

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

The Civic Engagement and Community Leadership Track at Mount Wachusett Community College provides students with the opportunity to earn an Associate Degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences. Upon completion of the program, students are prepared to transfer to a four-year institution to complete a baccalaureate degree. The Civic Engagement and Community Leadership Track offers a student the opportunity to explore their social responsibility while completing a core curriculum used for transfer. Students will gain knowledge in a variety of disciplines including math, science, the humanities and the social sciences.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP TRACK (LACE)

A DEGREE IN LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

Both civic knowledge and civic engagement are necessary to democracy. The Civic Engagement and Community Leadership track embodies this relationship; the material learned within a broad liberal arts and sciences curriculum is applied to current social, political, and economic issues. Students acquire the skills, wisdom, and knowledge needed to make a difference in the civic life of their communities and the world. In addition, this program meets the requirements for the MassTransfer block agreement, which makes it a good fit for students planning to transfer to a four-year college. The subject matter of this concentration is relevant to most four-year degree programs, including economics, regional planning, business, philosophy, environmental science, history, political science, or government.

Year 1		Credits
Fall		
ENG 101	College Writing I	3
PHL 250	Moral Philosophy	3
SSC 120	Perspectives On Leadership	3
MAT 143	Statistics	3
General Elective I ¹		3
Spring		
ENG 102	College Writing II	3
LAW 101	Introduction To Law	3
SPC 113	Speech	3
PHL 210	Levels Of Being	3
Science Elective ²		3-4
Year 2		
Fall		
ECO 101	Macroeconomics	3
HIS 121	History Of The Constitution	3
Lab Science Elective ³		4
Behavioral Social Science Elective ⁴		3
Literature Elective I ⁵		3
Spring		
PHL 110	Logic	3
BUS 105	Business Ethics	3
ENG 290	Advanced Writing and Research	3
Literature Elective II ⁵		3
General Elective II ¹		3
Total Credits:		61-62

¹ General Electives: See General Electives (<http://catalog.mwcc.edu/electivecoursesbyabbreviation/>) Exceptions

² Science Electives: See Elective Courses by Abbreviation (<http://catalog.mwcc.edu/electivecoursesbyabbreviation/>).

³ Lab Science Electives: See Elective Courses by Abbreviation (<http://catalog.mwcc.edu/electivecoursesbyabbreviation/>).

⁴ Behavioral Social Sciences Electives: See Elective Courses by Abbreviation (<http://catalog.mwcc.edu/electivecoursesbyabbreviation/>).

⁵ Literature Electives: See Elective Courses by Abbreviation (<http://catalog.mwcc.edu/electivecoursesbyabbreviation/>).

See Civic Engagement and Community Leadership program student learning outcomes and technical standards

Transfer Options

For transfer options, please click here (<http://catalog.mwcc.edu/academicresources/#transferinformationtext>). It is recommended that you also consult with your academic advisor.

MASSTRANSFER

Students who plan to transfer to a Massachusetts state university or a University of Massachusetts campus may be eligible to transfer under the MassTransfer agreement, which provides transfer advantages to those who qualify.

Please click here for MassTransfer information (<http://www.mass.edu/masstransfer/>).

Special Requirements

Technical standards must be met with or without accommodations.

PROGRAM STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES FOR LACE

Upon graduation from this program, students shall have the ability to:

- Formulate clear and precise questions about complex problems and ideas relevant to a variety of disciplines—math, science, the humanities, and the social sciences—and gather, assess, and interpret information to arrive at well-reasoned conclusions and solutions.
- Demonstrate an understanding of complex written texts that demand an appreciation of subtext, irony, metaphor, and the subtlety and nuances of language.
- Successfully complete a substantial research paper that demonstrates the ability to formulate a research question, conduct research using the library's databases, and synthesize information from a variety of sources into a cohesive and in-depth analysis of a topic.
- Demonstrate knowledge of historic, social, and cultural backgrounds necessary for understanding their own and other societies with an emphasis on important ideas and events that have shaped, and continue to shape, their world.
- Demonstrate scientific literacy, which can be defined as the matrix of knowledge needed to understand enough about the universe to deal with issues that come across the horizon of the average citizen, in the news or elsewhere.
- Demonstrate a broad exposure to, and an understanding of, the differences and similarities in the various academic disciplines within their Liberal Arts education.
- Successfully transfer to a baccalaureate degree granting institution if desired, with the proper educational foundation for transition into a chosen field of study.

CAPSTONE COURSE FOR LACE

ENG 290 Advanced Writing and Research is the required capstone course for some Liberal Arts & Sciences majors and is to be taken after successfully completing ENG 101 College Writing I, ENG 102 College Writing II and at least 45 college-level credits.

TECHNICAL STANDARDS¹ FOR LACE

¹ For general information about technical standards and accommodation, see Technical Standards. (<http://catalog.mwcc.edu/academicresources/academicandgradingpolicies/technicalstandards/>)

Students entering these programs must be able to demonstrate the ability to:

- Comprehend textbook material at the 11th grade level.
- Communicate and assimilate information either in spoken, printed, signed, or computer voice format.
- Gather, analyze, and draw conclusions from data.
- Work as a member of a team.