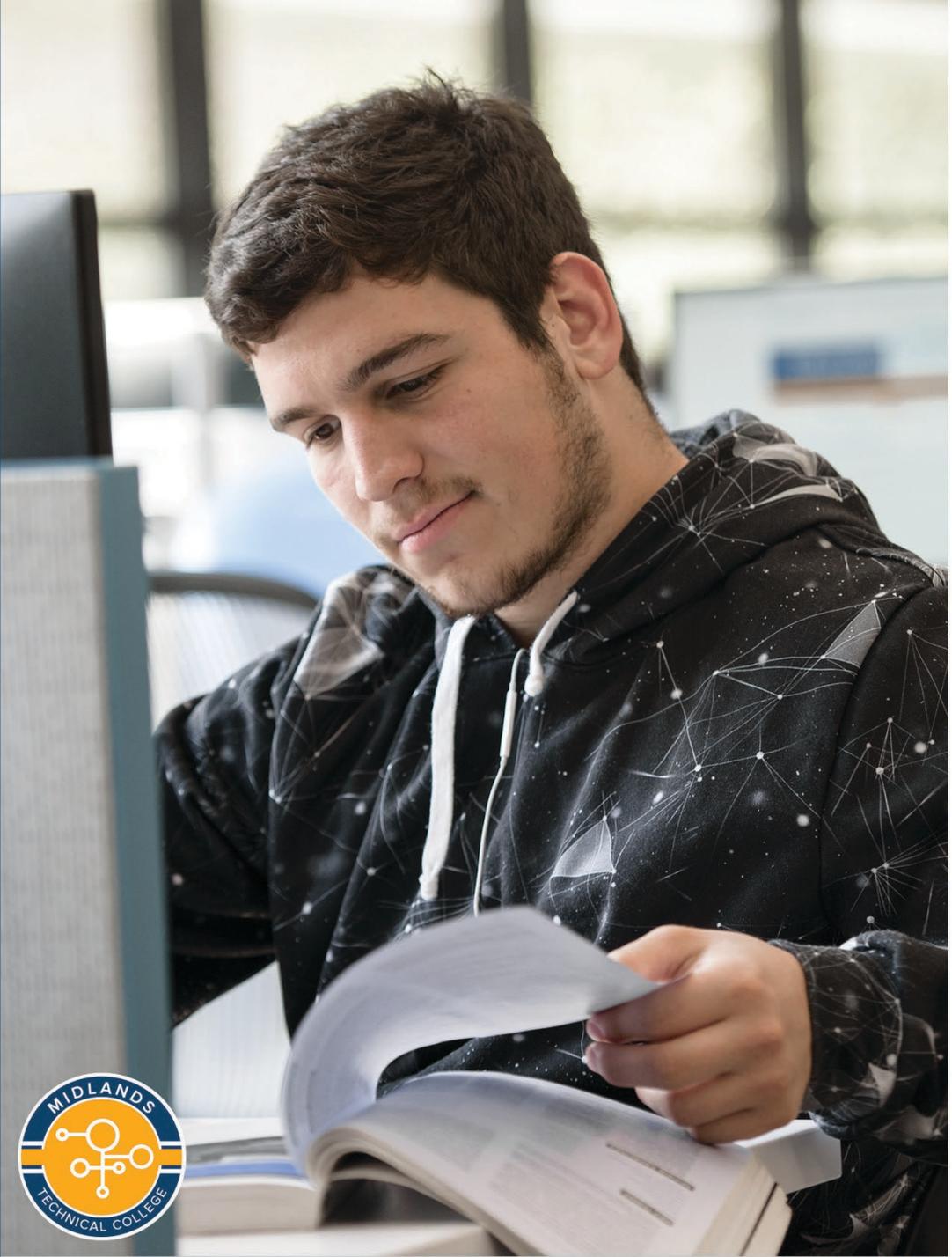




SCHOOL OF Social and Behavioral Sciences

Anthropology
Geography
Political Science
Psychology
Sociology





SCHOOL OF
Interdisciplinary Studies

**A Uniquely Customized
Educational Path**

Offers highly motivated students the opportunity to work with an academic advisor and faculty to customize an Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree program that integrates the knowledge and skills of multiple disciplines.



