

History

Located in the White Mountains of New Hampshire, WMCC is northernmost of all the state's community colleges. The College was established in 1966 on the site of one of the first homesteads in Berlin. Faculty members greeted the first class of 104 students with the purpose of preparing "qualified high school graduates as skilled workers to meet the needs of the state."

Since its early days, the College has grown in depth and size. Several new programs have been added to the original curricula. Five major expansions have increased the College's main building to 87,500 square feet of modern classrooms, laboratories, and shops. Computers and educational technologies are prominent in every curriculum, having a significant role in classroom and laboratory instruction. The College has also expanded to include the Littleton Academic Center and the North Conway Academic Center.

In 1996, "Community" was added to the College name. In 2008, "Technical" was eliminated in recognition of WMCC as a comprehensive community college. As the College grows, it plans new courses, new partnerships, and a wider variety of options for learners. The basic philosophy, however, remains the same: to provide North Country residents with a first-rate, two-year college education. Our graduates are well prepared, whether headed to the job market or transferring to four-year institutions to further their education.

In the fifty-six years of its existence, WMCC has consistently sought to provide quality education, allowing each student the opportunity to choose a career of interest and to gain the personal and professional skills needed to be successful in a competitive job market.

The student body has grown significantly and now includes a wide diversity of ages and experiences. Courses for traditional and adult students are available day and evening at the Main Campus and Academic Centers. Online and hybrid offerings continue to expand. Programs uniquely blend theoretical information with practical application and maintain low student-faculty ratios. The faculty are here to teach and to prepare students for success.