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Empl ID
Student ID, often referred to as EMPLID is the unique identification number assigned to each MECC student, faculty and staff through VCCS.

FAFSA
To apply for federal student aid, such as federal grants, workstudy, and loans, you need to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

FERPA
(The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act) A federal law protects the privacy of student education records.

Hybrid
Courses are completed online with the potential of having on campus meetings. The scheduled days for on campus or Zoom meetings will be displayed in the notes on the schedule.

Hyflex
Courses can be completed on campus or by Zoom (assigned day/time and classroom will show on schedule, Zoom link will appear in Canvas).

MyMECC
A web portal that allows students to access Canvas, the Student Information System, student e-mail, library services, and other student resources from one location using one login.

Pre-requisite
A course that must be taken before a student can take another course.

Syllabus
The contract between an instructor and a student that provides information about the course content, objectives, grading criteria, and course schedule.

Synchronous
Courses have a scheduled meeting, time/day and classroom appear on schedule.

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Academic Calendar
The academic calendar includes dates and deadlines for registration, school breaks, last day to drop classes, final examinations, holidays, and other important dates.

Advisor
A faculty or staff member who is assigned to help schedule courses for each semester and ensure the necessary requirements for the student's degree plan (career pathway). Advisor assignments can be found in SIS.

Associate of Applied Science Degree
For students primarily interested in acquiring technical skills that lead directly to employment after graduation. Not intended for transfer.

Associate of Arts and Science Degree
Designed for those who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university.

Asynchronous
Does not require real-time interaction; instead, content is available online for students to access when it best suits their schedules, and assignments are completed to deadlines.

Canvas
A web-based learning management system (LMS) designed to support online courses and provide a space to supplement a face-to-face course. Canvas provides many types of tools and features for enriching the learning experience.

Certificate
Certificates are awarded for career-technical programs, usually two semesters in length. Not intended for transfer.

Co-requisite
A course that must be taken at the same time as another course

Credit Hour
The unit of measurement that colleges use to define how often a course meets, how long the course meets, and the amount of material covered.

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