

Mount Royal University Mandate

Mount Royal University is a public, board-governed institution operating as a Baccalaureate and Applied Studies Institution under the authority of the *Post-secondary Learning Act* of Alberta. Mount Royal was named a university by an Order in Council on September 2, 2009, and is governed by the public colleges section of the *Post-secondary Learning Act*.

Mount Royal University is a learning community that focuses on instruction informed by scholarship. Its mission is excellence in baccalaureate and applied degrees along with certificate and diploma programs. Mount Royal's programs prepare students to be thoughtful and informed citizens by combining liberal and applied studies and by providing graduates with opportunities for individual fulfillment, further study and employment.

Mount Royal offers programs in arts and science, nursing and health, business, communications, community studies, design, education, performing arts and aboriginal studies that lead to the following credentials and further studies:

- Baccalaureate degrees and transfer programs to prepare learners for further study and employment.
- Applied degrees to prepare learners for employment.
- Certificate and diploma programs to prepare learners for employment and lead to further studies and credentials.
- Post-secondary entrance programs that facilitate learner access to further studies.

Mount Royal University plays a pivotal role in the Campus Alberta system. It is both a sending and a receiving institution for students transferring to and from other institutions. The university also develops collaborative degree partnerships with other Alberta institutions.

Mount Royal supports scholarly activity that contributes to instructional excellence and to the cultural, social and economic well-being of the community locally, provincially, nationally and internationally.

Mount Royal students are supported by a range of services that contribute to academic, social and personal development. Student supports include library services, academic advising, learning skills development, cultural activities, career services, residence services, counseling, recreation and wellness programs. These services are designed to benefit students by increasing their opportunities for success.

Mount Royal's primary service area includes Calgary and the surrounding region. Mount Royal also serves a wider learner population provincially, nationally and internationally through face-to-face and distance delivery and through partnerships with other post-secondary institutions. Mount Royal serves its communities by creating and communicating knowledge and by meeting the needs of the labour market in fields related to its program areas.

Mount Royal University also serves its communities by providing contract training, professional development, international programming and, through its internationally recognized conservatory, music instruction particularly for younger people. Through these programs, Mount Royal enhances its commitment to continuous, lifelong learning and to global awareness in an interconnected world.

*Approved by the Deputy Premier and Minister of Advanced Education and Technology,
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