Mercer County Community College Institutional Profile, 2009

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Preface

Attached herewith is the 2009 Institutional Profile for Mercer County Community College.

This information provides a snapshot of the state of our institution.

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President

A. Accreditation Status

Institutional Accreditations

Mercer was initially accredited in 1970, and this accreditation was renewed for ten years in 1975 and again in 1985. Mercer was most recently granted ten-year re-accreditation in 2005 by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, and the State of New Jersey's Board of Higher Education has authorized Mercer to award the associates degree. Mercer is in the process of preparing its 2010 Periodic Review Report (PRR).

Professional Accreditations

The New Jersey Board of Nursing approves and the National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission (NLNAC) accredits the college's Associate Degree Nursing program. The Radiography program is accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology and approved by the New Jersey Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners. The Medical Laboratory Technology program is accredited by the National Accrediting Agency of Clinical Laboratory Sciences. The Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapist Education of the American Physical Therapy Education has given accreditation to the Physical Therapist Assistant program. The American Bar Association accredits the Legal Assistant program. The Technology Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering & Technology accredits the Civil Engineering Technology program. The American Board of Funeral Service Education accredits the Funeral Services program. Mercer's Aviation Flight Technology program became the first two-year aviation program in the nation to be accredited by the Aviation Accreditation Board International.

IIB 1. Number of students served.

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Table II.B.1:

Undergraduate Credit Enrollment by Attendance Status, Fall 2008

<u>Full-ti</u>	<u>ime</u>	Part-t	<u>ime</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	
3,805	41.4%	5,377	58.6%	9,182

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	Total Number of Registrations ¹	Unduplicated Headcount	Total Clock Hours (One Clock Hour = 60 minutes)	Total FTEs ²
Open Enrollment	23,896	8,625	983,193	2,185
Customized Training	3,042		40,427	90

¹Includes all registrations in any course that started on July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008

Source: SURE Non-credit Open Enrollment file and NJ IPEDS Form #31, Customized Training.

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Unduplicated Enrollment, FY 2008#

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Enrollment	Credit Hours	FTE
13,247	180,267	6,009

Source: IPEDS 12-Month Enrollment

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Data is for Academic Year September 1, 2007 thru August 31, 2008, not FY.

²FTEs were computed by converting clock hours to credit hours (by dividing by 15), then converting credit hours to FTEs (dividing by 30).

II.C.2 REMEDIATION / DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION

Name of basic skills placement test administered and criteria (if any) for selecting test takers in fall 2007

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2 Total number of undergraduate students enrolled in fall 2008

Total Fall 2008 Undergraduate enrollment	Number of students enrolled in one or more remedial courses	% of total
9,182	1,785	19.4%

Total enrollment = includes all students, FT, PT, returning, transfers, etc.

Total number of First-time, full-time (FTFT) matriculated students enrolled in remediation in fall

3 2008

Total number of FTFT Students	No. of FTFT students enrolled in one or more remedial courses	% of Total
1,409	768	54.5%

4. First-time, Full-time matriculated students (FTFT) enrolled in remediation in Fall 2008 by subject area.

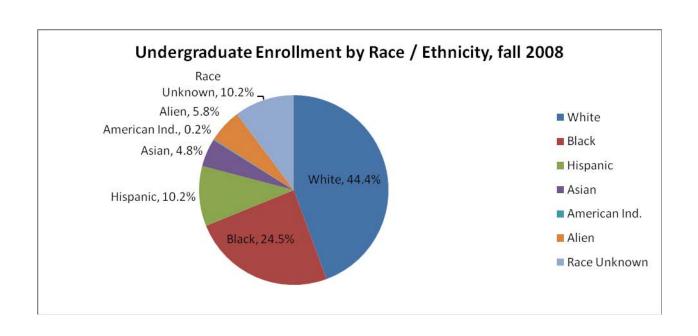
% of all FTFT Subject area No enrolled enrolled in:

