

**66%** of jobs in MISSISSIPPI DON'T require a 4-year degree, but **DO** require more than a high-school diploma. BUT... ONLY **30%** of Mississippi workers have the EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS TO FILL THOSE **JOBS.**

Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2014. "In 2013 in Mississippi, those graduating from a two-year public school with an applied science degree made 50 percent more than those graduating with a liberal arts degree." <http://www.todayinmississippi.com/index.php/editorial/article/4734>

**There is a major shortage of workers for these middle-skills positions, some of which pay 50% more than jobs that require a bachelor's degree!**

**So... how can you take advantage of this opportunity?**

**FOR FREE?\***

**Simple... enroll now in Northeast Mississippi Community College's CAREER PATHWAYS PROGRAM!**

This exciting new program offers:

- National, industry-endorsed certifications to help you land a great career job!
- **College credit**, even if you don't yet have a high school diploma! Available to anyone, regardless of education level (HSE prep available, if necessary).
- Workforce certification or Associate's Degree: your choice!
- Flexible schedule, with both day and night classes.
- Support!—Program navigators to guide and counsel you every step of the way.
- Choose from 7 different career pathway programs!

\*For workforce career certification programs; financial aid may be available for academic classes in CTE career pathway programs.

## ADMISSION POLICY

The Career Pathways program requires applicants to complete the "Tiger Works" Orientation and the Professional Development course prior to enrollment. The Tiger Works orientation schedule and the Professional Development course schedule are listed online at [www.nemcc.edu/workforce/abe/](http://www.nemcc.edu/workforce/abe/). Contact any of our local ABE departments to sign up for the next available Tiger WORKS Orientation and the Professional Development course and we will help you get started today on a path to a better future!

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**NEMCC Pathways**



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There are thousands of

**JOBS**  
AVAILABLE  
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HOW DO

**YOU**  
get one?

IT'S SIMPLE!

BUILD YOUR  
SKILLS WITH...

## >> CAREER PATHWAY OPTIONS

Did you know you can earn full, transferrable college credit **even before you finish your high-school equivalency diploma?** Choose from one of our high-demand, middle skills fields; complete your basic courses; then choose between a condensed workforce certificate or a complete Associate's degree.

# YOUR NEXT STEP.

## >> WORKFORCE CAREER CERTIFICATIONS

### Medical and Business Office Assisting

This field is booming—jobs are projected to **grow by 23% by 2024!** This pathway provides a solid foundation for students to enter this field—and to earn the parallel associate's degree program at NEMCC.

#### Professional Skills Courses

- Professional Development
- Computer Applications
- Word Processing
- Applied Business Math

#### Pathway Courses

- Business Communication
- Medical Terminology
- Medical Business Practices

**Professional Certifications:** CRC, Skills USA (Employability Skills and Customer Service), IC3, Word Processing-OPAC, Workforce Career Certification in Medical Business Office Assisting.

### Industrial Maintenance Basic Technician

The field of Industrial Maintenance is projected to grow by 16% in the next few years; much faster than average! This pathway provides a solid foundation for students to enter this field—and to earn the parallel associate's degree program at NEMCC.

#### Professional Skills Courses

- Professional Development
- Computer Applications
- Safety and Print Reading

#### Pathway Courses

- Intro to Electricity
- Program Logic Controllers
- Hydraulics and Pneumatics
- AC/DC Circuits for Electrical

**Professional Certifications:** CRC; Skills USA (Employability Skills and Customer Service); IC3; and Workforce Career Certification in Industrial Maintenance IT.

### Information Systems Technology

Over 750,000 people work in IT support; almost 90,000 more jobs are coming by 2024! This pathway provides a solid foundation for students to enter this field—and to earn the parallel associate's degree program at NEMCC.

#### Professional Skills Courses

- Professional Development
- Computer Applications
- Applied Business Math
- Word Processing

#### Pathway Courses

- Business Communication
- IT Foundations

**Professional Certifications:** CRC, Skills USA (Employability Skills and Customer Service), IC3, and Workforce Career Certification in Microcomputer/Information Systems Tech, A+.

Note: All job statistics listed in this literature can be found at: [www.bls.gov](http://www.bls.gov); [www.swib.ms.gov/DataCenter/](http://www.swib.ms.gov/DataCenter/)

## >> CAREER/TECHNICAL (CTE) PATHWAYS (Associate Degree Programs)

Select students who qualify for the MI-BEST program can participate in one of four high-demand career/technical pathways leading to a workforce certificate or an Associate's degree!

Choose from:

- **Accounting Technology** – Do you like numbers? How about this: entry-level accounting jobs are projected to grow by 12% at the state level.
- **Computer Technology** – Computer support specialists are in demand; national job growth is 12%
- **Medical Office Technology** –35% job growth at the state level!
- **Hospitality Management** – Tourism is a growing business in Mississippi. Hotels and restaurant business is growing. Managers in these fields earn \$46K+!

### Got questions?

We can help you! See the back panel of this brochure for contact information.

## 1 Step One: Basic Courses

#### Integrated Pathway Courses

The first courses to be completed – for all four pathways.

Completed as short-term Workforce classes--college credit from challenge exam:

- Professional Development
- Computer Applications
- Applied Business Math

Completed in the college classroom, with support from a basic-skills instructor in the classroom:

- English Composition I
- General Psychology

**THESE COLLEGE CLASSES CAN BE COMPLETED BEFORE FINISHING YOUR HIGH-SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY DIPLOMA!**

## 2 Step Two: Choose Your Path

■ **Associate's degree:** enroll full-time and earn your degree!

- OR -

■ **Workforce Career Certification:** earn a certification in one of the three workforce pathways described above.