MIDLANDS TECH MAVERICKS

DEMOGRAPHICS



 MALE 36%

 FEMALE 64%

Average Age = 25



MTC is one of:

- > the largest providers of higher education in South Carolina.
- > the largest providers of transfer students to four-year colleges and universities in South Carolina.

STUDENT TYPES



Freshman | Transfer | Readmit | Transient | Dual Enrolled

Career Changers | Credential Stacking | Transfer | Personal Interest

ENROLLMENT OVERVIEW

ENROLLMENT ACCESS

- **OPEN ACCESS**

- *Open access institutions are colleges that are nonselective in their admission standards. Primarily two-year or community colleges provide open access to students. For many at-risk students, open access institutions are the only gateway for pursuing higher education.*

- **ROLLING ADMISSIONS**

- **NO APPLICATION DEADLINES**



ADMISSION PROCESS



3 STEPS TO ENROLL AT MTC



STEP

1 APPLY AND COMPLETE THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

- **Apply Online:** Submit an **application** at MIDLANDSTECH.EDU/admissions, or you may request a paper one.
- **Submit Records:** Submit any of the following that apply to you:
 - Official high school transcript (showing graduation and final GPA)*
 - GED record*
 - Official transcripts from all colleges attended*
 - Any SAT® or ACT® scores less than three years old.**Contact your previously attended educational institutions for information on ordering transcripts/records.*
- **Take a Placement Test, If Needed:** Some students will need to take the college's **placement test**. Other students **may qualify** to **exempt** all or part of the test. Examples of exemption criteria include qualifying SAT®/ACT® scores or high school GPA (for recent high school graduates), qualifying previous college credit, and/or certain advanced standing exams. After you apply to MTC, the Admissions Office will let you know what, if any, placement tests you need to take.

QUESTIONS | 803.822.6714

STEP

2 APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID

Submit a **FAFSA** at studentaid.gov. The MTC school code is **003993**. This is the first step to be considered for most types of financial aid. For help completing the FAFSA, contact the Educational Opportunity Center at **803.822.3749**.

STEP

3 COMPLETE YOUR REGISTRATION

In-Person New Student Program **Orientation** is mandatory for all new and transfer students. Your in-person program orientation includes academic **advising** and assistance with **registration**. You can book your orientation session online through your MyMTC account. **QUESTIONS | 803.822.6755**

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to MTC: based on demonstration of required reading comprehension skills

Applicants must provide one of the following:

College Level English

SAT or ACT Scores (within last 3 years)

GED Scores (within last 3 years)

High School GPA (within last 3 years)

MTC Placement Testing (within last 3 years)



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

College Level English



From
MTC

- English 100 and/or RDG 100 or higher with a “D” or better

From
another
college

- English 101 or higher with a “C” or better
- Conferred degree (associates, bachelors, etc.)

*college must be regionally accredited

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Standardized Test Scores



ACT

- Composite Score of **19**

SAT

- EBRW Score: **470**

GED

- RLA Score: **165**

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

High School Transcript



SC Uniform Grading Scale (weighted) GPA: 2.25



NOTE: Admissions converts any unweighted, non-SC Uniform Grading Scale GPA

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Placement Test



Next Gen Accuplacer

- Reading: 210

COURSE PLACEMENT

What exactly are Multiple Measures?

Multiple ways (measures) students may qualify to exempt the MTC placement test and be placed into curriculum level English and Math courses:

- SAT Scores
- ACT Scores
- GED Scores
- High School GPA
- High School 4th Level Math
- College Courses



COURSE PLACEMENT

Standardized Tests

SAT® Scores for Course Placement

EBRW – 480+	ENG 101 or 160 (use program requirement)
Math – 530+	MAT 110 or 122 (use program requirement)
<i>SAT® cannot be used to place students above MAT 110 or 122. Next Generation ACCUPLACER® must be taken to place into a higher math course.</i>	

ACT® Scores for Course Placement

English – 18+ AND Reading – 22+	ENG 101 or 160 (use program requirement)
Math – 22+	MAT 110 or 122 (use program requirement)
<i>ACT® cannot be used to place students above MAT 110 or 122. Next Generation ACCUPLACER® must be taken to place into a higher math course.</i>	

