

# Dick Shaink

## Class of 1962



- According to Dick, “Jackson Community College has had a tremendous influence on my success and happiness in so many ways: I met my wife Sally Lusk, earned my first college degree (Associate of Arts, Class of 1962), began my career in community college administration, and realized and strengthened my leadership philosophy.”

## Major accomplishments include:

- Earning his Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts, and Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) from Michigan State University.
- Serving as a business, management, and marketing instructor at Ingham Intermediate School District’s Capitol Area Career Center (full-time) and at Lansing Community College, Michigan State University and Ferris State University (part-time).
- A background in business to include positions as an industrial salesman (St. Louis, MO) and as general manager, Meridian Mall (Okemos, MI).
- A career in community college administration that began with positions as director, Job Training Institute, and executive director, Center for Small Business and Entrepreneurial Development at Jackson Community College.
- Also held positions as dean, Kalamazoo Valley Community College (Kalamazoo, MI); vice president, Metropolitan Community College (Omaha, NE); campus president, Central Community College (Columbus, NE); and president and chief executive officer, C.S. Mott Community College (Flint, MI).
- Recipient of the 2010 Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) 2010 Marie Y. Martin Chief Executive Officer Award, an honor recognizing the top community college president/CEO in North America.
- Selected to participate in President Barack Obama’s 2011 White House Champions of Change Panel Discussion, which highlighted the success of those community colleges who are helping low-skilled adults succeed in college by focusing on career pathways and linking workforce programs with credit-bearing courses.
- Accepted on behalf of Mott Community College the 2011 Aspen Institute Award for Community College Excellence which recognized MCC as one of the top 10 community colleges in the nation.
- Served in leadership positions in national, state and community organizations.
- Blessed with two sons, Rick and Brad; two daughters-in-law, Kathy and Paula; and four grandchildren, Marc, Megan, Peri and Bryce.

## Dick's Mantra

*If, as Dale Carnegie said, “Success is getting what you want...and happiness is wanting what you get,” then I am indeed a happy man.*