

# DEAN'S WELCOME

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## Welcome from the Dean

It is my pleasure to welcome you to City College and Montana State University Billings. I am delighted you have selected City College to further your education.

City College provides students with the academic background and skills needed for either an associate of science degree that will transfer towards a further bachelor degree program or an associate of applied science degree or certificate that will prepare you for immediate employment in your selected occupational area. The Associate of Applied Science degree also offers the opportunity for you to transfer towards a bachelor of applied science degree at MSU Billings. While a student at City College, you will receive a high-quality education in classroom settings, laboratories, and field-based experiences where industry standards are the norm. City College and MSU Billings sits in the heart of Billings, Montana where business and industry thrive.

This allows City College to provide a great opportunity for students to experience learning and accessing the Billings community as their living and learning laboratory via internships, community outreach projects, practicums, and volunteerism, to name only a few of the options available.

City College faculty members are current and experienced in their respective fields. City College programs are directly tied with local business, industry, and prospective employers through advisory committees and the College's Advisory Board to assure the curriculum you study continues to meet or exceed current and changing industry standards. This helps ensure your preparation for immediate employment upon graduation.

I am excited to share with you our vision of enhancing the mission of City College to take on the role of a comprehensive community college. The College's primary focus is to provide two-year education in associate degrees, certificates and lifelong learning opportunities for the entire region. I am sure you will find City College to be an indispensable part of your life towards not only advancing your knowledge, skills, and experience towards your educational and career goals, but a full university experience with student life, residential housing, clubs/organizations, athletics, and being part of a college community. City College is one college of five within MSU Billings, so we provide you an opportunity to continue to advance your education and skills by further pursuing a four year bachelor's degree.

The purpose of this catalog is not only to assist you in planning your academic program, but also to provide you with additional information about Montana State University Billings and City College. If you have questions, please ask. All of us at Montana State University Billings are committed to serving you. We are very pleased and excited you have chosen City College as the next step in preparing for your future.

Sincerely,

Vicki N. Trier, Ph.D.

Dean

City College at Montana State University Billings