

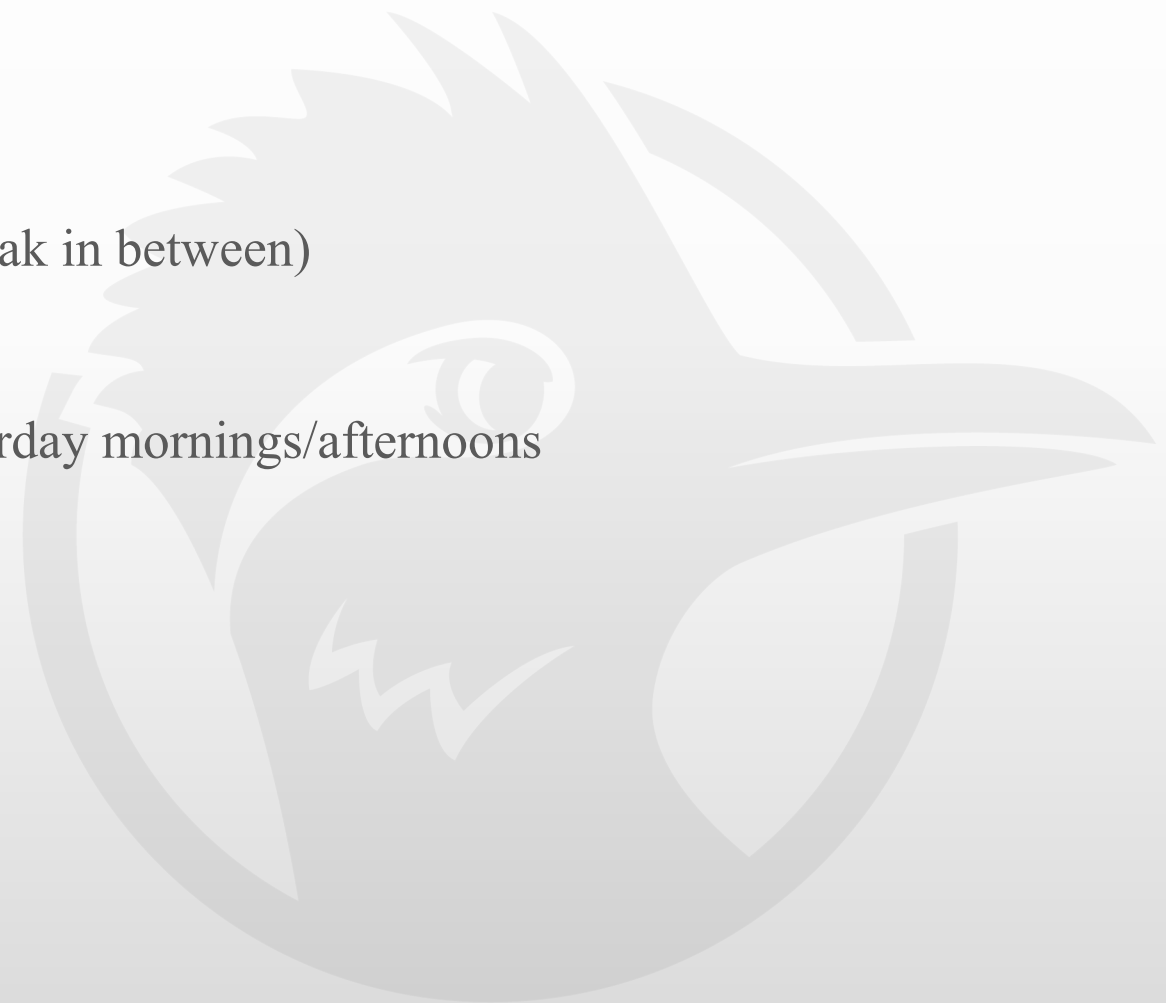
Supporting Adult Learners through Weekend College

