# **Mt. Hood Community College**

# Brand Standards Guide



# MHCC Identity Usage Guidelines

These guidelines were created to provide a more cohesive look for Mt. Hood Community College and to assist in becoming familiar with the identity of the college and the use of its components. These guidelines are for Mt. Hood Community College and its programs, employees, and other affiliated entities. Outside agencies, organizations, and pubic entities that seek to produce materials for Mt. Hood Community College and its programs are asked to use the guidelines described here, and should obtain permission from District Communications PRIOR to publication or production.

#### **MHCC LOGO**

The Official Mt. Hood Community College logo is a red mountain with the words "Mt. Hood" centered under the mountain horizontally on the first line, and smaller the words "Community College" centered on the second line. The college logo consists of the mountain and wordmark(s) together. The integrity of the logo should always be maintained. The mountain must not appear without the wordmark.

The logo incorporates unique features and typography and may not be redrawn, reconstructed, distorted or modified in any way.

#### **COLOR**

The Mt. Hood Community College logo should be reproduced with the mountain in red (PMS 186) and letters in black except under special circumstances. If your publication contains black and does not contain red, you may use a black version of the logo. The mountain should always appear in Mt. Hood Red (PMS 186) or black.













**STAND-OFF DISTANCE:** All logos (and wordmarks) have larger invisible borders that serve as minimum standoff distances. Do not place anything within this border.





Example of violated stand-off distance.

#### **POSITION**

The Mt. Hood logo should appear prominently on the front of every publication and official document. The exact position of the logo will depend on the design of the publication. A minimum stand-off distance from the logo should be maintained. Do not place any element, type or object within this area so as to allow the logo to communicate.

#### STAND-OFF DISTANCE AND PROPORTIONS

The shape of the Mt. Hood logo is triangular in nature, but must be treated as if it appears in a rectangle form. No elements must intrude upon the space of the logo. Do not attempt to alter the dimensions or proportion of the logo, individual wordmark or their relationship to each other. In most software applications, holding the shift key down while sizing maintains the proper ratios.

#### **BACKGROUNDS**

As a general rule, the logo may not appear in any other color, or percentage of color (for the purposes of a background element or watermark). The logo and wordmark must appear in their full (100%) approved color schemes. When necessary, a reversed logo (all white, or red mountain with white letters) is available when no other version of the logo would reproduce adequately.

# **Approved MHCC Identity Marks**

The following marks are the only approved, official identifying marks for Mt. Hood Community College.







Approved vertical marks.





Approved reversed colors.







## **Approved Tag-line Usage**

The approved font for "Be Your Dream" is Myriad Pro Bold, in title case.

# Be Your Dream Be Your Dream

# Approved Athletic Saints Logo

The Saints logo should always appear in conjunction with the MHCC logo and may be used with or without the dog.



Home of the

**SAINTS** 

Approved horizontal marks.

### **Approved MHCC Stationery**

College letterhead, envelopes, and business cards have been standardized to project a unified image of Mt. Hood Community College's identity. Each college department and program will use the standard college letterhead, business card and envelope formats.

- > Requests for customized variations will not be accepted by District Communications.
- ➤ All standard college stationery should be ordered through District Communications.



Approved MHCC personal business card.





Approved MHCC department business card.

Templates for standard correspondence on college letterhead are on the "PUB" drive: S-Drive / Forms / General / College Letterhead /. The templates allow for personalization by college departments and programs.

Approved #10 MHCC envelope.



#### YOUR DEPARTMENT/OFFICE

Your N. Name Your Title

503-491-xxxx • Fax 503-491-xxxx your.email@mhcc.edu



Approved MHCC letterhead.

# **Approved Master Creative Usage**





## **Approved Font Usage**

Approved college fonts are members of the Myriad Pro font family.

