

Welcome! My name is Don Tomas, and I am the President of Southwestern Community College. On behalf of the faculty and staff of the college, I welcome you.

Southwestern is now YOUR College.

Whether you are considering an associate's degree, a diploma, a certificate, or maybe just enrolling in a class or two, our campus community stands ready to assist you in achieving your educational goals.

At Southwestern, you have the opportunity to explore more than 55 programs of study. Our articulation agreements with North Carolina universities provide a cost-effective, easy transition should you decide to complete a bachelor's degree.

Flexibility in curriculum delivery is important to us. Many of your classes are offered in a variety of formats: classroom, on-line, hybrid, and ITV. In addition, you will find classes offered at our Jackson, Macon, and/or Swain campuses. At SCC, we recognize that our students fall into one of two categories: you are either a student who works or an employee who studies, and so our flexible offerings are designed to fit your life and your needs. We have a wide range of support services to enhance your classroom experience and keep you focused on academic achievement. We offer assistance with course selection, career counseling, financial aid assistance, tutoring, resources from the library, or on-demand support at the Learning Assistance Center.

The fact that you have chosen to study at Southwestern indicates to me that you are looking for a college that will provide a rigorous and rewarding curriculum while also providing the support services which will allow you to be highly successful.

Our faculty WILL challenge you. As our future leaders, SCC will prepare you with the problem-solving skills necessary to be leaders within our region and beyond. We want you to learn how to learn, to investigate problems and reach viable solutions. This process calls for hard work and commitment. Our campus community is committed to modeling these attributes as we work with you.

I am certain the decision you have made to enroll at SCC will better your future by growing your intellectual and application skills, your cultural awareness, and multiplying your employability options.

Congratulations! I know you have made the right choice by enrolling at Southwestern Community College.