

# PERSONNEL & CREDENTIALS

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Assessment Coordinator

A.A. – Cloud County Community College

B.A. – Washburn University

Aten, Shawn

Director of Physical Resources

A.S., Pre-Engineering - Mid-Plains Community College

B.S. - University of Nebraska at Kearney

Barner, Becky

Career Services Coordinator

B.S. – Wayne State College

M.B.A. – Regis University

Blagdon, Josh

Systems Administrator

A.A.S. – Mid-Plains Community College

Brandl, Jacob

Success Coach

NPCC Head Men's Basketball Coach

A.A. - Mid Plains Community College

B.A. - Midland University

M.A. - Dakota Wesleyan University

Brandes, Mandy

Business and Community Education Coordinator

B.S. - University of Nebraska - Kearney

Brookson, Warren

Dean of Enrollment

A.S. - Waubonsee Community College

B.A. - Aurora University

M.Ed. - North Arizona University

Brown, Erinn

Director of Financial Aid

B.A. – Concordia College

M.B.A. – University of Nebraska – Lincoln

Brown, Randy

Network Administrator

CCNA - Cisco Certified Network Administrator

A.A.S. – Mid-Plains Community College

Cleveland, Will

Motor School Coordinator

Class A CDL with endorsements

Conroy, Rachel

Director of Recruiting and Admissions

A.S. - Mid-Plains Community College

B.S. - Bellevue University

Denny, Katy

Enrollment Coach

A.S. - Mid-Plains Community College

B.A. - Bellevue University

Edson, Jennifer

Valentine Campus Administrator

B.A. - University of Colorado

M.A. - Middlebury College

Erikson, Kade

Assistant Director of Residence Life

A.A. - Mid-Plains Community College

B.S. - Bellevue University

Gonzalez, Eric

Staff Accountant

A.A. - Strayer University

B.B.A. - Strayer University

Hargrove, Dillon

Career Coach

MCC Head Men's Basketball Coach

B.A. - Arkansas Tech University

Heinz, Brady

Systems Analyst

A.S. - Mid-Plains Community College

Hopkinson, Genevieve

Assistant Director of Residence Life

MCC Volleyball Assistant Coach

A.S. - Mid-Plains Community College

B.S. - Missouri Valley College

Horne, Susan

Director of Advising

B.S. - Chadron State College

M.A.Ed. - Chadron State College

Jairam, Dr. Dharma

Dean of Business & Humanities

B.A. - Keuka College

M.Ed. - University of New York at Buffalo

Ph.D. - University of Nebraska at Lincoln

Johnson, Kaci

Broken Bow Campus Administrator

B.A.E. – University of Nebraska at Kearney

Kaai, Aukai

Technical Enrollment Coach

MPCC Rodeo Rough Stock Coach

A.S. - Mid-Plains Community College

B.S. - Colorado State University

Kircher, Sharon

Director of Business and Community Education

A.A. – Mid-Plains Community College

B.A. – Bellevue University

M.S. – Bellevue University

Knott, Gail

Dean of Outreach and Training

B.A. – Benedictine College

M.S. - University of Nebraska-Kearney

Kobza, Hayley

Enrollment Coach

MCC Head Volleyball Coach

A.S.- Howard College

B.A. – Southwestern Oklahoma State University

M.Ed. – Southwestern Oklahoma State University

Ledall, Brenda  
Imperial Campus Administrator  
B.S. – University of Northern Colorado

Mendenhall, Mike  
Success Coach  
MCC Softball Head Coach  
A.A. - Northeastern Junior College  
B.S. - Bellevue University  
B.S. - Fort Hayes State University  
M.C.A.A. - Concordia University

Merchant, Robert  
Research Analyst  
A.S. - Mid-Plains Community College  
B.S. - Chardon State College

Molcyk, Joy  
Director of EMT/Paramedic Program  
B.S. – University of Nebraska – Kearney  
Licensed EMS Instructor/BLS Instructor  
Certified in ACLS, AMLS, PALS, PHTLS, TCCC, NRP  
Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor

Molcyk, Robert  
Accelerated EMT/Paramedic Program Coordinator  
B.S. – University of Nebraska – Kearney  
Nationally Registered EMT-Paramedic Level  
Certified CPR Instructor – AHA & ASHI  
State of Nebraska – EMS Instructor/Educator  
Certified in ACLS, AMLS, PALS & PHTLS

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Director of Physical Resources  
A.A. – Manhattan Area Vocational-Technical School

Morgan, Jennifer  
Activities Director  
B.A. – University of Nebraska – Lincoln

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Director of Student Success  
B.S. – Fort Hays State University  
M.S. – Kansas State University

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Director of Systems Innovation  
B.S. - University of Nebraska - Lincoln  
M.B.A. - Doane University

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Nursing Support Coordinator  
LPN – Colby Community College  
RN-MPCC-McCook  
M.S. - Western Governors University

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Dean of Student Life  
B.A. – Colorado State University  
M.S. – Colorado State University  
Ph.D. – The University of Texas