Reading	564	40%
Writing	428	30.4%
Math Computation	487	34.6%
Elem. Algebra	125	8.9%

Source: SURE Fall Enrollment File

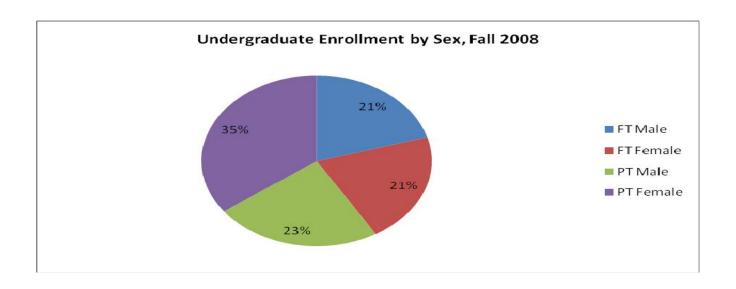
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Table II.C.3.a:
Undergraduate Enrollment by Race/Ethnicity, Fall 2008

													R	ace		
	WI	<u>hite</u>	<u>Black</u>		<u>Hispanic</u>		<u>Asian</u>		Amer.Ind.		<u>Alien</u>		<u>Unknown</u>		<u>Total</u>	
	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>
Full-time	1,908	50.1%	798	21.0%	338	8.9%	165	4.3%	5	0.1%	263	6.9%	328	8.6%	3,805	100.0%
Part-time	2,167	40.3%	1,449	26.9%	601	11.2%	273	5.1%	9	0.2%	266	4.9%	612	11.4%	5,377	100.0%
Total	4,075	44.2%	2,247	24.5%	939	10.2%	438	4.8%	14	0.2%	529	5.8%	940	10.2%	9,182	100.0%



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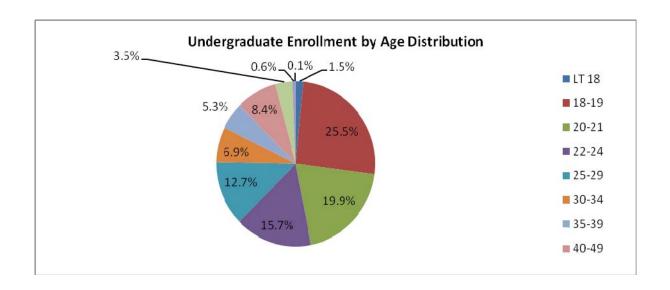
Full-time						Part-time						Total			
<u>Male</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Total</u>	
1.883	49.5%	1.922	50.5%	3.805	2.151	40.0%	3.226	60.0%	5.377	4.034	43.9%	5.148	56.1%	9.182	



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Table II.C.3.c:
Undergraduate Enrollment by Age, Fall 2008

		<u>LT 18</u>	<u>18-19</u>	<u>20-21</u>	<u>22-24</u>	<u>25-29</u>	<u>30-34</u>	<u>35-39</u>	<u>40-49</u>	<u>50-64</u>	<u>65+</u>	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Total</u>
Full-time	Num	25	1,822	997	417	239	107	62	95	37	0	4	3,805
	Pct	0.7%	47.9%	26.2%	11.0%	6.3%	2.8%	1.6%	2.5%	1.0%	0.0%	0.1%	100.0%
Part-time	Num	117	519	826	1,024	927	527	426	676	281	51	3	5,377
	Pct	2.2%	9.7%	15.4%	19.0%	17.2%	9.8%	7.9%	12.6%	5.2%	0.9%	0.1%	100.0%
Total	Num	142	2,341	1,823	1,441	1,166	634	488	771	318	51	7	9,182
	Pct	1.5%	25.5%	19.9%	15.7%	12.7%	6.9%	5.3%	8.4%	3.5%	0.6%	0.1%	100.0%

Source: NJ Commission on Higher Education, Office of Research and Policy Analysis