Myriad Pro Light

Myriad Pro Light Italic

Myriad Pro Regular

Myriad Pro Italic

Myriad Pro Semibold

Myriad Pro Semibold Italic

**Myriad Pro Bold** 

Myriad Pro Bold Italic

Myriad Pro Black

Myriad Pro Black Italic

Myriad Pro Light Semicondensed

Myriad Pro Light Semicondensed Italic

Myriad Pro Semicondensed

Myriad Pro Semicondensed Italic

Myriad Pro Semibold Semicondensed

Myriad Pro Semibold Semicondensed Italic

Myriad Pro Bold Semicondensed

Myriad Pro Bold Semicondensed Italic

Myriad Pro Black Semicondensed

Myriad Pro Black Semicondensed Italic

Myriad Pro Light Condensed

Myriad Pro Light Condensed Italic

Myriad Pro Condensed

Myriad Pro Condensed Italic

Myriad Pro Semibold Condensed

Myriad Pro Semibold Condensed Italic

**Myriad Pro Bold Condensed** 

Myriad Pro Bold Condensed Italic

**Myriad Pro Black Condensed** 

Myriad Pro Black Condensed Italic

# **Approved College Color Palette**

Approved college color palette.

Brighter colors for pop.



Darker Red **PMS 187** CMYK 23/100/88/15



Red **PMS 186** CMYK 12/100/91/3



Dark Sage Green PMS 445 CMYK 69/54/54/30



Blue **PMS 2925** CMYK 77/25/0/0



Light Sage Green PMS 444 CMYK 59/42/45/10



Green **PMS 3268**CMYK
90/3/58/0



Copper Brown CMYK **PMS 4715** 35/58/64/15



Copper **PMS 7413** CMYK 9/57/92/1



Dusty Purple PMS 437 CMYK 51/57/48/17



Purple **PMS 2583** CMYK 41/74/0/0



Black 35/0/30/100



Black 35/0/30/100

## **College Writing Style Guide**

Mt. Hood Community College adheres to Associated Press (AP) style in its official marketing materials and publications regardless of form factor (print, digital, etc.). Instances that divert from AP style are included in the following style guide.

#### **Referencing Mt. Hood Community College**

- **1.** Always spell Mt. Hood Community College (NOT Mount Hood). When referring to the mountain always spell out Mount Hood (not Mt. Hood).
- 2. Writing the name of the College

**Correct:** Mt. Hood Community College or MHCC

Incorrect: Mt. Hood CC, Mt. Hood

- **3.** On first reference always write Mt. Hood Community College (MHCC) then the abbreviation MHCC may be used in subsequent references.
- **4.** Gresham Campus, Bruning Center, Maywood Park Center. It is the Gresham Campus NOT the Main Campus. Capitalize Campus.
- **5.** Use an with MHCC: This is an MHCC production.
- 6. Lowercase college: The college is located in Gresham.
- 7. The college address should be written, 26000 S.E. Stark St. Gresham, OR 97030

#### **Common College Vocabulary**

1. Referring to a division or program – Always upper case the division or program name, but lowercase the word "division" or "program." Examples: Social Science division and Nursing program. This also includes references to a particular program when it is implied:

Correct: The Theatre Arts [program] instructor, John Smith will be at... Correct: John Smith, the Theatre Arts [program] instructor, will be at. Note "instructor" is lowercase even if it appears before the instructor's name; see item two in this list.

2. Referencing room numbers on the Gresham Campus – Use AC (Academic Center), capitalize the word "Room" when it appears with the room number. The event will be held in Room AC2398. (No space between AC and room number.)

- **3.** When listing programs, companies, etc. where there is no clear hierarchy, always alphabetize Engineering, Medical Office, Nursing and Surgical Technology programs.
- 4. Use adviser not advisor.
- **5.** GED®: GED is now a registered trademark. Do not spell out.
- **6.** GPA: No periods. Spell out on first reference, grade point average and then use GPA.

#### **MHCC** exceptions to AP Style

childcare - one word

database - one word

healthcare - one word

pre-register - hyphenated word

theater/theatre - use theatre in ALL references

#### Web addresses

Use http://only when the address does not have www in its address.