GED® Scores for Course Placement

Reasoning Through Language Arts – 165+	ENG 101 or 160 (use program requirement)
Mathematical Reasoning – 165+	MAT 110 or 122 (use program requirement)
<i>GED® cannot be used to place students above MAT 110 or 122. Next Generation ACCUPLACER® must be taken to place into a higher math course.</i>	

COURSE PLACEMENT

High School Transcript

High School Grade Point Average for Course Placement

In "Test Scores" under "Other Tests"

English Placement

HS.GPA 3.0+	ENG 101 or 160 (use program requirement)
HS.GPA 2.75 – 2.99	ENG 101 + Studio (ENG 010)* ENG 160 + Studio (ENG 011)* No DVS RDG course required
HS.GPA 2.25 – 2.74	ENG 100 and RDG 100

Math Placement

HS.GPA 3.0+ HS.4MATH* with 85+ *Fourth-Level Math Class	MAT 110 or 122 (use program requirement)
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*"HS.GPA" is based on the S.C. Uniform Grading Scale or equivalent.
High School Grade Point Average cannot be used to place students above MAT 110 or 122.
Next Generation ACCUPLACER® must be taken to place into a higher math course.*

4th level math courses are outlined by the SC Commission of Higher Education. They include: Algebra III, pre-calculus, calculus, probability and statistics, and discrete mathematics. It does not matter when the student takes the 4th math course or the sequence in which they are taken to be credited towards Multiple Measures (example: students could potentially take probability and statistics before they complete Alg II but it would still count as the 4th level math).

COURSE PLACEMENT

Accuplacer Placement Test

NEXT GENERATON ACCUPLACER®™ READING PLACEMENT INFORMATION

You will be placed in reading courses based on your reading test scores.

NEXT GENERATION ACCUPLACER®	READING COURSE PLACEMENT
210-236	RDG 100
237+	No DVS RDG course required

NEXT GENERATION ACCUPLACER®™ ENGLISH PLACEMENT INFORMATION

You will be placed in English courses based on your reading scores.

IF YOUR READING SCORE IS	YOU WILL ENROLL IN
210-236	ENG 100
237-249	ENG 101 + Studio (ENG 010) ENG 160 + Studio (ENG 011)*
250+	ENG 101 or ENG 160*

*Use program requirement.

COURSE PLACEMENT

Accuplacer Placement Test

NEXT GENERATION ACCUPLACER[®]™ MATH PLACEMENT INFORMATION

IF YOUR READING SCORE IS AND	IF YOUR ARITHMETIC SCORE (ARITH) IS	IF YOUR QUANTITATIVE REASONING, ALGEBRA AND STATISTICS (QAS) IS	IF YOUR ADVANCED ALGEBRA AND FUNCTIONS SCORE (AAF) IS	YOU WILL ENROLL IN
210-227	200-249	→	→	MAT 032
228-249	250+	200-221	→	MAT 152, MAT 155 or MAT 170*
250+	250+	222-236	→	MAT 152
N/A	250+	237-249	→	MAT 101
N/A	250+	250+	200-229	MAT 102 or MAT 120*
N/A	250+	250+	230-244	MAT 110 & MAT 114**
N/A	250+	250+	245-262	MAT 110, MAT 122, PHI 105, PHI106*
N/A	250+	250+	263-275	MAT 111, MAT 130*
N/A	250+	250+	276+	MAT 140

*Use program requirement.

Students who place into MAT 102 should consult with their advisor regarding whether MAT 102 is a critical prerequisite for course in their overall degree plan.

**MAT 114 Co-Rec will be offered beginning [Spring 2023](#)

PROMOTING TRANSFER PATHWAYS

MIDLANDS TECH MAVERICKS

MTC Recruiting & Community Outreach

- Admissions Presentations
- Admissions Counseling
- High School Visits
- College Application Days
- CACRAO Ed Op
- School Counselor Breakfast
- College and Career Fairs
- On-Campus Events
- Adult Education Center Visits
- Career Development Workshops
- Participation in Local Community Events
- Fort Jackson Information Sessions
- Business fairs and Career Hiring events
- Referrals from CCE Business Solutions representatives



ENROLLED STUDENTS

ACADEMIC AND CAREER ADVISING



Identified students in applicable MTC programs are provided the [Midlands Tech to South Carolina Direct Transfer Track](#) link in semesters 3 and 4 to help them begin transfer communications into the Direct Pathway major at Carolina.

Questions?