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Table II.C.4:
Financial Aid from State, Federal & Institution-Funded Programs, FY 2008

State Programs	Recipients	<u>Awards</u>	Dollars(\$)	\$/Recipient	\$/Award
TAG	1,343	2,198	1,599,068	1,190.67	727.51
EOF	293	508	225,380	769.22	443.66
Bloustein Scholars	10	19	8,835	883.50	465.00
Urban Scholars	9	17	7,905	878.33	465.00
NJCLASS Loans		13	79,890		6,145.38
NJ STARS (Fall 2006)	157		470,840	2,998.98	
Federal					
Programs	Recipients		Dollars(\$)	\$/Recipient	
Pell Grants	2,562		5,794,000	2,261.51	
College Work Study	114		171,000	1,500.00	
Perkins Loans	0		0	1,500.00	
SEOG	351		118,000	336.18	
Stafford	551		110,000	550.10	
Loans(subsidized) Stafford Loans	767		2,137,000	2,786.18	
(Unsubsidized)	588		1,640,000	2,789.12	
PLUS Loans			1,212,222	_,	
<u>Institutional</u>					
<u>Programs</u>	<u>Recipients</u>		Dollars(\$)	\$/Recipient	
Grants /					
Scholarships	17		8,000	470.59	
Loans	0		0		
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Source: HESAA System Files for state programs, NJIPEDS Form #41 for federal and institutional programs

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Table II.C.5

Total First-time Full-time Undergraduates in Fall 2008 Enrollment By State Residence

State	Non-State	<u>Total</u>	% State
<u>Residents</u>	Residents		<u>Residents</u>
1,385	24	1,409	98.3%

Source: IPEDS Fall Enrollment Survey Part C

D. Degrees Conferred

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Table II.D.1.a:
Degrees/Certificates Conferred by Race/Ethnicity, FY 2008

	W	<u>hite</u>	<u>Bl</u>	<u>ack</u>	<u>Hisp</u>	<u>anic</u>	<u>Asi</u>	<u>ian</u>	<u>Americ</u>	an Ind.	<u>Ali</u>	<u>en</u>	Race U	nknown	Ţ	<u>otal</u>
	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	Num	<u>Pct</u>	Num	<u>Pct</u>	Num	<u>Pct</u>	Num	<u>Pct</u>	Num	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	Num	<u>Pct</u>
Certificates	44	46.8%	18	19.1%	9	9.6%	7	7.4%	1	1.1%	3	2.2%	12	12.8%	94	100.0%
Associates	438	54.3%	120	14.9%	69	8.6%	43	5.3%	2	0.2%	66	5.0%	68	8.4%	806	100.0%
Total	482	53.6%	138	15.3%	78	8.7%	50	5.6%	3	0.3%	69	4.7%	80	8.9%	900	100.0%

Table II.D.1.b: Degrees/Certificates Conferred by Sex, FY 2008

	<u>Men</u>		Wome	<u>en</u>	<u>Total</u>	
	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>
Certificates	40	42.6%	54	57.4%	94	100.0%
Associates	287	35.6%	519	64.4%	806	100.0%
Total	327	36.3%	573	63.7%	900	100.0%

Source: IPEDS Completions Survey

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Table II.D.2:
Degrees/Certificates Conferred by General Field, FY 2008

	IPEDS CIP Code Major Category	<u>Certificate</u>	<u>Associate</u>	<u>Total</u>
01	Agriculture	2	7	9
04	Architecture	0	4	4
10	Communication Tech	0	20	20
11	Computer Sciences	1	24	25
12	Personal Services	20	12	32
14	Engineering	1	0	1
15	Engineering Tech	9	25	34
22	Legal Professions	8	2	10
24	Liberal Arts/Sciences	0	244	244
43	Security/Protective	1	53	54
44	Public Administration	0	3	3
49	Transportation	0	9	9
50	Visual/Perform Arts	2	47	49
51	Health Professions	31	193	224
52	Business/Management	19	163	182
	TOTAL	94	806	900

