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POWERFUL RESULTS

MCLA Tops List of Best Equity Campuses Across the U.S. and Ranked a Top Ten College by U.S. News and World Report

A new report from the University of Southern California's Race and Equity Center has identified Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts (MCLA) as one of the top public

institutions in the nation for serving black students well. Additionally, earlier this fall, MCLA was named by *U.S. News and World Report* as one of the Nation's Top Public Liberal Arts Colleges for 2019. Among the multiple indicators *U.S. News and World Report* considers are increased graduation rates and social mobility.



With Her Bachelor's Completed, Campus Police Sergeant Pursues M.Ed

At her graduation, Laura Lefebvre '17 took a chance and wrote "MCLA Sergeant Lefebvre" on the card to be read just prior to what she later described as an emotional walk across the Commencement stage. "A cheer went up and I was blown away. That was my MCLA community cheering me on, and I can't tell you what that meant to me."



From Student to Principal

Fewer than 3 percent of Massachusetts' school principals are under the age of 30, but as the recently named principal of New Hingham Regional Elementary School, 25-year-old MCLA alumnus Jesse McMillan '14, M.Ed '17 is one of them. It's just the latest in a series of accomplishments. "Many universities throughout the state that prepare students to become school leaders offer the typical course sequence to meet regulations, but MCLA's Leadership Academy does so in a way unlike any other."



Film Grad Aids Puerto Rico: 'How Can I Help?'

Ryan Scutt '09 has produced thousands of videos as a production coordinator at Catamount Access TV in Bennington, Vt., but this spring he produced his first feature-length project. "Rebuilding Puerto Rico" recounts the story of 24 volunteers who rebuilt homes in Puerto Rico for some of the survivors of Hurricane Maria, whose houses were badly damaged in the storm. Scutt, pictured here with muffins he made for a bake sale to support the project, said, "I hadn't heard much from those that have experienced first-hand the life-changing and disastrous event that 3.5 million United States citizens endured. Their stories need to be heard."



Innovation Challenge

For her original and inventive idea, Shannon Cahill '18, an English/communications major with a minor in arts management, walked away with the \$10,000 prize and a funded, 10-week internship, along with advising and space to continue to develop her idea at Lever, Inc., a collaborative workspace and incubator focused on regional economic growth. Lever helps launch high-growth, high-potential companies that will create jobs. As the winner of MCLA's Second Annual Innovation and Entrepreneurship Challenge, Cahill will continue to build a graphic design and promotion agency she co-founded in December 2017. "This was an incredible opportunity that I am increasingly thankful for," Cahill said.

World-renowned Speakers





This fall MCLA continued in its tradition of welcoming world-renowned speakers to campus.



TA-NEHISI COATES
Eighth Annual Michael S.
and Kitty Dukakis
Public Policy Lecture
Best-selling author, journalist,
and comic book writer



MARIA HINOJOSA
Hardman Lecture:
"Frontlines: Latinos &
Immigration from a
Woman's Perspective
Anchor and executive
producer of "Latino USA"



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Arts Management, B.A. 🖤 👦

Biology, B.S. (1) (1)
Biotechnology (2)
Pre-Medical Professions (3)

Pre-Medical Professions • Pre-Veterinary •

Business Administration, B.S. @ ® Accounting ©

Economics ®
Entrepreneurship ®
Event Management ©
International Business ©
Management ©

Marketing © m

Sport Management ©

Business Administration, B.S./ Three-Year Accelerated Program ${\color{orange}\overline{\mathbb{O}}}$

Chemistry, B.S. ₩ m
Biochemistry c

Community Health Education, B.S. M

Computer Science, B.S. M m

Bioinformatics C

Business Information Systems C

Electrical Engineering C

Information Technology C m

Software Development C

Education, B.S.
Early Childhood (pre-K-2)
Elementary (1-6)
Middle School (5-8)
Secondary (8-12)
Sport Coaching

English/Communications, B.A.

Broadcast Media

Creative Writing

Film Studies

Journalism

Literature

multiple multi

Environmental Studies, B.S. (1) (1) Earth Science (1)

Health Sciences, B.S. M Medical Technology C Pre-Occupational Therapy C Pre-Physical Therapy C Pre-Physician Assistant C Sports Medicine C

History, B.A. № ® Public History **®**

Writing c

Interdisciplinary Studies, B.A.

American Studies C
Cultural Studies C
Cross-Cultural & Social Justice (Cross-Cultural track)
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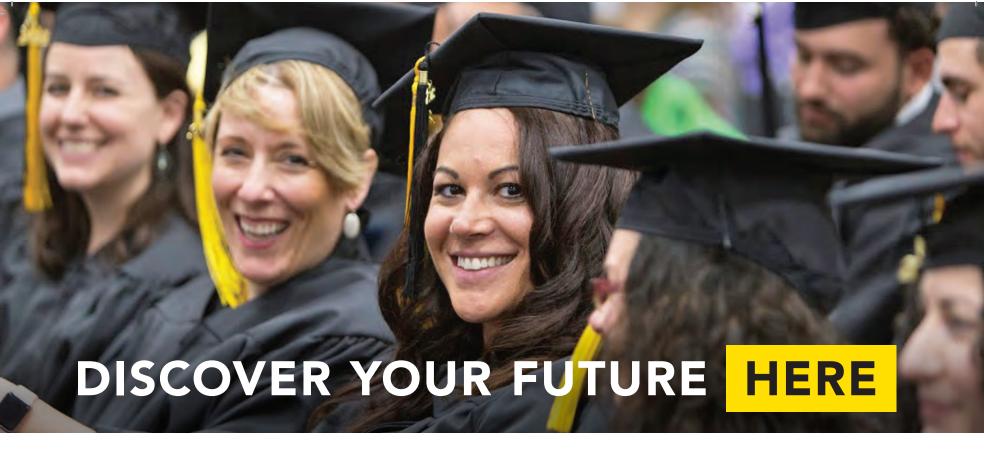
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PROGRAMS
OF STUDY

Performing Arts, B.A.
Dance
Music
Music
Music Production
Theatre
Music Production
Music Product

Political Science & Public Policy, B.A.
Political Science

Cooperative Program track)

Sociology, B.A. (1) (1) Anthropology (1) Child & Family Studies (1) Criminal Justice (1) Social Work (1) Spanish (1)



GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Master of Business Administration

Master of Education and **Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study**

Summer Leadership Program

MBA Paid for Itself in Less Than a Year

As the consumer loan coordinator for Greylock Federal Credit Union, Darrell Colvin '15 wanted to earn his Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree to benefit his career trajectory. "I was looking for a program that I could meld with my professional life and my family life. I knew I needed a hybrid model that included face-to-face time with my professors," he said.

"MCLA gives more one-on-one attention to its students, compared with some of the other schools out there."

DEGREE COMPLETION PROGRAMS

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies

(Areas of study: Children, Families and Society; Health and Human Services; Leadership and Business)

- Cohort-style learning provides peer support for the adult learner
- Complete in just over two years with year-round classes
- Classes are offered in Pittsfield
- Seven-week sessions with meetings four hours per week
- Opportunity to earn credit for life and work experience
- Financial Aid is available to those who qualify



'My Chance to Advance': **Head Start Exec Director** Lauds MCLA Degree **Completion Program**

Part of the very first cohort of MCLA's degree completion program for early childhood educators, Brett Westbrook '15 recently took the helm as the new executive director of Berkshire County Head

Start, which operates six early childhood education centers from Great Barrington to North Adams. "Joining this cohort was my chance to advance my education and still maintain the other aspects of my life."

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