Thank You

ADMISSIONS & ENROLLMENT

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Alison Scheide, Senior Assistant Director for Transfer Recruitment



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DATA ON FALL 2024 MTC STUDENTS

- 201 students enrolled at USC from MTC
 - Does not include Gamecock Gateway students
- Approximately 20% of our Fall 2024 transfer students came from Midlands Tech



DATA ON FALL 2024 TRANSFER STUDENTS

- Top Transfer Technical Colleges
 - Midlands Technical College
 - Trident Technical College
 - Greenville Technical College
 - York Technical College
 - Horry-Georgetown Technical College
 - Central Carolina Technical College



DATA ON FALL 2024 TRANSFER STUDENTS

- Top MTC Majors
 - Psychology
 - Biological Sciences
 - Computer Science
 - Criminology and Criminal Justice
 - Mechanical Engineering
 - Retailing
 - Media Arts
 - Electrical Engineering
 - Political Science
 - Elementary Education



NEW MAJORS AT USC

- Sports Media- College of Information and Communications
 - GPA requirement: 2.5
- Applied Sports Psychology and Counseling- College of Education
 - GPA requirement: 2.25
- Industrial Engineering- Molinaroli College of Engineering and Computing
 - GPA requirement: 2.75



GPA REQUIREMENT CHANGES

- Nursing now requires a 3.5 GPA. Students still must have no grades below a C in any science or nursing courses



ADMISSIONS PROCESS

- Application
 - What we ask for: unofficial transcripts
 - What we don't ask for: test scores, resumes, letters of recommendation, personal statements/essays
- Deadlines
 - Summer: May 1
 - Fall: July 1
 - Spring: November 1



ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS



- Major-dependent GPA requirements and prerequisites (QR code)
 - Sc.edu/admissions/transfer
 - Ranges from 2.25-3.4
- Associates degree is not required
- Unless specified, no prerequisite courses or prior knowledge required
 - Calculus requirement for Math, Data Science, Data Analytics, Statistics, Economics, and Business
 - Effective for Fall 2025 applications: Engineering no longer requires Calculus for admission
- Clarification of Guaranteed Admissions phrase
 - Enrollment at schools other than MTC
 - Retaking courses



DARLA MOORE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

- It is possible to be admitted into the Moore School as a transfer
 - Fall 2024: MTC had 14 of our 68 admits to the Moore School, more than any other college
- What to tell students
 - Admission to Business is competitive. Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.



ADMISSIONS PROCESS

- Timeline
 - Applications reviewed in the order they are received
 - Rolling admission with a few exceptions
- After Acceptance
 - Send official transcript
 - Attend Early Advising and/or New Student Orientation



TRANSFER STUDENT RECRUITMENT

- 1-1 Meetings via Zoom
- Ideas for Future Partnerships
 - Joint events with academic departments
 - Fall 2025 Direct Transfer fairs
 - September 23 and 24, 2025
 - Classroom presentations
 - COL 101 or major-specific gateway courses
 - Advisor and Admissions meeting/training



THANKS!

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Access, and Community Engagement

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Claire Robinson



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BREAKOUT ROOM ASSIGNMENTS

- Close Hipp Classroom 303: Biology & Public Health
- Close Hipp Classroom 337: Education
- Close Hipp Classroom 335: Engineering
- UAC Conference Room 352: Criminal Justice & Political Science
- Close Hipp Classroom 351: Sociology & Psychology
- Close Hipp Classroom 350: Computer Tech Applications, Writing, Info Science, and Mass Comm
- Eastview, Conference Center: Business & Retailing
- Eastview, Conference Center: Human Services & Social Work
- UAC Conference Room 304: Admissions Representatives



NETWORKING LUNCH

Summit Discussions



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TRANSITION TO LUMPKIN AUDITORIUM



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ONE SMALL STEP

Amanda Shores, Director of Transfer Student Advising, Academic Success, & Retention (USC)

Donna Zeek, Director of Curriculum and Dean of the School of Interdisciplinary Studies (MTC)



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EVENT REFLECTION

Katie Elledge, Associate Director of Academic and Career Advising,
Midlands Technical College



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GIVE AWAY

Bill Brown, Coordinator of Direct Transfer Tracks and Transfer Advising (USC)

Mal Reeder, Transfer and Articulation Coordinator (MTC)



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CLOSING REMARKS

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