Source: IPEDS Completions Survey

E. Student Outcomes

Mercer Table II.E.1.a Two- and Three-Year Success Rates (Combined Graduation & Transfer) of Fall 2005 Full-time First-time Freshmen by Race/Ethnicity

	<u>w</u>	<u>hite</u>	Bla	<u>ack</u>	His	panic	<u>As</u>	<u>sian</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>ien</u>	<u>Oth</u>	ner *	<u>Tc</u>	<u>otal</u>
	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>
Fall 2005 Cohort	619		315		117		46		62		121		1,280	
Success after 2 Years	62	10.0%	18	5.7%	4	3.4%	11	23.9%	5	8.1%	16	13.2%	116	9.1%
Success after 3 Years	197	31.8%	63	20%	25	21.4%	23	50.0%	20	32.3%	43	35.5%	371	29.0%

^{*} Other includes American Indian and Unknown Race.

Mercer Table II.E.1.b Two- and Three-Year Success Rates (Combined Graduation & Transfer) of Fall 2005 Full-time First-time Freshmen by Income

	Low Inc	come *	Non- Inco		<u>Unkno</u>	<u>wn</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>otal</u>			
	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>			
Fall 2005 Cohort	291		456		533		1,280				
2 Year Rates	12	4.1%	55	12.1%	49	9.2%	116	9.1%			
3 Year Rates	64	22%	155	34.0%	152	28.5%	371	29.0%			

^{*} Low Income is defined as student with a NJ Eligibility Index between 1 and 2,499.

Source: SURE Cohort File

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Table II.E.1.c

Two- and Three-Year Graduation Rates of Fall 2005 Full-time First-time Freshmen by Race/Ethnicity

	<u>w</u>	<u>hite</u>	Bla	ack	Hisp	anic	<u> As</u>	<u>sian</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>ien</u>	<u>Otl</u>	ner *	<u>To</u>	<u>tal</u>
	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	Pct	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>
Fall 2004 Cohort	619		315		117		46		62		121		1,280	
Success after 2 Years	32	5.2%	7	2.2%	0	0.0%	3	6.5%	4	6.5%	7	5.8%	53	4.1%
Success after 3 Years	84	13.6%	18	5.7%	9	7.7%	10	21.7%	14	22.6%	13	10.7%	148	11.6%

^{*} Other includes American Indian and Unknown Race.

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Two- and Three-Year Graduation Rates of Fall 2005 Full-time First-time Freshmen by Income

	Low Ir			-Low ome	<u>Unkno</u>	<u>wn</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>otal</u>
	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>
Fall 2005 Cohort	291		456		533		1280	
2 Year Rates	4	1.4%	25	5.5%	24	4.5%	53	4.1%
3 Year Rates	24	8.2%	58	12.7%	66	12.4%	148	11.6%

 $^{^{\}star}$ Low Income is defined as student with a NJ Eligibility Index between 1 and 2,499.

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Table II.E.2.a

Third Semester Retention of Full-time First-time Freshmen by Race/Ethnicity, Fall 2007 to Fall 2008

	w	/hite	В	lack	His	panic	Α	sian	Ameri	ican Ind.	A	lien		ace mown	To	otal
	Num	Pct	Num	<u>Pct</u>	Num	<u>Pct</u>	Num	<u>Pct</u>	Num	<u>Pct</u>	Num	Pct	Num	<u>Pct</u>	Num	<u>Pct</u>
Retained	437	69.3%	184	57.5%	66	57.4%	30	58.8%	2	66.7%	51	66.2%	51	57.3%	821	63.8%
Not Retained	194	30.7%	136	42.5%	49	42.6%	21	41.2%	1	33.3%	26	33.8%	38	42.7%	465	36.2%
Total	631	100.0%	320	100.0%	115	100.0%	51	100.0%	3	100.0%	77	100.0%	89	100.0%	1,286	100.0%

