

# COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY CATALOG, 2018-2019

## How to Use This Catalog

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This catalog is designed to assist all types of students - those considering college for the first time, those thinking of transferring from a community college or four-year institution, and those already attending Colorado Mesa University - in choosing the program of study that best fits their aspirations and goals. It includes information about admissions guidelines, financial aid, and academic requirements to allow students to make educated decisions about their futures. This catalog also describes aspects of student life at CMU, opportunities for personal growth outside the classroom, and procedures and policies pertinent to a student's success at CMU.

For those thinking about applying to Colorado Mesa University, the following steps may be helpful:

1. Review the Areas of Study (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/areas-study>) offered at Colorado Mesa University, and select disciplines that fall within an area of interest. From here, programs offered within each discipline can be reviewed.
2. See the Programs A-Z (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/programs>) section or link to a program listed in the chosen discipline(s) in Areas of Study (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/areas-study>) for details on each specific program of interest. Program pages provide detailed program requirements, suggested plans of study, and contact information.
3. Look up course descriptions (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/course-descriptions>) for some of the courses listed in the program requirements. Courses that fulfill the CMU essential learning degree requirements are provided under Requirements for Baccalaureate Degrees (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/requirements-undergraduate-degrees-certificates/requirements-degrees/baccalaureate/essential-learning>).
4. Finally, once programs of interest have been selected, see Undergraduate Admission Information (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/undergraduate-admission-information>) or Graduate Information and Programs (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/graduate-information-programs>) to learn more about the application process and requirements; Tuition, Fees, Residence Life and Student Accounts (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/tuition-fees-residence-life-student-accounts>) and Scholarships and Financial Aid (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/scholarships-financial-aid>) to learn more about tuition, expenses, financial aid, and housing; and Academic and Student Services, Offices and Activities (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/academic-student-services-offices-activities>) to learn about student academic support, activities and services at Colorado Mesa University.

For those who are already students at Colorado Mesa University, this catalog is helpful for the following:

- Choose a major (follow Steps 1, 2, and 3 above.) Once you've declared a major contact the appropriate department to meet with your faculty advisor. If undeclared, contact the IRIS Advising Center (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/academic-student-services-offices-activities/#text>) to meet with an academic advisor and discuss options.
- Keep track of your academic progress (review the requirements for the selected program of study (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/programs>) and track progress in DegreeWorks).
- Review courses, both required and elective, in Course Descriptions (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/course-descriptions>).
- Review degree requirements and essential learning courses under the requirements applicable to the selected Undergraduate (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/requirements-undergraduate-degrees-certificates>) or Graduate (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/graduate-information-programs>) degree type.

To learn more about career opportunities and programs of study available at Colorado Mesa University, you might also wish to review information provided on our Academics (<https://www.coloradomesa.edu/academics>) page and in the Two-Year Course Planning Calendar/Matrix (<https://www.coloradomesa.edu/academic-affairs/documents/combined-final-matrix.pdf>).

## Accreditation Statement

Colorado Mesa University (CMU) is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC)

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Verification of CMU's status can be found on the HLC web site (<https://www.hlcommission.org/Directory-of-HLC-Institutions.html>). Additional details on CMU's HLC and program-specific state and national agency accreditation is provided in the Overview of Colorado Mesa University (<http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/about-colorado-mesa-university/overview-cmu>).

## HEOA (Higher Education Opportunity Act) and Gainful Employment Institution Disclosure Information

In compliance with the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008, information about Colorado Mesa University is available on the University's website (<https://www.coloradomesa.edu/institutional-research/heoa-disclosures.html>). Information disclosed includes program information, physical plant facilities, faculty information, financial aid and textbook information, as well as student-right-to-know information.

In compliance with revisions to the Student Assistance General Provisions regulations to improve disclosure of relevant information and to establish minimal measures for determining whether certain postsecondary educational programs lead to gainful employment in recognized occupations- information about gainful employment is also available on the University's website (<https://www.coloradomesa.edu/gainful-employment>).

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More information on departments, programs, and academic resources, including contact information, can also be found on the CMU Academics (<http://coloradomesa.edu/academics>) web page.