

# DIRECT TRANSFER SUMMIT 2025

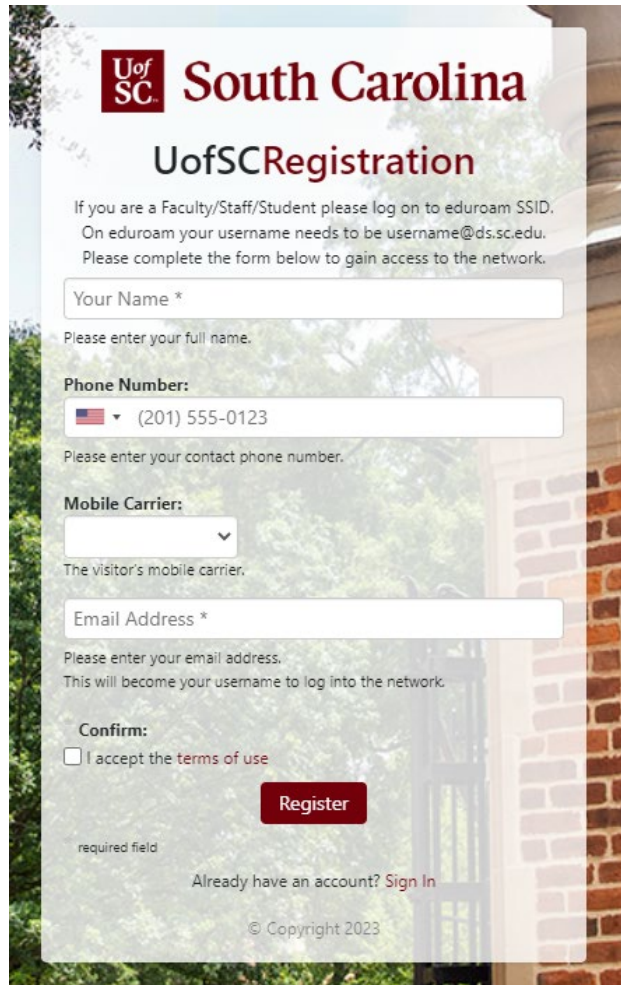


# TODAY'S SCHEDULE

- 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



# USC GUEST WIFI



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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	2022	2023	2024
12 Transfer Tracks	12 Transfer Tracks	19 Transfer Tracks	23 Transfer Tracks
BIOL	BIOL	AESP ENGR	AESP ENGR
BIOL	BIOL	BIOL	BIOL
CHEM ENGR	CHEM ENGR	BIOL	BIOL
CIVIL ENGR	CIVIL ENGR	CHEM ENGR	CHEM ENGR
COMP ENGR	COMP ENGR	CIVIL ENGR	CIVIL ENGR
EARLY EDUC	EARLY EDUC	COMP ENGR	COMP ENGR
ELECT ENGR	ELECT ENGR	COMP SCI	COMP SCI
ELEM EDUC	ELEM EDUC	CRJU	CRJU
EXSC	EXSC	EARLY EDUC	EARLY EDUC
MECH ENGR	MECH ENGR	ELECT ENGR	ELECT ENGR
MID EDUC	MID EDUC	ELEM EDUC	ELEM EDUC
PUBH	PUBH	EXSC	EXSC
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		GEOG	GEOG
		MECH ENGR	MECH ENGR
		MID EDUC	MID EDUC
		PUBH	PUBH
		SOCY	SOCY
		SOCY	SOCY
			INFO SCI
			INTL STUD
			MASS COMM
			POLI



# 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	<input type="text"/>	First Name	<input type="text"/>	Last Name	<input type="text"/>
Email	<input type="text"/>	Birth Date	<input type="text"/>	Cell Number	<input type="text"/>

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

\*  ...3330393937  
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**

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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**

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Accounting  
Business  
Customer Service  
Essential Skills for Success  
Human Resources  
Management  
Marketing  
Meeting and Event Planning  
Office Skills







# SCHOOL OF Education and Public Service

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Career Development  
Criminal Justice  
Education  
Human Services  
Paralegal Studies





SCHOOL OF  
**English and Humanities**

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Art Studio

Audio Engineering

English

History

Photography and Video





# SCHOOL OF **Health Care**

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Clinical Therapeutic Programs

