

Welcome to Saint Paul College



Saint Paul College is a place that empowers students from all walks of life and places all around the globe as they navigate their different pathways. Whether your pathway is career and technical training, academic transfer, gaining skills to become a better employee, or enriching your life through life-long learning, we have a place for you at Saint Paul College!

We believe that our success is rooted in the thousands of students who find a home at Saint Paul College every year. Saint Paul College has been ranked the #1 community college in the nation by Washington Monthly magazine in 2010 and again in 2013, for student engagement in active and collaborative learning, student-faculty interaction, and support for learning. If you are looking for a caring, supportive and challenging learning environment where dedicated and knowledgeable faculty and staff are committed to your future and success, then Saint Paul College is the right place for you.

Saint Paul College has a tremendous impact on the vibrant City of Saint Paul and surrounding communities. For over 100 years, the College has been here to serve the citizens, local industries and above all else, the students. With deep roots in career and technical education, along with academic transfer, Saint Paul College has prepared over 40,000 students for employment or transfer to four-year colleges and universities.

I would like to personally invite you to visit our beautiful campus. Take a tour and see our classrooms and hands-on laboratory and training facilities; talk to our student ambassadors, staff and faculty and experience our campus community. Our newly renovated Learning Commons area provides a technology-friendly space for students to study and meet with friends and classmates.

When you visit Saint Paul College, I hope you notice “The student is” document that we have posted around our campus. It is our promise to you, and a reminder to ourselves, that the student is the most important person on our campus – for without you there would be no need for our college. As you walk around our college, I hope you see what I see – that our team of staff and faculty advance the human cause through respect, individuality and civility—it happens here each and every day. We truly care about our students and each other.

On behalf of our faculty, staff and administrators, I want to thank you for considering Saint Paul College as your educational partner and your pathway to a bright future. We look forward to working with you each step of the way.

Best wishes for success with your college plans and your personal goals. Remember, when you *start here*, you can *go anywhere!*

Sincerely,

Rassoul Dastmozd, Ph. D.
President and CEO

Saint Paul College: Vision, Mission & Values

Vision

Saint Paul College will be a leader in providing comprehensive lifelong learning through innovative and quality focused strategies and services.

Mission

The mission of Saint Paul College is to provide: *Education for Employment...Education for Life!*

Saint Paul College offers comprehensive learning opportunities in career and transfer education to enhance personal knowledge and advance economic opportunity for the benefit of a diverse population including students, business/industry/labor and the community.

our values

Excellence
Teaching & Learning
Career & Transfer Education
Student-Focused Services
Innovation
Accessibility
Technology

Integrity
Honesty
Accountability
Decision-Making
Climate Responsiveness

Respect
Student-Centered
Cultural Diversity/Inclusiveness
Human Diversity
Collaboration

SAINT PAUL COLLEGE
A Community & Technical College

Our Values

The College mission and goals are based on its values which are central to an effective learning organization.

Saint Paul College — A Community & Technical College is committed to the following values.

Excellence

- Teaching & Learning
- Career & Transfer Education
- Customer Service
- Innovation
- Accessibility
- Technology

Integrity

- Honesty
- Accountability
- Decision-Making
- Climate Responsiveness

Respect

- Student Centered
- Cultural Diversity/Inclusiveness
- Human Diversity
- Collaboration

Strategic Goals

aligned with the strategic framework of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system

MnSCU Strategic Direction 1:

Ensure access to an extraordinary education for all Minnesotans.

1. Maximize comprehensive, high-quality learning, programs and services.

Saint Paul College is committed to excellence in teaching and learning, and offers a wide spectrum of learning opportunities and delivery methods in career and transfer education to address learners' present and future needs.

- Provide seamless, comprehensive learning opportunities through innovative academic programs for diverse learners.
- Apply technology to enhance teaching and learning and to maximize effectiveness.
- Assess academic programs, student services, student achievement and instructional accountability.
- Pursue new and continuing national, regional and professional accreditation.

2. Expand access, service, opportunity and success.

Saint Paul College is dedicated to an integrated service philosophy that focuses on learner needs.

- Enhance the learner-centered success model to improve student performance in key indicators.
- Collaborate with secondary educational institutions and community organizations to promote college readiness and student success.
- Partner with other higher educational institutions to increase learning options for students.

MnSCU Strategic Direction 2:

Be the partner of choice to meet Minnesota's workforce and community needs.

3. Strengthen organizational, community and global partnerships to enhance economic competitiveness.

Saint Paul College is committed to apply systems to improve learning, communication and productivity.

- Promote the College as a key provider of high quality life-long learning for employment and/or transfer.
- Provide continuing education and short-term training to meet workforce and community needs.
- Build strong relationships/partnerships with alumni, local, state, regional, national and international constituents.
- Develop and expand outreach services and partnerships to support regional vitality.

MnSCU Strategic Direction 3:

Deliver the highest value / most affordable option by designing the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system of the future.

4. Optimize organizational innovation and development.

Saint Paul College strives to ensure a successful future through creative thinking, shared services and the implementation of quality principles.

- Build organizational capacity for change to meet future challenges and remove barriers to innovation and responsiveness.
- Empower employee engagement to foster innovation.
- Apply technologies to improve communication and productivity.
- Maximize the use of physical resources.
- Utilize all resources to enhance effectiveness, increase efficiencies and improve learning and operations.

5. Sustain financial viability during changing economic and market conditions.

Saint Paul College is committed to ensuring its longtime financial sustainability.

- Make budget decisions that reflect priorities in core mission and fiscal stewardship.
- Utilize sound financial management and assessment practices.
- Increase student financial literacy and pursue new ways to reduce default rates.
- Expand institutional fundraising to generate additional scholarships and grants.