Rochester Community and Technical College is a comprehensive consolidated college offering occupational certificates, diplomas, and associate degrees; liberal arts/transfer associate degrees; and continuing education/customized training offerings. Students who can demonstrate ability to benefit from Rochester Community and Technical College offerings will be admitted to the College.

The basic requirement for admittance to Rochester Community and Technical College is a high school diploma or General Education Diploma (GED) certificate. A person who has neither a high school diploma nor a GED certificate may be admitted if that person demonstrates potential for collegiate success. The registrar, in consultation with other appropriate Rochester Community and Technical College staff, will make the admittance determination. The decision is appealable via the Rochester Community and Technical College appeal process. (See College Policy 3.8 - Student Grievance)

Admission to Rochester Community and Technical College does not guarantee admission to college-level courses or programs of study. Academic administrators and faculty will develop standards for admission into programs of study. Program admission decisions are appealable via the Rochester Community and Technical College appeal process.

Applicants are expected to document admission eligibility. Applicants unable to present traditional documentation of educational preparation shall be individually evaluated. International students shall be considered for admission if their scholarship preparation is judged to be equivalent to the admission requirements of the general population applicant. Lack of English skills should not be a barrier to admission or participation. In order to eliminate barriers we take appropriate measures to assess each student’s ability to participate and benefit through placement testing and counseling. Based on the assessment and counseling, students are then provided with campus services or a referral to community services to be better prepared for successful participation. However, international students who are not native speakers of English shall be required to demonstrate proficiency in English on a standardized test selected by Rochester Community and Technical College.

High school students who can demonstrate readiness for the collegiate experience, as determined by the college, may be admitted.

Students on academic suspension from another MnSCU college or university shall not be admitted during the term of their suspension unless they can demonstrate potential for success in a particular program of study to which they apply. All students will use the standard Rochester Community and Technical College application form.

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