Dental

Direct Patient Care

Emergency Medicine

Imaging

Laboratory

Medical Office

Nursing

Pharmacy

Respiratory Care

Surgical Technology

Veterinary Assisting





## SCHOOL OF **STEM**

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

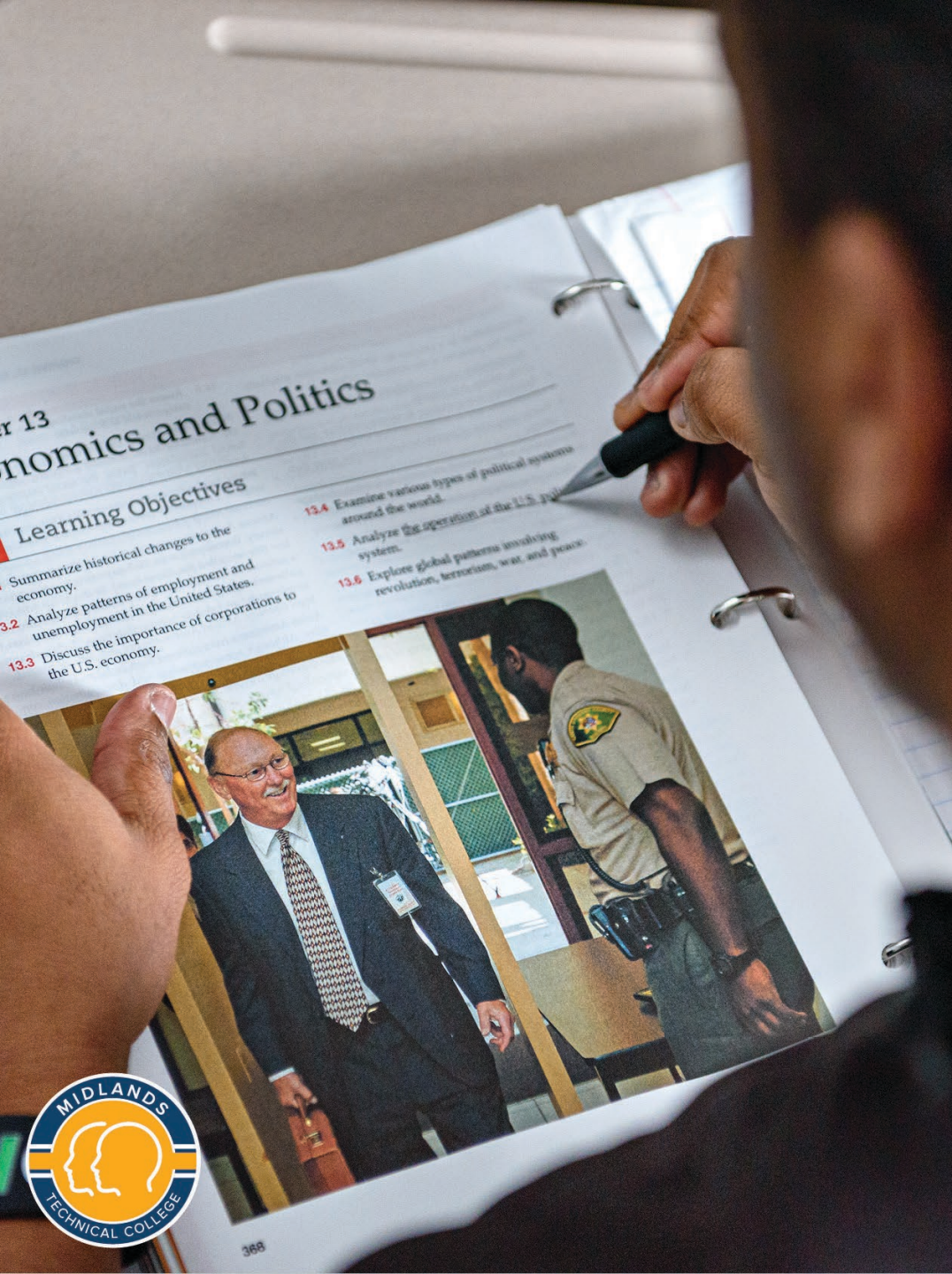




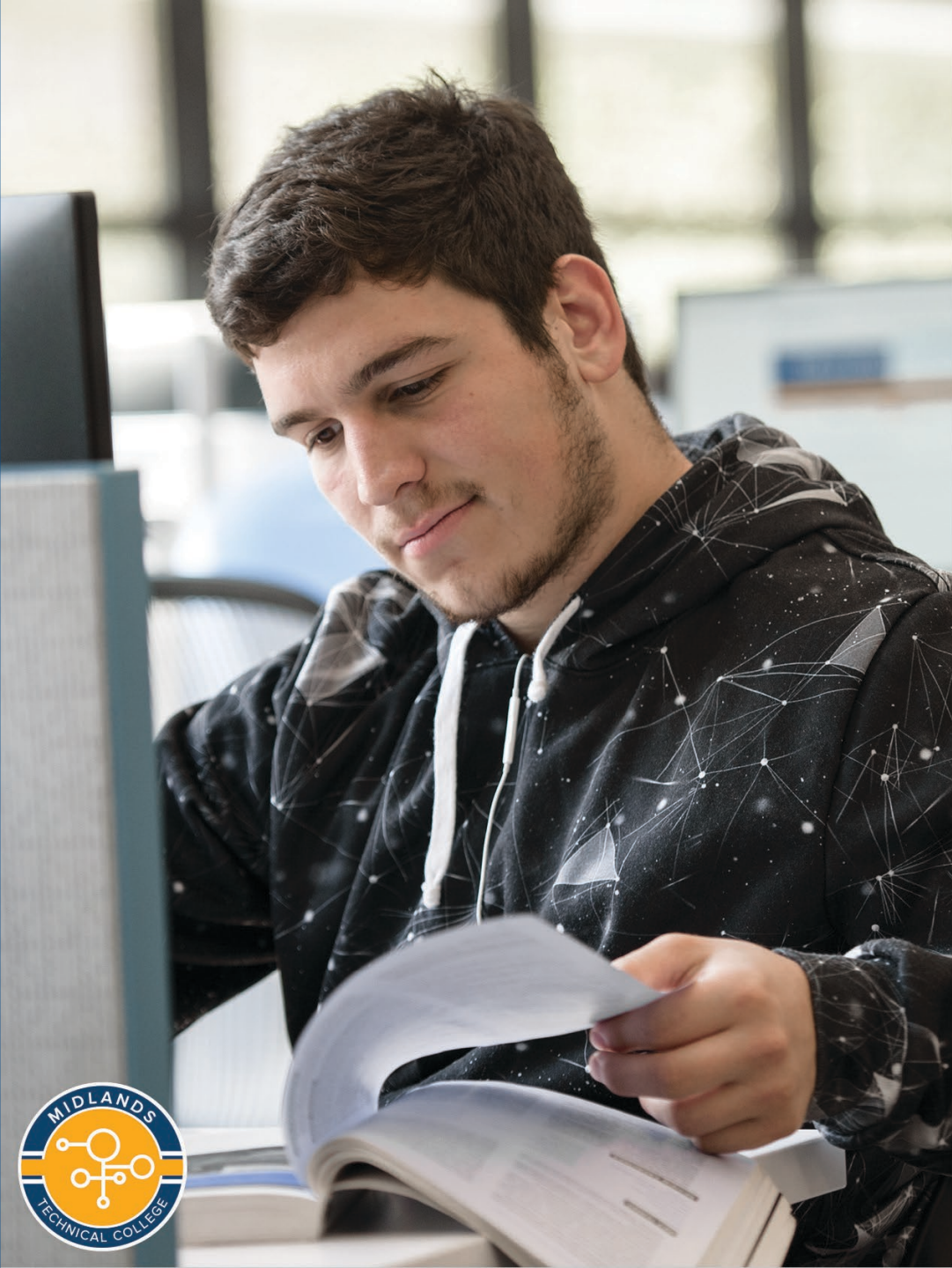
# SCHOOL OF Social and Behavioral Sciences

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Anthropology  
Geography  
Political Science  
Psychology  
Sociology







# SCHOOL OF **Interdisciplinary Studies**

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## 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

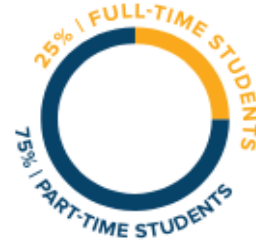
## DEMOGRAPHICS



 **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](https://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](https://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:

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College Level English

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SAT or ACT Scores (within last 3 years)

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GED Scores (within last 3 years)

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High School GPA (within last 3 years)

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MTC Placement Testing (within last 3 years)

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# 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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)

*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.*

### 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)

*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.*

### 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)

*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.*

# 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)
<p><i>"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.</i></p> <p><i>4<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> level math).</i></p>	

# 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<sup>®</sup>™ 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**

University of South Carolina

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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Title: Senior Associate Director for Recruitment,  
Access, and Community Engagement

Email: [mw88@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:mw88@mailbox.sc.edu)



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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

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

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