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Weekend College

- Launched in fall semester 2022
- Seven-week terms (two per semester with one-week break in between)
- Hybrid format –
 - Classes meet four times on Friday evenings or Saturday mornings/afternoons
 - Class length: 3 – 3.5 hours
 - Remainder of course work is asynchronous
- Students may attend in person or via Zoom
- Classes guaranteed to run regardless of enrollment
- Courses also offered for Rural College Consortium



Weekend College

- Designed to meet needs of adult learners
 - More likely to work full- or part-time and to support a family
 - Barriers: work schedules, daycare, household budget, food insecurity, transportation, technology needs
- Flexible scheduling on weekends
- Combination of synchronous and asynchronous offers **flexibility while fostering connections with instructor and classmates**



Weekend College

Associate of Arts Track

- Complete 60-credit degree in two years only on weekends
- Comp I and II every fall
- Math course every spring
- Variety of electives and core requirements –
Most popular: Psychology, English Comp, Geography, Philosophy

Early Childhood Education Certificates

- Stackable Certificates
 - ECE Assistant
 - ECE Infant/Toddler Teacher
 - Early Childhood Teacher
 - Early Childhood Education Director

Classes Offered – Students Served

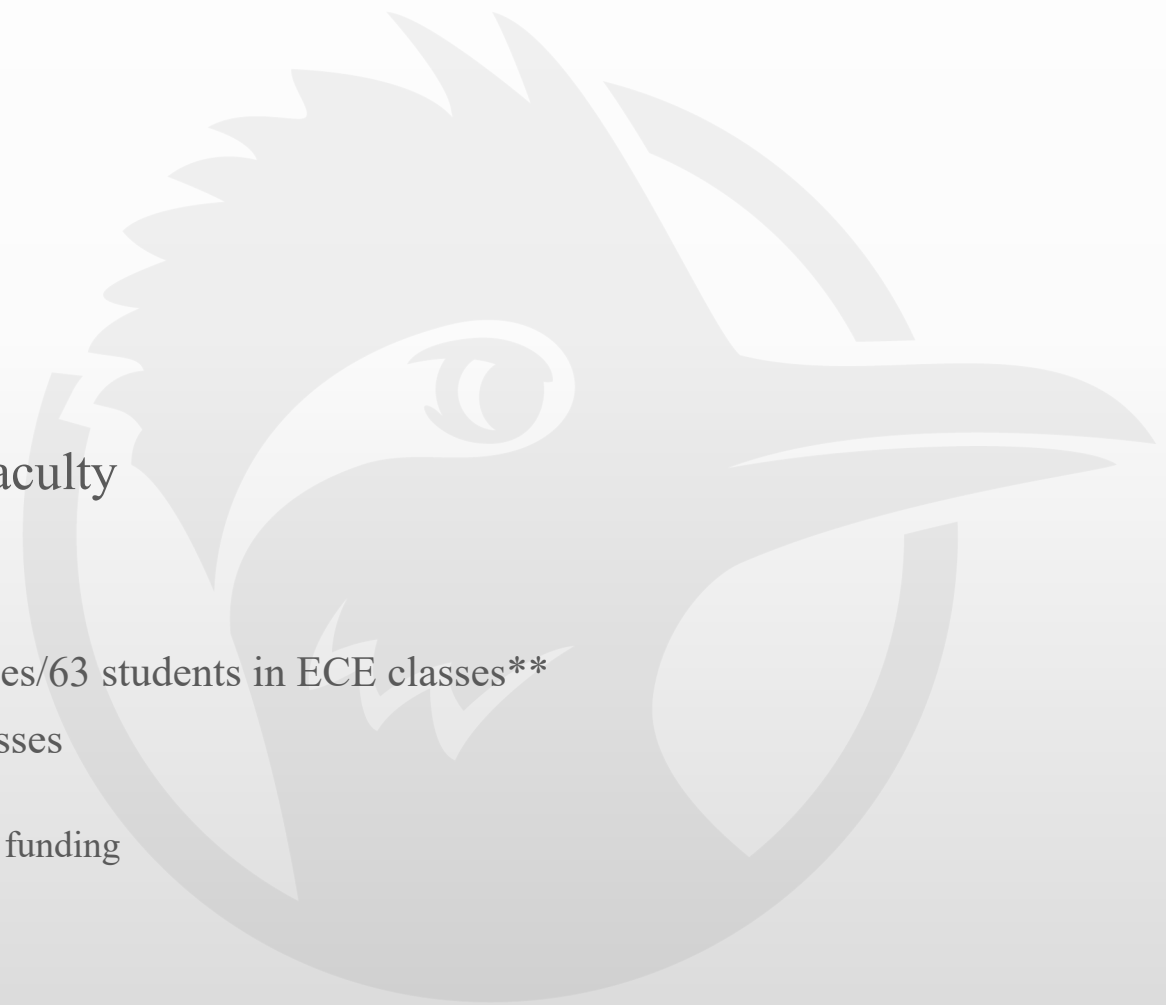
Since launch in Fall 2022:

- 19 GT courses for the AA track
- 21 courses in the ECE certificate tracks
- Taught by 13 part-time instructors and 9 full-time faculty
- 246 students enrolled across all classes

2022-2023 (including summer 2023): 57 students in GT classes/63 students in ECE classes**

2023-2024: 75 students in GT classes/51 students in ECE classes

**ECE 1011 and 1031 tuition and fees paid through state funding



WEEKEND COLLEGE SCHEDULE

SPRING 2024



- Separate schedule to highlight Weekend College offerings
- Also in full semester and express schedules

Marketing to Launch Weekend College



*Change your story
this fall at MCC!*

"Going back to college...I put it off and put it off until I couldn't anymore. I had a fear of going back. There were times I struggled through my program, where I wanted to give up, but I wanted to be a role model for my kids. I worked really hard in this program to succeed. Graduating as a Physical Therapist Assistant is one of the most rewarding things I've done."

Lacie Devore
Class of 2022, MCC Graduate

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- Start your Associate of Arts Degree
- Earn Early Childhood Education certificates
- Learn Photoshop photo editing skills

Learn more at morgancc.edu/weekend

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with Photoshop

Are you having difficulty fitting a college education into your busy life? This fall MCC is offering Weekend College classes on Friday evenings and Saturdays with in-person and virtual flexibility.

Learn more at MorganCC.edu/weekend

Apply for financial aid ASAP!




Postcard for Spring 2024 Classes



Register for Spring Classes!

"MCC's weekend classes made my dream possible and allowed me to maintain my focus on both family and career while completing my associate degree and earning my Early Childhood Director Certificate."

Kabrie Perez
Evans Early Childhood Preschool Teacher

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Spring classes start January 16, 2024.
Register today!

