

Mat-Su College is a community campus of the University of Alaska Anchorage. "Opportunities start here" is more than a slogan at Matanuska-Susitna College (Mat-Su College); it is our mission. Our aim is to transform student aspirations into realities.

As a Community Campus of UAA, Mat-Su College is located on 951 acres in the Matanuska-Susitna Borough. Mat-Su College serves as a major higher education hub for the communities of Wasilla and Palmer. A modern 102,676 square foot facility houses the majority of the educational activities. Mat-Su College is a student-friendly campus offering small class sizes and state-of-the-art facilities, including paramedic classrooms with a fully equipped ambulance bay, updated science labs, and a 520-seat performing arts theater.

**ACADEMIC YEAR 24 NUMBERS**

- About 1,183 students
- 22 full-time and 36 part-time faculty
- 34 full-time and 9 part-time staff
- 6 student employees/semester

**PROGRAMS**

- 8 occupational endorsement certificates
- 2 licensure programs
- 8 associate degree programs
- Nursing and other UAA bachelor degree programs (partial completion)



*MSC gave me my start and backed me throughout my whole academic journey. MSC's mission is "Opportunities Start Here"; this was true for me! I was supported to grow, fail, learn from those failures, explore, discover and achieve my goal of becoming a Social Work professional. Without the patience, grace and support of MSC – from the Advisors, to the Faculty, to the Director – I would not have become the practitioner I am today, serving my community.*

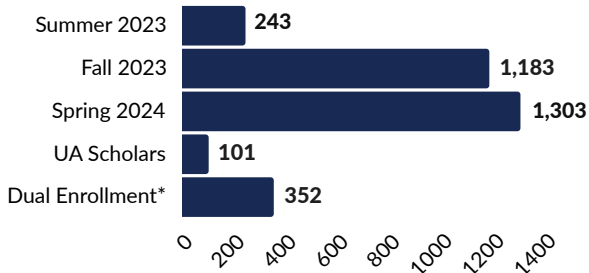
- Sam Ouellette, MSW '23

**TRANSFORMING EDUCATION TO CAREER OUTCOMES**

A year after graduating, Mat-Su College program graduates (FY17 - FY21) were earning an average of \$31,192 annually, about 24 percent (\$5,973) more than they did one year before earning the certificate or degree. Program graduates (FY13 - FY17) working for 5 years were making 48 percent (\$14,871) higher wages on average than graduates who had only been working one year, showing that the earnings boost from a Mat-Su College credential increases over time.

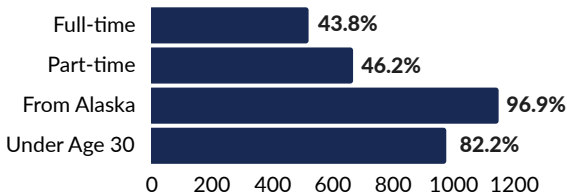
One Year before Graduation	One Year after Graduation	Five Years after Graduation	Salary Increase (One Year to Five)	% Increase (One Year to Five)
\$25,220	\$31,192	\$46,063	\$14,871	48%

## ENROLLMENT PROFILE

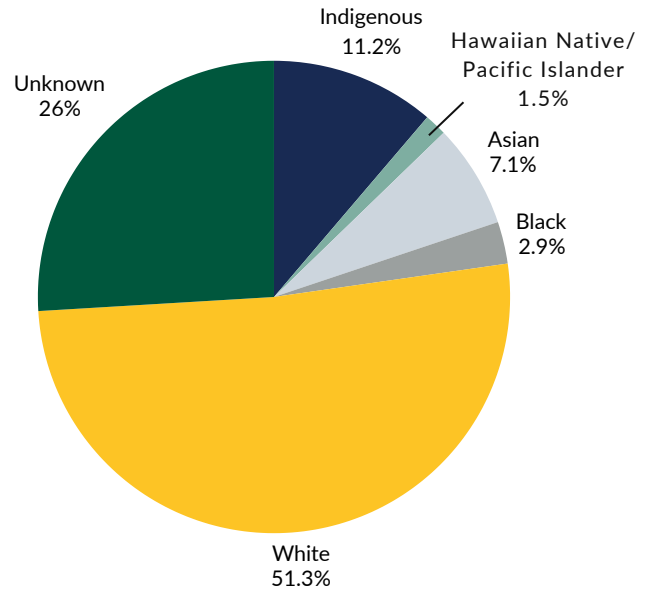


\*Dual enrollment refers to enrollment at the university by a student who is simultaneously enrolled in a K-12 (or homeschool) for which the student may receive credit at both the K-12 and postsecondary levels.

## STUDENT PROFILE



## RACE/ETHNICITY



## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

For over 65 years, Mat-Su College has built its reputation on fostering strong community collaborations and engaging students in educational opportunities. We have maintained strategic partnerships with key local organizations to ensure that our students receive the best support. In cooperation with the Mat-Su Borough School District, we host the Health Programs Forum and the College of Engineering/Computer Science Showcase, encouraging high school students to explore career paths in these fields. Programs such as Middle College, Career and Technical Education, and dual-credit options provide high school students with a solid foundation to pursue further education and careers in high-demand areas like refrigeration and heating, health and human services, and veterinary medicine. Our collaboration with the local Job Corps campus further enhances learning by providing hands-on experiences in trades-related careers, allowing students to graduate with industry-relevant skills and reduced student debt.

## COMMUNITY IMPACT

Mat-Su College is not only an academic institution but also a vital community hub in the Valley. The state-of-the-art Glenn Massay Theater (GMT) has become the venue of choice for the local arts community, hosting plays, concerts, and other events that have been enjoyed by thousands since its opening in 2015. Additionally, the Alvin S. Okeson Library is open to the public, offering essential library services to many area residents. Through these cultural and educational resources, Mat-Su College serves as a gathering place for learning and the arts, solidifying its role as a cornerstone of the Valley's community life. Our commitment to enhancing job opportunities extends to non-traditional students, offering them the chance to pursue education and career advancement through flexible scheduling and workforce-ready programs. This blend of academic excellence and community involvement makes Mat-Su College a true center for both educational and cultural enrichment.



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