

Message from the President



At Prince George's Community College, you will receive a high quality education in an intellectually vibrant, nurturing and enriching environment. We offer more than 60 programs of study in a wide range of traditional and recently developed disciplines. Whether you are seeking to further your academic or professional career, you already have realized that education is essential to your progress. Making the decision to enroll is the first step in reaching your goals. We provide you with the opportunities to succeed.

For students intending to transfer to a four-year institution, Prince George's Community College offers articulation agreements that can ensure seamless transfer, mentoring and help with financial aid for continued study. Students in our Honors Program and Honors Academy maintain a high standard of academic excellence, and their numbers are growing. Membership in the Honors Program increased by 62 percent from 2002 to 2003. The number of honors students who graduated from the college increased by 82 percent in the same period. Our Honors Academy provides eligible students with full scholarships and dual enrollment at select four-year institutions.

Many of our students enjoy the benefits of belonging to one of our five Collegian Centers. The Collegian Centers provide students with more personalized assistance in individual disciplines and create more opportunities for students to interact with faculty and their peers. Through Collegian Centers, students can receive mentoring and advising and undertake discipline-specific activities such as internships and research. Collegian Center members also participate in activities sponsored by the Honors Program.

Prince George's Community College is a leader in preparing students for careers in essential service areas such as teaching, health care and law enforcement. A new partnership with the University of Maryland University College (UMUC), Anne Arundel Community College and the College of Southern Maryland has led to the creation of a new "2+2+1" agreement. The agreement enables students to earn their Associate of Arts degree in secondary education in two years. They can go on to earn a Bachelor of Arts or Science in English, history or social sciences in another two years, and finally, a customized, accelerated Master of Arts in teaching to qualify for teacher certification in the fifth year.

Through our main campus in Largo and our degree-granting additional locations at Hyattsville, Laurel and Andrews Air Force Base, we are making efforts to be accessible to all Prince George's County residents. This year we doubled the size of the University Town Center, our Hyattsville site, incorporating state-of-the-art technology, such as new biology and health labs and instructor workstations. The additional instructional rooms will also include a room for corporate training, primarily for use by the college's Center for Business and Industry Training. Prince George's Community College delivers customized contract training to several businesses a year.

I invite you to visit the college. Begin your undergraduate degree here, learn a new skill, train for a different career or attend a campus event. Whatever your goals may be, we are looking forward to helping you meet them at Prince George's Community College.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronald A. Williams". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Ronald A. Williams
President

Prince George's Community College: A Learning-centered College

As a learning-centered college, Prince George's Community College emphasizes the acquisition and use of knowledge that benefits the learner, who, in turn, can benefit society.

The college has an open-admission policy so that all people have equal access to excellent, convenient and affordable learning opportunities. The college's mission statement focuses it as a learning-centered college. The college's vision statement provides direction.

Mission

Prince George's Community College, an accessible, community-based, culturally diverse college, meets the educational, employment and enrichment needs of the community it serves through high quality programs for university transfer, general education, workforce development, cultural enhancement and continuing education.

Vision

Prince George's Community College will excel as a nationally recognized, intellectually vibrant institution which is accessible, community-centered, technologically advanced, and responsive to the educational needs of a richly diverse population and workforce.

Learning Partnership

Individuals admitted to the college and enrolled in courses become students who enter into a learning partnership with the college. The college commits to providing learning opportunities for its students and its students commit to taking advantage of them.