Mercer Table II.E.2.b

Third Semester Retention of Full-time First-time Freshmen by Income, Fall 2007 to Fall 2008

	Low I	ncome *	Non-l	_ow Inc.	<u>Unkno</u>	<u>own</u>	<u>Total</u>	
	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>
Retained	174	58.0%	330	70.5%	317	61.2%	821	63.8%
Not Retained	126	42.0%	138	29.5%	201	38.8%	465	36.2%
Total	300	100.0%	468	100.0%	518	100.0%	1,286	100.0%

^{*} Low Income is defined as student with a NJ Eligibility Index between 1 and 2,499.

Source: SURE Enrollment Files

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Table II.E.3.b Three-Year Transfer Rate of Fall 2005 Full-time First-time Freshmen To Senior Public Institutions

Transfers th		Non-Tran	<u>sfers</u>	Total FTFTF	Fall 2004
<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>
147	11.5%	1,133	88.5%	1,280	100.0%

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Table II.E.3.c

Overall Three-Year Transfer Rate of Fall 2005 Full-time First-time Freshmen

all 2005	Total FTFT	<u>insfers</u>	Non-T	nru Spring 2008	Transfers t
<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>
100.0%	1,280	83.0%	1,062	17.0%	218

Source: SURE Cohort File

Faculty Characteristics

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Table II.F.1:
Full-Time Faculty by Race/Ethnicity, Sex, Tenure Status and Academic Rank, Fall 2008

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	W	<u>hite</u>	BI	<u>ack</u>	His	<u>oanic</u>	<u>As</u>	<u>ian</u>	<u>Ame</u>	<u>r. Ind.</u>	<u>Al</u>	<u>ien</u>	<u>Unk</u>	nown	<u>Tc</u>	<u>otal</u>
	<u>Men</u>	<u>Wom</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Wom</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Wom</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Wom</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Wom</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Wom</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Wom</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Wom</u>
Tenured																
Professors	22	13	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	17
Associate Prof.	9	15	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	18
Assistant Prof.	7	11	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	13
All Others	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
TOTAL	40	39	4	7	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	44	48
Without Tenure																
Professors	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Associate Prof.	4	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	5
Assistant Prof.	11	11	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	14
All Others	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4
TOTAL	16	19	1	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	23
Total																
Professors	22	13	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	17
Associate Prof.	13	19	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	23
Assistant Prof.	18	22	2	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	27
All Others	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4
TOTAL	56	58	5	10	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	62	71

II.F2 Percentage of Course Sections Taught by Full-time Faculty

(Note: Others includes Full-time Administrators and Teaching Assistants)

Fall 2007

	Taught by	Full-time	Taught b	y Part-time		
	Facı	ulty	Fa	culty	Taught by	y Others*
Total Number of Course Sections	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
1315	580	44%	642	49%	93	7%

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Table II.F.3:

Ratio of Full- to Part-time Faculty, Fall 2008

<u>l</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>ime</u>	Part-t	<u>ime</u>	<u>Full-t</u>
<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Pct</u>	<u>Num</u>
100.0%	528	74.8%	395	25.2%	133

Source: IPEDS Human Resources

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G. Characteristics of the Trustees

Table G.1
Race/Ethnicity and Gender of the Members of the Board of Trustees, Fall 2009

	Male	Female	Total
Caucasian	6	3	9
African American	2	1	3
Hispanic	0	0	0
Asian, Pacific Islander	0	0	0
Total	8	4	12

Source: MCCC, President's Office, Fall 2009.

Table G.2

MERCER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2008 – 2009

David Applebaum

Dr. Mary Lou Armiger

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Reverend William E. Coleman, Jr. (Board Chair)

Robert Di Falco (Board Treasurer)

Marvin Gardner, Esq.

