Maui Community College serves the educational needs of residents of the three islands comprising Maui County: Molokai, Lana‘i, and Maui.

Mission
Maui Community College (Maui CC) is a learning-centered institution that provides affordable, high quality credit and noncredit educational opportunities to a diverse community of lifelong learners.

Vision
We envision a world-class college that meets current and emerging Maui County education and training needs through innovative, high-quality programs offered in stimulating learning environments and guided by the Native Hawaiian reverence for ahupua‘a, a practice of sustaining and sharing diverse but finite resources for the benefit of all.

Accreditation
Maui CC is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges of the Western Association of Schools & Colleges, 10 Commercial Boulevard, Suite 204, Novato, CA 94949, 415 506-0234, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education.

Summer Session
The College summer session provides students the opportunity to accelerate progress toward a certificate or degree or make up deficiencies. Since summer session courses are “self-supporting,” tuition rates are higher than regular sessions.

History
Maui CC is an outgrowth of the Maui Vocational School established in 1931. In 1958 the Department of Public Instruction authorized the name change to Maui Technical School, denoting an upgrade of vocational education to a technical level. In 1964 the Hawai‘i State Legislature enacted the Community College Act establishing a statewide community college system under the University of Hawai‘i (UH). Maui Technical School was incorporated into this system on July 1, 1965, and jurisdiction transferred from the Department of Education to the University of Hawai‘i.

In 1966 the UH Board of Regents authorized the College to confer the Associate in Arts and the Associate in Science degrees and approved the name change to Maui Community College, effective July 1, 1966. The first lower division transfer courses followed in September, 1967.

The College is one of seven community colleges in the UH system. It is the only UH community college that specifically serves the residents of more than one island. The student population is about 3,300 students. The main campus encompasses 78 acres at the Kahului site. Since 1995, five buildings have been added: Ka Lama, Ka‘a’ike, Kūpa‘a, Laulima, and Pa‘ina. A private, off-campus, student apartment facility is within a short walking distance to the College, shopping centers, markets, and banks.

Accommodating students by using alternative delivery has been a primary value of the College. Self-paced classes, begun in 1985, opened up an array of concurrently-taught courses and diversified offerings in areas with a lower population base. Technological advances further opened access to students by minimizing their need to be physically present on the Kahului campus. The first cable course was broadcast across Maui County in 1986. The SkyBridge tri-ile interactive television system followed shortly in 1988 and enabled students at Molokai, Lana‘i, and Hana to participate in classes simulcast from the Kahului studio. Statewide delivery via the Hawai‘i Interactive Television System (HITS) began in 1991, which made possible advanced degrees from UH four-year institutions.

The history of Maui CC also reflects its value to accommodate students with difficulty reaching the Kahului campus through the development of Outreach Centers in Hana, Kihei, Lahaina, Lana‘i, and Molokai.

Molokai Education Center
Outreach classes were first offered in 1970 to Molokai residents. Hotel Operations and Liberal Arts classes were taught at the Kaunakakai Elementary School. In 1986 the College rented a 2,000 sq. ft. facility, and enrollments doubled. The Molokai Ag Farm, acquired in 1982, offered Agricultural Careers, the first onsite full-time college degree program accessible to the residents of Molokai.

Flexible instructional delivery modes played an integral role in expanding Molokai offerings with self-paced, cable, and SkyBridge classes. And implementation of HITS in 1991 gave access to advanced degrees from other UH institutions. In addition, many Molokai-based lecturers are hired as onsite instructors for programs including Human Services, Business Technology, Business Careers, Agriculture, Nurse Aide, and Liberal Arts. Students follow published sequences leading to certificates and degrees and take part in cyclic commencements on Molokai attended by families and friends.

The dream of a permanent facility became a reality in August 1999, with the opening of the Molokai Education Center, which remains the focal point of higher education on Molokai today. The facility houses a general purpose classroom, three interactive television studios, a computer lab, a library, a seminar room, and offices.

Lana‘i Education Center
On the island of Lana‘i, the first credit courses were offered in 1980 in Accounting and Hawaiian language. The first onsite commencement was held in 1987 with a cadre of 13 graduates earning a Certificate of Achievement in Hotel Operations entirely on Lana‘i.

