MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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Mount Wachusett Community College is a unique college in the heart of North Central Massachusetts, recognized nationally for its innovation. Our small class sizes and deeply engaged faculty and staff create a warm atmosphere that you will find helpful as you navigate college life.

We are here to support you as you figure out how to pay for college, how to develop a class schedule that permits a healthy work-life balance, and how to meet the challenge of a demanding college curriculum.

MWCC programs are designed to help you achieve your goals, whether you are a recent high school graduate, an experienced adult returning to school, a military veteran, or even a current high school student who wants to get a head-start on college.

You’ll have the opportunity to shine in our 70+ degree and certificate programs and more than 30 student clubs and organizations. You’ll also have the chance to make a difference in your community through the service learning, volunteer, internship, and co-op programs offered by our Brewer Center for Civic Learning and Community Engagement. Our students contribute more than 121,000 hours of service to our surrounding communities. These opportunities make North Central Massachusetts a better place to work and live and also provide great resume building opportunities for our students.

Our Gardner campus is 100 percent sustainably powered by twin wind turbines, biomass heating, solar panels, and the lively participation of the more than 2,000 students who learn here on days, nights, and weekends. Our online courses and satellite campuses in Leominster, Devens, and Fitchburg extend our reach further into the areas where our students live and work.

Whether you plan to head into the workforce or transfer to a four-year college, the next phase of your life will begin when you enroll here as a Mount Wachusett student. I look forward to knowing you, and I will be there to shake your hand when you earn your diploma.

James Vander Hooven, Ed.D.

President