Gwendolyn Harris

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Pamela Hersh Mark Matzen

Dr. Samuel Stewart

Dr. Patricia Donohue (Board Secretary)

Alumni Trustee:

Mr. Ernst Renondeau

Table G.3

http://www.mccc.edu/welcome bot.shtml

Source: MCCC, President's Office, Fall 2009.

H. Profile of Institution

Mercer County Community College was established in 1966. It began operations in the summer of 1967 after incorporating the former Trenton Junior College and School of Industrial Arts, an institution whose history dates from 1902. Initially housed in various rented facilities in downtown Trenton, the college moved in 1972 to a comprehensive new campus located on 290 acres adjacent to a sprawling new county park in suburban/rural West Windsor Township. Limited operations continued in Trenton until 1976, when the newly constructed James Kerney Campus opened as a visible sign of the college's continuing commitment to serve the Trenton community.

Degree and Certificate Programs

The scope of Mercer's educational offerings is among the broadest in the state of New Jersey. Through more than 80 program options, students may earn an Associate in Arts (AA), Associate in Fine Arts (AFA), Associate in Science (AS) or Associate in Applied Science (AAS) degree or a Certificate of Proficiency. Unique programs including Funeral Service and Aviation continue to draw a large number of out-of-county students to Mercer. Noncredit offerings cover a wide spectrum, including customized corporate training, continuing professional education, personal interest courses, entry-level employment skills development, and adult basic education. There are also many youth-oriented year-round programs and summer camps.

Table H.1

Credit Programs by Degree Type, Fall 2009

Access Programs

AA Programs

English-as-a-Second Language LPN-RN Upward Mobility

Non-degree Career Related

Communications

Liberal Arts

Non-degree Exploratory

Non-degree Other College

American Studies

Non-degree Personal Development

Humanities and Social Science

International Studies Political and Legal Studies Women's & Gender Studies

AFA Programs

Dance Education

Theatre

Dance

Communications: Speech and Theater

Theatre

Visual Arts Art History

Ceramics / Sculpture

Fine Arts

Photography & Digital Imaging

AS Programs

Architecture **Aviation Management**

Biology

Business Administration

Global Business Exercise Science

Chemistry Computer Science

Cooperative Nursing - Capital Health System

Cooperative Nursing - St. Francis

Nursing

Criminal Justice: Corrections

Criminal Justice: Law Enforcement

Culinology

Information Systems

Computer Information technology Management Information technology

Mathematics Music Plant Science

AAS Programs

Accounting Accounting and Management

Administrative Professional Advertising & Graphic Design

Architectural & Building Construction Tech

Automotive Technology Aviation Customer Relations Aviation Flight Technology Banking & Financial Services **Business Software Applications**

Chef Apprenticeship

Chef Apprenticeship (Pastry) Civil Engineering Technology

Digital Media Arts 3-D Animation Digital Imaging

Web Design

Education/Special Education Assistant Electronics Engineering Technology

Energy Utility Technology **Entertainment Technology** Fire Science Technology

Funeral Service

Funeral Service Preparatory

Health Science

Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Hotel. Restaurant & Institution Management

Illustration

Information Technology

Help Desk Technology

Network Engineering Technology

Programming Website Technology Laboratory Technology

Management Marketing

Medical Laboratory Technology

Microcomputer Systems Administration

Medical Laboratory Technology

Ornamental Horticulture Horticulture Floral Design Landscape Design

Paralegal

Physical Therapy Assistant

Radio Radiography

Respiratory Therapy Cooperative

Social Service **Technical Studies**

Television

Certificates of Proficiency

3-D Animation Administrative Support Architectural Technology

Aviation Flight Tech.-Certified Flight Instructor

Catering Management Computer Aided Design Computer Science Database Administration

Electronics Engineering Technology Engineering Science (Transfer Cert.)

