Education Will Pay You Back—For a Lifetime

- Students enjoy an attractive 19% rate of return on their MCC educational investment, and recover all costs (including wages given up while attending classes instead of working) in only 7 years.
- Over the course of his or her working career, the average MCC student’s lifetime earnings will increase $5,200 for every dollar invested in their MCC education (in the form of tuition, fees, and foregone earnings).
- Students see their annual income increase, on average, by $123 per year for every credit completed at MCC.
- The average annual income of the typical Associate Degree graduate from MCC at the midpoint of his or her career is $45,200, 37% more than someone with a high school diploma.
- Over the course of a working lifetime, Associate Degree graduates from MCC earn $430,500 more than someone with a high school diploma.

Education Is Your Ticket to a Better Job

- By 2019 it is anticipated that there will be about 199,400 new and replacement jobs available in the MCC Service Area economy.
- About 27% of these jobs will require an education level equal to an associate’s degree or greater.
- Another 5% of available jobs in 2019 will require some kind of post-secondary certificate or vocational award.

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