**Barriers in Education**

**Key Words/Phrases:**

* Offerings
* Barriers
* Degree Programs
* Tuition
* Tutoring
* Location
* Public Transportation
* Childcare
* Financial Aid
* Accredited
* Complaints

Learning never ends and is often considered a "life-long process." However, people often continue their education at different times in their lives and there are barriers that make continuing school difficult.

**Types of Barriers**

* Situational barriers
  + Busy work schedule
  + Family and children
  + Financial problems
  + Lack of child care services
  + Transportation
* Institutional barriers
  + Difficulty paying tuition
  + Scheduling of programs: full-time
  + No courses to meet learners needs
  + Lack of necessary qualification to enter programme
  + Location
* Dispositional barriers
  + Student's attitude toward learning
* Academic barriers
  + student's lack of skills in language, mathematics, technology
* Employment training barriers
  + Employers not supporting adult learners
  + Bias for employees with less education and training
* Cultural barriers
  + Barriers based on student's culture: women not working or going to school, girls marrying at an earlier age, etc.

**Overcoming Barriers**

In order to overcome educational barriers, students need long term personal support and a supportive working environment. They must find:

* Institutions that are flexible and understanding
* Financial Aid
* Schools that are close to their home or job
* AND MORE!

The information provided above was adapted from "[Barriers to Adult Learners (Links to an external site.)](https://www.ukessays.com/essays/education/barriers-to-adult-learners.php)"

**For this assignment, answer the questions:**

* What types of barriers have you experienced in your educational journey?
* How have you fixed some of these issues?
* How does MSJC provide support to you to continue learning?