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B.M.S. - University of Nebraska at Omaha  
M.S.O.M. - Peru State College

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A.A. – Mid-Plains Community College  
B.A. – Chadron State College  
M.S. – Nebraska Methodist College

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Director of Accounting  
B.B.A. - Abilene Christian University

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Director of Institutional Effectiveness  
B.S. – Wayne State College  
M.S. – Auburn University

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Ogallala Campus Administrator  
A.A. – MPCC North Platte  
B.S. – University of Nebraska at Kearney

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Assistant Director of Advising  
MCC Head Women’s Basketball Coach  
B.S. – Northern Arizona University  
M.S.S. - United States Sports Academy

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President  
B.S. – NE Wesleyan University  
M.B.A. – Chadron State College

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Assistant Director of Student Leadership & Engagement  
NPCC Assistant Volleyball Coach  
A.S. - Mid-Plains Community College  
B.A. - Hastings College

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Early Entry Coordinator  
B.S. - Tulane University  
M.S. - Pittsburg State University

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Director of Adult Education & ADA  
A.A. – Eastern Wyoming College  
B.S. – Chadron State College

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Dean of Science, Math, Health & Applied Technology  
B.S. - Chadron State College  
MA.E. - Chadron State College

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Vice President for Student Affairs and McCook Community College  
B.A. – Concordia University  
M.S. – University of Nebraska - Kearney

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Director of Career Services  
B.S. - University of Nebraska-Lincoln  
M.A. - University of Nebraska-Kearney

M.S. - University of Nebraska-Kearney

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Assistant Director of Safety & Security  
B.S. - Liberty University

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Systems Analyst  
A.G.S – Northeastern Junior College  
B.S. – University of Wyoming

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Business and Community Education Coordinator  
A.A. – Mid-Plains Community College  
B.F.A. – University of Nebraska - Lincoln

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Director of Institutional Advancement  
B.A. - University of Nebraska - Lincoln  
M.S. - University of Denver

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Vice-President of Administrative Services  
B.S. – University of Nebraska – Lincoln  
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Registrar  
A.A. - Mid-Plains Community College  
B.G.S. - University of Nebraska - Omaha

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Director of Marketing & Public Relations  
B.A. - Hastings College  
M.Ed. - Midland University

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Coordinator of Residence Life  
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Assistant Director of Student Engagement  
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B.S. - University of Nebraska at Kearney

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Director of Safety and Security  
B.A. - Chadron State College

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Asst. Activities Director  
NPCC Head Women's Basketball Coach  
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B.A. - Western Illinois University  
M.S. - Western Illinois University

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Director of Early Entry and Program Development  
A.A. - Carl Sandburg College  
B.A. - Western Illinois University  
M.S. - Western Illinois University

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Vice-President for Academic Affairs & NPCC  
A.A.S. – Metropolitan Community College  
B.S. – Bellevue University  
M.Ed. – University of Nebraska – Lincoln  
Ph.D. – Iowa State University

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Director of Library Resources  
B.A. - Colorado State University  
M.L.S. - University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee

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Director of Information Systems  
A.A.S. – Southeast Community College  
A.A.S. – Mid-Plains Community College  
B.S. – Bellevue University

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Director of Human Resources  
A.A.S. – Mid-Plains Community College  
B.A. – University of Nebraska at Kearney  
M.P.S. HR Management - Fort Hayes State University

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Motor School Program Coordinator  
A.A.S. - Northeastern Junior College

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Business and Community Education Coordinator  
Certified, International Society of Fire Service Instructors

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Nurse Educator  
Clinical Coordinator  
A.A. – Mid-Plains Community College  
M.S.N – Walden University

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Nurse Educator  
B.S.N. – Bryan College of Health Sciences  
M.S.N. – Bryan College of Health Sciences

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Biology Instructor  
B.S. – Brigham Young University  
M.S. – Brigham Young University

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Mathematics Instructor  
A.A. – McCook Community College  
B.S. – Kearney State College  
M.S. – University of Nebraska – Kearney

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Sociology Instructor  
B.S. - Lander University  
M.A. - University of South Carolina - Columbia  
Ph.D. - University of South Carolina - Columbia

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Business/Office Tech Instructor  
B.S. – University of Nebraska-Lincoln  
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B.S.C – University of Minnesota  
Ph.D. – University of Montana

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B.S. – Bradley University, Illinois  
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Ph.D. – University of Tennessee – Knoxville

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A.A. – Mid-Plains Community College  
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Diesel Instructor  
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Business/Office Tech Instructor  
B.S. – Wayne State College  
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Building Construction Instructor  
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Mathematics/Physics Instructor  
BS – Brigham Young University  
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FACS Instructor  
B.S. – Kearney State College  
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Nurse Educator  
LPN Diploma - Mid-Plains Community College  
A.D.N. - Mid-Plains Community College  
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Ed.D. – Clarkson College – Omaha

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Theater Instructor  
B.A. Chadron State College  
M.A. Kansas State University

