

DALE K. NESBARY, PD.D.**President, Muskegon Community College**

Dale K. Nesbary, Ph.D. has served as President of Muskegon Community College since 2009. Since then, MCC has been named best community college in Michigan, in 2017 by BestColleges.com and in 2021 by Intellegent.com. The College raised record amounts of grants, gifts, and community funding in support of \$55 million infrastructure investment, the largest since opening its main campus in 1967. These include our \$14.1 million Health and Wellness Center, built from the ground up as a working emergency hospital and housing a community facing health clinic, both of which were placed in service during the recent COVID-19 pandemic. The College also boasts many accomplished academic programs including perennially nationally ranked nursing programs, and two performance groups (West Michigan Concert Winds and the MCC Collegiate Singers) having recently performed in the Isaac Stern Auditorium of New York's famed Carnegie Hall.



Prior to MCC, Dr. Nesbary served as Vice President and Dean for Academic Affairs at Adrian College and as Associate Professor and Director of the Master of Public Administration Program at Oakland University. He also served as Research Director and Technical Services Director with the Boston Police Department, as well as leadership positions with City of Boston central administration. Previously, he held positions with the National Conference of State Legislatures in Denver, Colorado, and the Michigan Senate Fiscal Agency.

He has published three books and over 30 academic papers primarily in finance, technology, and policing. He completed his Ph.D. in Law, Policy and Society at Northeastern University, a Master of Public Administration degree from Western Michigan University and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Michigan State University.

He serves on numerous boards, including as Immediate Past Chair of the Michigan Community College Association Board, Chair of the Trinity Health System Michigan Regional Board and Talent 2025. Previous service includes the Center for Community College Student Engagement (CCCSE) Board, the American Council on Education Fellows Executive Board, the American Association of Community Colleges Workforce Commission and is a silver life member of the NAACP.

In 2021, he was the first recipient of the Community Foundation for Muskegon County's Impact Award in recognition of his exceptional work to advance education, foster a dynamic local economy, and promote prosperity for all in Muskegon County. He also received the 2021 Muskegon BEAT Living Legend Award, presented by the Muskegon-based radio station 103.7 The Beat. for the impact of his actions and body of work in the community.

He resides in Muskegon, Michigan with his beautiful wife of 42 years, Connie. He is the proud father of two adult children, Nicole and Matthew. His interests include baking bread, making jams, and trombone playing.