



Mesa Community College adds Jamf certification to its Apple technology course series

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Jamf certification is part of MCC's Enterprise IT Professional for Apple Technology certification, designed to help aspiring IT professionals learn how to manage Apple at work

MESA, Ariz., April 29, 2024 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Today, [Mesa Community College](#) (MCC) announced it is partnering with [Jamf](#) (NASDAQ: JAMF), the standard in managing and securing Apple at work, to bring Jamf training to MCC students and aspiring IT professionals. This critical new certification introduced through the [Maricopa Information Technology Institute \(MITI\)](#) will be added to MCC's [Enterprise IT Professional for Apple Technology](#) course series.

The IT job market is experiencing tremendous growth bringing high demand for skilled support and technical staff within the enterprise. According to the [US Department of Labor](#), jobs in computer and information systems are projected to grow faster than the average for all occupations from 2020 to 2030, as companies expand their use of technology.

Apple products are also increasingly popular in business, resulting in rising demand for IT professionals that have the specific skills required to manage iPhone, iPad, and Mac environments. In fact, Jamf reported that its [community](#) of professionals who manage Apple products at work has grown by more than 150 percent since 2017 to more than 100,000 members.

Even with this growth and the IT industry's resilience in a down economy, organizations are still struggling to fill positions with qualified workers.

"Currently the Apple Developer Enterprise Program management job market has more jobs than certified applicants," said Alvin Bridges, MCC associate vice president for [College Technology Services](#). "In just a few semesters we can change a first-generation college student into a functional Jamf administrator which can effectively change the trajectory of their lives using industry-standard tools and best practices."

MCC alumnus, Madison Rogers met Bridges during his final semester of earning an Associate in Applied Science in Graphic Design at MCC. His search for a part-time job resulted in a position as a Lab Technician in MCC's Art Department working on the Macintosh computers used by students. Bridges provided one-on-one instruction to Rogers, netting a firm grasp on Jamf functions and opening career opportunities in the IT field. Rogers now has a successful career as a System Administrator working on a systems engineering team at a local financial institution.

"When I was at MCC, AppleCare wasn't even a thing yet. Having formal training available at MCC is an incredible opportunity for so many," explained Rogers. "My experience working with Alvin at MCC was incredible – surrounded by real use cases, learning beside colleagues on the same journey. I've even hired one of my fellow 'students' to be part of my team. I knew it would be great because we learned together how to solve applications with Jamf."

Jamf's industry-leading Apple device management and security platform will be taught at MCC beginning in fall 2024; Jamf Training Foundation (BPC265). Consisting of eight weeks of instructor-led classes, training includes account provisioning, identity management, password sync, zero-touch deployment, app lifecycle management, and antivirus protection, among other solutions.

"Jamf certification is a highly sought-after skill by employers," said Diane Meza, director of MITI. "It is the most widely used Mobile Device Management (MDM) system in Apple enterprise technology. This new Jamf training is critical to the Apple Technology curriculum as it's the portion of the program that makes students employable."

Learn more about the AppleCare Technician programs at mesacc.edu/applecare or visit mesacc.edu/enroll to start the registration process.

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About Jamf

Jamf's purpose is to simplify work by helping organizations manage and secure an Apple experience that end users love and organizations trust. Jamf is the only company in the world that provides a complete management and security solution for an Apple-first environment that is enterprise secure, consumer simple and protects personal privacy. To learn more, visit www.jamf.com.

About Mesa Community College

Mesa Community College is nationally recognized for university transfer, career and technical programs, civic engagement, service-learning and innovative approaches to education. On average MCC students provide 23,000 hours of community service annually. For more than 50 years, the college has served as a resource for education, workforce development and lifelong learning. Host to more than 25,400 students annually, MCC offers degree and certificate programs at its two campuses and additional locations through a combination of modalities. MCC is transforming how it champions student success through Guided Pathways with Integrated Support Services and a commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion. MCC is a Hispanic Serving Institution with nearly 50% of its students being the first in their families to attend college. MCC has the largest indigenous student

population of all the Maricopa Community Colleges; its American Indian Institute serves students from the 22 federally recognized Arizona tribes as well as out-of-state tribes. The diverse student body includes hundreds of international students from around the world. Award-winning faculty are dedicated to student success, providing the education and training that empowers MCC students to attain their goals. Located in the East Valley of Phoenix, Arizona, on the traditional territories of the O'odham, Piipaash and Yavapai Peoples, MCC is one of 10 colleges in the Maricopa County Community College District. Visit mesacc.edu to learn more.

MCC is individually accredited by the [Higher Learning Commission \(HLC\)](http://hlcommission.org), hlcommission.org.

The Maricopa County Community College District (MCCCD) is an EEO/AA institution and an equal opportunity employer of protected veterans and individuals with disabilities. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, or national origin. A lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in the career and technical education programs of the District. MCCCD does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs or activities. For Title IX/504 concerns, call the following number to reach the appointed coordinator: (480) 731-8499. For additional information, as well as a listing of all coordinators within the Maricopa College system, visit www.maricopa.edu/non-discrimination.