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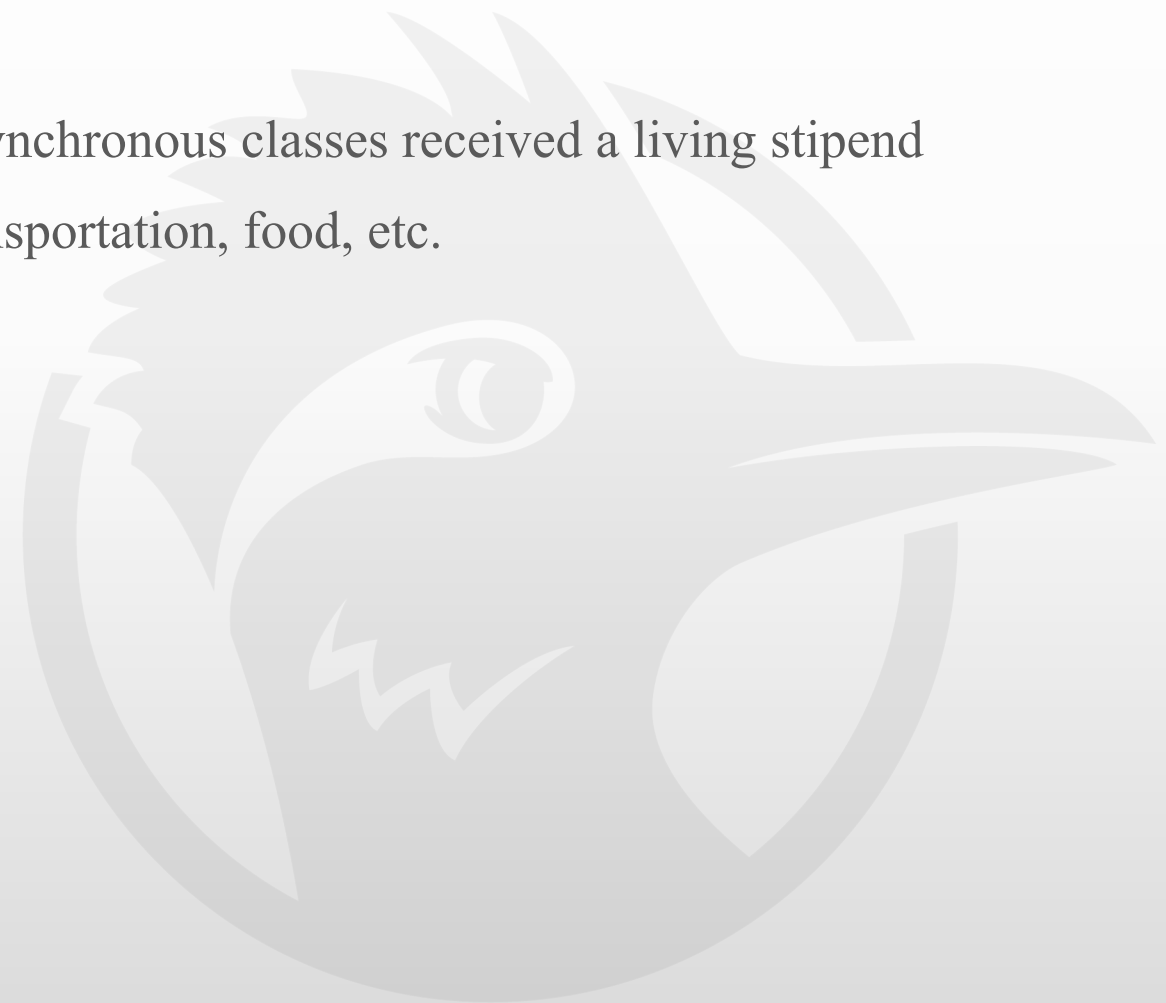
Earn your Associate of Arts Degree or Early Childhood Education certificates on the weekends!

Take one weekend class this spring and receive \$100.

See details at morgancc.edu/weekend

Spring 2024 -- \$150 Stipends to Lessen Barriers

- Each student who attended a minimum of the first two synchronous classes received a living stipend (for one class only) to help defray costs of childcare, transportation, food, etc.
- Total of 39 stipend recipients
 - Of those, 23 students were adult learners (aged 25+)
 - Ages ranged from 17 to 61
 - Demographics
 - 15 students – Hispanic/Latino/Latinx
 - 4 students – Black non-Hispanic
 - 10 students – White non-Hispanic



Fall 2024 plans

- Continue supporting adult learners
 - Weekend college classes
 - Food Pantry and Thanksgiving baskets
 - Incorporation of fresh local produce
 - Stipends to reduce non-academic barriers
 - Advertising about Weekend College



Importance of Weekend College for Adult Learners

*“I think the **biggest obstacle** to going back to school, especially **as an adult learner**, is **balancing being a parent, a spouse, a full-time employee, and now a full-time student....Weekend college has made the biggest difference with not only that balancing act but for me as an individual learner. The courses are so content dense. They are fast paced and you’re able to get the most out of them in a much shorter, efficient time frame. **The structure and availability of weekend college was truly what made it possible for me to go back to school....After my first successful semester of weekend courses, I was so proud and so much more confident in my abilities** that now I’ve been able to branch out to include online courses as well- but in thanks to the skills I gained from the weekend courses.”***

~Student pursuing Early Childhood Education Director Certificate

Thank you!