

MISSOURI COLLEGE ACCESS NETWORK (MOCAN)

Mission

The mission of the Missouri College Access Network (MOCAN) is to increase career and college awareness, preparation, access, and completion in Missouri, particularly for the underrepresented and underserved. We do this by:

- Advocating for public and institutional policies that promote postsecondary access and success.
- Coordinating statewide career preparation and college access and success activities for service providers.
- Leveraging and connecting providers, professionals, and other stakeholders to strengthen and grow programs, and to eliminate service and equity gaps.
- Centralizing knowledge-sharing and technical training for career and college program providers.
- Identifying, summarizing, and actively sharing standardized data collection measures and relevant research regarding career preparation and college access and success.
- Fostering a collective voice to communicate postsecondary educational and training opportunities to all people in Missouri.

Vision and Values

We believe that success in college and career begins in K-12, but can be achieved at any point.

We use the term “college” to refer to the attainment of valuable postsecondary credentials beyond high school, including technical certificates and academic degrees.

We believe that postsecondary opportunity and attainment are a public good critical to create a just and equitable society, robust economy, and healthy communities.