Fire Science

Code Enforcement Officer/Administrator

Funeral Service

Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning

Medical Office Assistant

Microcomputer Applications Network Engineering Technology

Ornamental Horticulture

Paralegal Paraprofessional Classroom Educator

Photography

Professional Baking Professional Cooking Project Management Retail Management

Small Business Employment Readiness

Small Business Management Total Quality Management

Travel Agent Web Design

I. Major Research and Public Service Activities

Mercer is a publicly supported co-educational institution of higher education that seeks to provide quality programs and services at a reasonable cost. Funding is secured through state support (distributed among the various New Jersey community colleges according to enrollment), annual county allocation, student tuition and fees, and supplemental grants. The college offers associate degrees and certificates in 66 programs.

From the outset, Mercer has operated under a one-college philosophy that ensures equitable service to all students regardless of when and where they take their courses. Full-time faculty members teach both day and evening courses at both the West Windsor and James Kerney campuses. Academic divisions and support services departments serve students at both campuses and are responsible for day, evening and weekend students as well as those who enroll via The Virtual Campus, which offers distance learning through web and cable television based courses. The college now has on-campus articulations with Fairleigh Dickinson University, William Paterson University and Felician College. The partnerships with 4 year institutions, allow the college to provide students with an opportunity to earn a bachelor's degree in 6 different programs areas without leaving Mercer.

Mercer County Community College is a cultural hub. Mercer's Kelsey Theatre offers a full slate of musical and dramatic productions for both adults and children. The college's Art Gallery exhibits six major shows per year. A listener-supported public radio network offers classical music programming at 89.1 WWFM and a new HD-2 channel for jazz on the same frequency. Mercer hosts a series of speakers on topics of interest to the community through its Distinguished Lecture Series.

Our cable television channel has a wide geographic reach. It has been energized by the addition of new faculty, and is slated for additional programming including more educational programs. Kelsey Theatre, our Student Center, and classrooms host non-profits for informational seminars, meetings, and fund-raising activities.

The college operates the Conference Center at Mercer to deliver training and professional development for employees of regional businesses and other employers. Other regional, state and local events are hosted at the Conference Center with community partners such as United Way, Italian American societies etc.

While our faculty and staff are major supporters and a catalyst for the area's vibrant non-profit community, the College itself is the centerpiece of the activities for many non-profits and educational entities. The College just participated in the American Heart Association *Heart Walk* with over 50 faculty and staff members. Our 290-acre campus is used frequently for similar walks for March of Dimes, SIDS, Cancer, etc. Various non-profit or other groups use the College facilities every day of the week, and these activities are coordinated with our security personnel for the health and safety of students and community members. The college encourages students to volunteer through the college chapter of the Bonners Honors program or through service learning projects. The College continues to house the Mercer County Police Academy and has now assumed responsibility for the Mercer County Fire Academy, which it plans to expand into a regional center for training in fire science and emergency management.

Our state-of-the-art soccer stadium has hosted Ivy League games and is used by local high school and club teams. The College also offers Camp College, a summer educational program for area youth, numerous summer, sports and theatre camps.

J. Major Capital Projects

This year marked tremendous progress toward completion of the "One Stop Student Center and Library" at the West Windsor Campus, providing new and renovated facilities that enable students to access most enrollment and advisement services in one convenient location.

A new two-story Reception Center now links the Student Center and Library and houses a security office and information desk. Renovated offices in the Student Center include Enrollment Services, Registration, Financial Aid, Bursar, Career Services, Student Activities, as well as offices for student government and clubs. A new second floor was added above the renovated Library, in space that was previously open, and now houses the spacious Learning Center, Testing Center, Bookstore and Special Services offices. Adjacent nearby short-term parking is a welcome convenience.

This project added 7,000 square feet to the previous structures, with total renovated space equaling 70,000 square feet. Additional projects completed include new roofing, new doors to buildings and a new elevator at the James Kerney campus. The master plan is expected to be completed by Spring 2010. In addition, the college has a continuous maintenance program to ensure the ongoing upkeep of facilities and grounds.