The College leases an older building in Lana‘i City for the Education Center. The facility houses two distance learning classrooms, an individualized television viewing station, a computer lab, and offices. The Lana‘i program offers classes each term by distance and an occasional Lana‘i or Kahului-based instructor. Courses lead to certificates and degrees in six programs, and distance delivery expands offerings to the baccalaureate and master level.
West Maui community. quickly becoming an integral part of the Hwy, the Lahaina Education Center is between Front Street and Honoapiilani residents. Located on Kenui Street meetings and seminars for college bound Education classes are available, as well as or via video conferencing. Continuing testing, applying for financial aid online, exam proctoring or arranging a meeting with an academic advisor in person or via video conferencing. Continuing Education classes are available, as well as meetings and seminars for college bound residents. Located on Kenui Street between Front Street and Honoapiilani Hwy, the Lahaina Education Center is quickly becoming an integral part of the West Maui community.

Hana Education Center
The Hana Education Center has been making higher education possible for the residents of the remote East Maui community since 1987. It is conveniently located in the Hana Community Center, in the heart of town. Classes are produced via the University of Hawai‘i HITS (two-way closed circuit TV) system, cable television, the internet and “live” onsite. By utilizing the technologically advanced HITS system, students are able to participate in courses taught throughout the UH system, including those leading to advanced degrees.

The student base is comprised of degree seekers and lifelong learners as well as high school students. It is not unusual to have several generations of one family enrolled in various classes in a given semester.

Kihei MRTC Outreach Site
The Kihei site, located at the Maui Research & Technology Center (MRTC), is managed by the University of Hawai‘i system. The facility is primarily a receive site for distance delivered baccalaureate and graduate courses and programs from the UH campuses at Manoa, West Oahu, and West Oahu. On site credit and non-credit classes are also accommodated.

Lahaina Education Center
The newest of the College’s outreach sites, the Lahaina Education Center, manages all aspects of the college experience for the residents of West Maui. Students attend “live” credit classes with local instructors, or attend via the closed circuit TV system known as HITS. Additionally, students and community members utilize the Ed Center for placement testing, applying for financial aid online, exam proctoring or arranging a meeting with an academic advisor in person or via video conferencing. Continuing Education classes are available, as well as meetings and seminars for college bound residents. Located on Kenui Street between Front Street and Honoapiilani Hwy, the Lahaina Education Center is quickly becoming an integral part of the West Maui community.

Bachelor of Applied Science
The Bachelor of Applied Science degree in Applied Business & Information Technology (ABIT) combines a curriculum including business, information technology, and liberal arts. The ABIT program of Maui CC is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), 985 Atlantic Avenue, #100, Alameda, CA 94501, 510 748-9001. For information, call Crystal Alberto at 984-3294, or visit the website: www.hawaii.edu/maui/abit

University of Hawai‘i Center, Maui
The University of Hawai‘i Center, Maui delivers bachelor and master programs and professional certificates to Maui County from the UH colleges at Manoa, West Oahu, and Hilo.

Classes are taught on site at the Kahului campus or through distance technology, including the Internet and videoconferencing, and make it possible for students who live and work in Maui County to earn advanced degrees. Course schedules are designed to accommodate students’ work and family responsibilities.

For information, call 984-3525, or visit the website: ucmaui.hawaii.edu

Office of Continuing Education and Training - VITEC
The Office of Continuing Education & Training (OCET) serves the workforce, educational, and cultural needs of the people of Maui County through noncredit classes as well as customized training, apprenticeship, and English as a Second Language programs. Classes are offered at the Kahului campus and at various other sites around Maui County.

For information, call 808 984-3231, or visit the website: www.ocet.org

Small Business Development Center Network - SBDCN
The SBDCN coordinates two centers:

SBDC
The Maui Small Business Development Center (SBDC) provides counseling, training, and other resources to businesses with fewer than 500 employees. Funded by the U.S. Small Business Administration and the State of Hawai‘i, the SBDC provides one-to-one consultations, workshops, structured educational programs, and business networking. There are no fees for consulting services.

For information, call 875-2402, or visit the website: www.hawaii-sbdc.org

BRL
The Business Research Library (BRL) is a statewide Hawai‘i SBDC Network Specialty Center providing businesses, entrepreneurs, and students with online data analysis, trademark, copyright, industry, market, and grant research. The BRL publishes and produces the Maui County Data Book and is a state data center affiliate and federal depository housing census print, map, and CD-ROM products. Quick answers and business start-up questions are provided free of charge. Computers are available for Internet research. The BRL houses a specialized collection of business reference books, journals, and topic files on a broad range of subjects.

Users must call 875-2400 in advance for an appointment.

Maui CC Development Office
Maui CC seeks private gifts to sustain and advance the College. Gifts assist students with scholarship aid, provide critically needed funds for specific programs including instructional resources and faculty/staff development, and provide the flexibility to plan and build for the future. Private gifts to the College are made through the University of Hawai‘i Foundation which, through its Maui office, supports the College’s fund-raising efforts.

For information, call the Maui CC-UH Foundation Office at 984-3261.