STEM Starter Academy has been supporting community college STEM students earn degrees and certificates since 2014. The Department of Higher Education wants to continue to support community college students in their education as they pursue bachelor’s degrees at one of our public 4-year institutions. Students transferring from one of the fifteen community colleges in Massachusetts and transferring to a state college or university to pursue a bachelor’s degree in a STEM field are welcome to apply to a summer bridge program.

**2-TO-4 STEM TRANSFER BRIDGE PROGRAM**

Summer bridge programs will allow you the opportunity to get a jump start on your degree.

Students who participate in summer bridge will:

- Earn 3 credits that complete the MCLA capstone core curriculum requirement.
- Meet other STEM transfer students.
- Get to know the STEM faculty who will be teaching your classes in the fall.
- Know where and how to access key resources on campus

For more information and to apply:

www.mass.edu/stem/initiatives/stemacademybridge.asp

**ON-CAMPUS PROGRAM**
AUGUST 27 - 31

**ONLINE PROGRAM**
SEPTEMBER 1 - 21

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MCLA is regularly recognized for its work in elevating students' lives - and awareness of MCLA’s academic quality and student opportunities continues to grow.

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One of 26 U.S colleges with low tuition costs and high salaries for graduates  
- U.S. Department of Education

One of the top public institutions in the nation for serving black students well  
- USC Race and Equity Center

One of only a small number of Massachusetts colleges to achieve gender parity  
- The Eos Foundation

One of the 100 best colleges combining outstanding academics with affordable cost  
- Kiplinger’s Personal Finance Magazine