Brief Overview

The Secondary Outreach department at Macomb Community College is committed to student success. Our role is to partner with secondary schools within our service area to acquaint potential students with new and exciting opportunities for educational discovery.

The goals of the Secondary Outreach department include:

• Working in formal partnership with the Macomb Intermediate School District to implement county-wide programming.
• Developing and hosting various college and career readiness events for high school students and community members.
• Providing materials, tours and resources to help individuals with the registration process.
• Providing learning opportunities for the at-risk high school population.
• Providing “early start” opportunities to earn college credits, including Dual Enrollment, Articulation, and the Early College of Macomb.
• Providing learning resource tools to help “bridge” the transition from high school to college.
• Sharing pertinent data to benefit the educational process in Macomb County.

Early College of Macomb

Many colleges and universities require the same type of “core” or “general education” requirements, such as English, math, and social science. Macomb offers a wide variety of these classes. The Early College of Macomb prepares high school juniors for the next level of their education by offering courses that will allow them to be a step ahead in college. There are many advantages of completing these types of courses at Macomb:

• Early Entrance – 11th grade students enter a college program while still in high school and are able to earn a high school diploma and attend a 13th year of school after graduation to earn an associate degree with no cost to themselves for tuition, fees and books.
• Early Exit – The ECM program may be completed in three years through grades 11–13 and is facilitated by high school and college instructors who will move the student ahead of a traditional schedule.
• Early Success – Upon completion of the ECM, students are poised for immediate success. They can earn up to the 62 college credits required for the associate degree or technical certificate and those credits can be transferred to a four-year university, or the student can begin work right away, putting them well ahead of their peers.

It is recommended that you work with your high school counselor or Macomb staff when choosing your courses to ensure that the credits will transfer.
Dual Enrollment

Dual Enrollment is an opportunity for high school students to discover the college experience on one of Macomb’s campuses, or in an online course or hybrid format. Dual Enrollment generally falls into one of the following categories:

1. High School Sponsored
   This option allows high school students to earn both high school and college credit for designated course work. If you qualify, the school district pays for the cost of these classes. Authorization is needed from your high school principal and/or district office.

2. Self Sponsored
   This option provides you the opportunity to earn college credit while still in high school, but you are responsible for all costs. If you’re interested, contact the Admissions coordinator at earlyadmit@macomb.edu.

3. Scholar and Leader Sponsorship (Available only in the Spring/Summer Semester)
   Students may be nominated for the Scholar and Leader Sponsorship program to have the opportunity to take a spring/summer course at a reduced cost. Qualified high school seniors attending a Macomb County public or private high school are recommended by their counselors in February of their junior year.
   Please Note: Students in grades 9–10 and home schooled students must meet with the Early Admit Coordinator prior to applying. To schedule an appointment, please call 586.445.7246.

Career Academies

Wondering what the right career path is for you? Explore your options with Career Academies! Career Academies are three- to five-day-long learning experiences for high school students that provide a clear understanding of what a specific career field is like. They are designed to be hands-on, interactive, and fun learning experiences and they have grown tremendously at Macomb. Past offerings have included law enforcement, culinary and pastry arts, robotics, media arts and vet tech. Visit macomb.edu/earlycollege for a current list of offerings, dates and costs.

Articulation

Articulation simply refers to the agreements between Macomb Community College and county school districts to allow students to earn college credit for successful completion of high school courses in a designated academic program. Macomb currently has approximately 150 agreements in 15 different subject areas. Talk to your high school counselor if you are interested and visit a list of current agreements by subject and district at www.macomb.edu/earlycollege.

Student Support Services

At-Risk Students

The purpose of Student Support Services is to create a bridge to college and career awareness for a specific student population—the at-risk student.

In partnership with the Michigan Department of Career Development and Michigan Rehabilitation Services, Macomb offers a program for at-risk high school students in the county. Students are given the opportunity to:

- Identify career interests
- Observe actual college classes
- Set realistic goals for career options
- Discuss college readiness
- Learn about various resources for at-risk students

Achieving the Dream

Macomb Community College is proud to be one of over 100 colleges selected to participate in Achieving the Dream (AtD), a multi-year national initiative. The goal of AtD is to increase community college student success, with a special focus on under-prepared students, low-income students, and students of color—those groups that have traditionally been at a disadvantage educationally. Through our participation in AtD, we look forward to seeing more students complete developmental and college-level courses successfully, stay enrolled from term to term, and earn the certificates and degrees they need to go on to even more success in the workplace.

Secondary Outreach is proud to be a part of this initiative. And it is our goal to close the gap between these at-risk and disadvantaged students and a quality education. From workshops to testing to one-on-one help, Secondary Outreach offers ongoing programs designed to help remedial students get the extra hands-on attention they need prior to graduating high school to be ready in the areas of math, reading, and English.

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