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# President's Message



Hello. I'm Joanne Truesdell, president of Clackamas Community College. I am also a 1982 graduate of Clackamas. I know firsthand the value of community college education.

If you are getting ready to enroll at Clackamas Community College, you are in good company. Nationally, community colleges serve nearly half of the undergraduate students in the United States. Students choose community colleges to start on the path to a four-year degree, completing their first two years of college. Students of all ages and walks of life turn to community colleges to gain or improve work force skills that lead to getting a job or advancing in a job. We provide basic skills education and services to businesses and industry.

Community colleges are in the national spotlight in a way never seen before. In October, the White House hosted the first-ever White House Summit on Community Colleges to support the President's goal of having the best-educated, most competitive work force in the world by 2020. Over the next decade, nearly eight in 10 jobs will require higher education or work force training.

As you look through this catalog and consider the options for your future, know that you are taking the first step in a life-changing journey. The education and training you receive at Clackamas Community College will benefit your life in so many ways.

***Thank you for choosing Clackamas!***

**Dr. Joanne Truesdell**

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