**Correct:** *mhcc.edu* (no need for *www when using mhcc.edu*)

**Correct:** http://home.comcast.net

#### ampersand (&)

Avoid, except where it is part of a company's official title.

**ASAP** All caps, no periods for the abbreviation for "as soon as possible."

#### board

Capitalize when an integral part of a proper name: MHCC District Board of Education.

The board of education meets on Wednesday.

He is a member of the board.

#### **bullets**

Don't use periods after a bullet point, whether a complete sentence or not.

- > Washing dishes
- > Mopping floors
- > Cleaning counters
- > Polishing silver

#### class

Capitalize alumni classes: Class of '63 or Class of 1990. Do not capitalize class years: freshman, sophomore, junior, senior.

#### comma

Commas are always placed inside quotation marks. "I don't know where she went," said Jackie.

There is no comma at the end of a series before the word "and." She enjoys swimming, singing, eating and driving.

#### email

Never hyphenate.

#### fundraising, fundraise, fundraiser

In all instances it is one word.

#### Internet

Capitalize Internet.

#### months

When a specific month is used with a specific date, abbreviate only Jan., Feb., Aug., Sept., Oct., Nov. and Dec. Spell out when using alone or with a year alone: Jan. 3, 2009, January 2009. It is not necessary to include the year if referencing something happening in the current year.

When a phrase uses only a *month* and a *year*, do not separate the year with commas, i.e., January 2019.

Use a comma following the day and date even if the year isn't used.

**Correct:** Tuesday, June 5, and Wednesday, June 6, are the dates.

#### numbers

Spell out numbers from one to nine; use numerals for all higher numbers. However.

spell out a numeral at the beginning of a sentence. If necessary, rewrite the sentence. There is one exception — a numeral that identifies a calendar year.

**Correct:** Last year 993 freshmen entered the college. **Incorrect:** 993 freshmen entered the college last year.

Correct: 1976 was a very good year.

#### offline

No hyphen, it is an exception to Webster's New World College Dictionary.

#### online

One word in all cases for the computer connection term.

#### period

When typing, use one space after a period.

#### phone numbers

Acceptable formats 503-555-1212 not 503.555.1212 Write extensions as ext. 234, not x234.

#### seasons

Lowercase spring, summer, fall and winter; spring term, summer 2010.

#### time

Use figures except for noon and midnight.

Always lowercase and use periods in a.m. and p.m.

Include a space between the time and the a.m. or p.m.

Use a colon to separate hours from minutes.

Do not include minutes if referencing something beginning at the top of the hour.

**Correct:** 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 3:30 p.m. **Incorrect:** 11a.m., 1 PM, 3 30 p.m. **Incorrect:** 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m.

If the time begins and ends in the a.m. or p.m., do not list a.m. or p.m. after

each time.

**Correct:** 9:10 a.m. or 7 to 10 p.m.

#### time, cont.,

It an event begins in the morning and ends in the afternoon, use a.m. and p.m.

**Correct:** 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

#### titled/entitled

Use entitled to mean a right to do or have something. Do not use it to mean titled.

**Correct:** *She was entitled to the promotion.* 

**Correct:** The book was titled "Gone With the Wind."

#### Web and the World Wide Web

Capitalize.

#### website

Always one word, not capitalized.

#### who/that

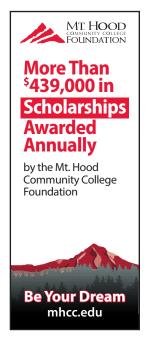
Use *that* in referring to inanimate objects, use *who* for references to human beings and animals.

# Approved Retractable Banner Templates

Examples of retractable, "pop-up" banners that follow the MHCC brand.







### **Approved Poster Templates**

Examples of posters that follow the MHCC brand.













## **Approved Flier Templates**

Examples of fliers that follow the MHCC brand.



## **Approved Brochure Templates**

Examples of brochures that follow the MHCC brand.







## **Approved Nameplates**

Examples of nameplates that follow the MHCC brand.





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Director of Single-line Titles



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