

June 2025 Greetings from New Ulm!

All of us at MLC – faculty and staff– are looking forward to seeing you in August as, together, we start a new school year. Yes, as I write this, I understand that beautiful summer weeks still stretch out in front of us, but I'm sending this letter to help you start thinking about August and the move to New Ulm, Minnesota, for your studies at MLC!

COMMUNICATION: You have already received an MLC email address. Please access this email account immediately, because this is how the college will communicate with you from this point forward. Professor Rachel Renno has provided all of our new students with an online way to orient themselves to the computer network, the MLC Portal, Moodle, etc. If you have problems accessing this technology orientation material, please complete a support ticket here.

NEW STUDENT CHECKLIST: You are now probably very familiar with the MLC New Student Checklist. Please make sure that your boxes are all checked! If you aren't familiar with this Checklist or have questions about the forms, please call the Admissions Office at 507-354-8221, ext. 280, or email admissions@mlc-wels.edu.

THE STUDENT HANDBOOK: The college publishes *The Student Handbook* on our website at https://mlc-wels.edu/student-life/handbook-home/. Our policies are broken down into easy-to-navigate categories. I encourage you to read through the policies before your arrival on campus so that you know all about housing and parking policies, campus services, college policies, etc.

Please note that by enrolling at MLC, you accept the campus guidelines detailed in *The Student Handbook*. These guidelines serve to help the 750+ students, faculty, and staff members live and work together in a God-pleasing, sensible, careful, and courteous manner. **Read through** <u>The Student Handbook</u>, know what is expected of you as an MLC student, and understand what you can expect from the people around you.

OPENING SERVICE & FIRST DAY: Classes will begin on <u>Monday, August 25th</u>, with an Opening Worship Service that morning. We will celebrate our forgiveness and fellowship in Christ during that opening service, and new faculty members will be installed/ordained.

UNANSWERED QUESTIONS: Browsing through the <u>New Student website</u> and the <u>Non-Traditional On-Campus Students website</u>, if applicable, may help to answer some of your questions. But if you have questions that remain unanswered, please ask! You may call my office at 1-507-354-8221, ext. 289, call/text my cell phone at 507-217-9764, or email me at <u>schoneil@mlc-wels.edu</u>.

IMPORTANT! If you are led not to attend MLC in the fall, please let the Admissions team know right away by emailing admissions@mlc-wels.edu. Your notice will help us make better and more timely plans for the new school year.

New Ulm—and MLC's campus—is a lush, green garden in the summertime! But what makes this an especially beautiful place is the people God brings and gathers here as he works with us and through us to prepare candidates for the Gospel ministry. You are a gift to God's people, and all of us at MLC are thankful for the opportunity to work with you. See you in August!

Your servant in Christ Jesus,

Pastor Jeffrey Schone

Vice President for Student Life

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