

Quincy College is nationally ranked as a “Best College for Adult Learners” for fourth straight year

A leader among 2-year colleges, Quincy College is named a “Best College for Adult Learners” by Washington Monthly Magazine in the 2019 College Guide and Rankings

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As the education landscape changes and more adult learners return to campus for skill building, workforce development, and educational opportunity, Quincy College continues to be a regional and national leader in higher education.

For a fourth year in a row, Quincy College is nationally and locally ranked among two-year public colleges in [Washington Monthly Magazine's 2019 College Guide and Rankings](#) annual review of American colleges and universities. Quincy College is ranked a “Best College for Adult Learners.” Washington Monthly categorizes adult learners as students over the age of twenty-five. Quincy College is ranked fourth in Massachusetts and is nationally ranked at #34. Quincy College has improved upon its 2018 ranking, moving from #36 in the nation to #34 and maintains its position as #4 in Massachusetts.

Washington Monthly provides prospective students with a tool and resource with which to critically compare higher education institutions to support the college decision making process.

Other Massachusetts two-year public colleges highlighted in the Washington Monthly ranking were #13 - North Shore Community College, #16 - Mount Wachusett Community College, #19 - Massachusetts Bay Community College, #37 - Bunker Hill Community College, #55 - Cape Cod Community College, #69 - Springfield Technical Community College, #91 - Quinsigamond Community College.

Quincy College received the highest rankings of four (out of four) for ease of transfer, eight (out of nine) for flexibility of programs, and four (out of six) for services offered to adult students. Of the Massachusetts ranked two-year public colleges, Quincy College serves the largest adult learner population with 49% of enrolled students over the age of 25.

The ranking and recognition highlights the diversity of ages present at Quincy College, from the traditional student to the adult learner. Regardless of age, the ranking reinforces that students find all the resources they need to have a successful college experience at Quincy College.

" Quincy College excels as an institution at being agile and adaptable to not only workforce needs but attentive to the educational needs of the communities we serve. We've developed comprehensive for-credit and non-credit academic programs and services to support an adult student returning to the classroom. We fully embrace lifelong learning at Quincy College, supporting students from ages 16 to 91

from all experiences and demographics. We are incredibly proud of our adult learners and look forward to continuing to deliver exemplary programs, pathways to professions, and services to help all students, regardless of age, succeed in meeting their professional and personal goals," Quincy College President Michael G. Bellotti.

Washington Monthly combined data points from the U.S. Department of Education's College Scorecard, College Board's Annual Survey of Colleges, and the IPEDS. These data sources compile national data on all higher educational institutions in the United States. For the Adult Learner ranking, Washington Monthly reviewed and qualitatively ranked national higher educational institutions into seven general measures of colleges' openness and responsiveness to adult students and rated higher education institutions across three metrics: ease of transfer, flexibility of programs and services offered for adults.

Quincy College provides all-inclusive student services such as free tutoring, financial aid, and academic advising. Dedicated staff address the needs of the adult learner and assist them in their return to the classroom.

For more information, visit: quincycollege.edu/bestinclass.

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ABOUT QUINCY COLLEGE

Founded in 1958, Quincy College is a two-year, municipally affiliated community college serving approximately 4,000 students at campuses located in Quincy and Plymouth, Massachusetts. Quincy College is an open access institution that encourages academic achievement and excellence, diversity, economic opportunity, community involvement, and lifelong learning. The College facilitates valuable learning relationships that inspire students to realize their educational and professional futures. The college offers 37 associate degree programs and 27 certificate programs in a variety of disciplines, including those within Professional Programs, Liberal Arts, and Natural & Health Sciences. The college is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, and is licensed by the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education to grant the degrees of Associate in Arts and Associate in Science. The college draws a diversity of students from the greater Boston area as well as 121 countries around the world. For additional information, visit www.quincycollege.edu

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