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AWS (American Welding Society)  
CWI (Certified Welding Inspector)

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Dental Assisting Instructor/Program Director  
A.A.S. - Mid-Plains Community College

A.S. - Mid-Plains Community College  
B.S. - Peru State College

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Nurse Educator  
A.D.N. - Mid-Plains Community College  
B.S.N. - Walden University  
M.S.N. - Walden University

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M.F.A. – Winthrop University

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Theatre/Speech Instructor  
B.A. - University of California  
M.F.A. - Ohio University  
M.A. - Northern Illinois University

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Nurse Educator Director  
LPN – MPCC - North Platte  
ADN – Colby Community College - Kansas  
BSN – UNMC – Omaha  
MSN – Clarkson College – Omaha  
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Auto Body Instructor  
A.A.S. - Mid-Plains Community College

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Tech Diploma – Auto Mechanics – MPCC – North Platte  
ASE Certified Automobile Technician

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B.S. - University of Nebraska - Kearney  
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Math Instructor  
B.S. – University of Wisconsin  
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Automotive Instructor  
A.A.S. – MPCC – North Platte  
ASE Certified Automobile Technician  
ASE Certified Advanced Level Technician  
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 B.F.A – University of Nebraska - Kearney  
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 Psychology Instructor  
 A.A. – Mid-Plains Community College  
 B.A. – Chadron State College  
 M.S. – Walden University  
 M.A. – Arizona State University

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 Nurse Educator  
 B.S.N. – Marian College  
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 A.A.S. – MPCC – North Platte  
 Refrigeration Service Engineers Society CM status  
 Refrigeration Service Engineers Society Refrigerant usage  
 North American Technical Excellence-A/C, Heat Pump, Gas Furnace  
 National Center Construction Education Research Certified Instructor  
 ESCO Institute Proctor

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 English Instructor  
 B.A. – University of Nebraska at Lincoln  
 B.A.in Ed – University of Nebraska at Kearney  
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 Biology Instructor  
 B.S. – University of Nebraska-Lincoln  
 Ph.D. – Mayo Graduate School of Medicine

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 English Instructor  
 BA – Nazareth College  
 MA – DePaul University  
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 B.S. – Franklin University  
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 M.S. – Dakota State University

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 Accounting Instructor  
 B.A. & B.S. - University of Nebraska - Kearney  
 M.Ed. - Doane College  
 M.P.A. - Metropolitan State University of Denver

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 Mathematics Instructor  
 B.S. - Doane College  
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M.Ed. - Doane College

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 Mathematics Instructor  
 NPCC Head Volleyball Coach  
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 M.S. - Nicholls State University

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 Chemistry Instructor  
 A.S. – Lincoln Land Community College  
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 Ph.D. – Southern Illinois University – Carbondale

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 Biology Instructor  
 B.S. - Doane College  
 M.S. - University of Nebraska - Kearney

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 Business Instructor  
 B.S. – Fort Hays State University  
 M.S. – Emporia State University

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 Business Instructor  
 B.A. – Fort Hays State University  
 M.L.S. – Fort Hays State University

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 Business Instructor  
 B.S. – New Mexico State University  
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 Math/Physical Education Instructor  
 NPCC Athletic Director  
 A.A. – MPCC – North Platte  
 B.S. – Kearney State College  
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Olsen, Jon  
 Physical Education Instructor  
 MCC Athletic Director  
 MCC Men's Baseball Coach  
 A.A. – Colby Community College  
 B.S. – Wheaton College  
 M.S. - Emporia State University

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 Nurse Educator  
 A.D.N. - Mid-Plains Community College  
 B.S.N. - Chamberlain College of Nursing  
 M.S.N. - Chamberlain College of Nursing

Perry, Jamie  
 MLT Instructor/Program Director  
 B.S. - Chadron State College  
 B.S. - University of Nebraska Medical Center  
 M.B.A. - Bellevue University

Pfeifer, Cassandra Dr.  
 English Instructor  
 A.A. - Rock Valley College

B.A. - Northern Illinois University  
M.A. - University of Texas  
Ph.D. - University of Louisiana at Lafayette

Pilakowski, Melissa Dr.  
English Instructor  
B.S. - University of Nebraska-Lincoln  
M.F.A. - University of Nebraska - Omaha  
M.S. - Chadron State College  
Ed.D. - University of Nebraska - Lincoln

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Speech Instructor  
A.S. - Oklahoma City Community College  
B.S. - University of Nebraska - Lincoln  
M.P.A. - University of Nebraska - Omaha  
Ph.D. - University of North Dakota

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Graphic Design/Visual Communications Instructor  
B.A. - Wellesley College  
MA.E - Chadron State College

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Agriculture Business Instructor  
B.S - Kansas State University  
M.S. - Colorado State University

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Nurse Educator  
B.S.N. - Bryan College of Health Sciences  
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B.M.Ed - University of Nebraska - Lincoln  
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Welding/Machining Instructor  
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Mathematics Instructor  
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Building Construction Instructor  
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B.S. - Eastern Michigan University  
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