

## **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**

English-as-a-Second Language  
LPN-RN Upward Mobility  
Non-degree Career Related

Non-degree Exploratory  
Non-degree Other College  
Non-degree Personal Development

**AA Programs**

Communications  
Communications: Speech and Theater  
Dance  
Education  
Theatre

Liberal Arts  
American Studies  
Humanities and Social Science  
International Studies  
Political and Legal Studies  
Women's & Gender Studies

**AFA Programs**

Dance  
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