

Washington's Community and Technical Colleges

**BETTER
JOBS,
BRIGHTER
FUTURES,
A STRONGER
WASHINGTON.**



Our world is changing rapidly. With changes in technology, demographics, and workforce trends, Washington needs colleges to not only keep pace, but lead the way. Washington's 34 community and technical colleges answer that call. Nimble and effective, our community and technical colleges have proven uniquely positioned to adapt to, embrace, and ignite change.

Consider this: Many of the top-paying jobs in Washington didn't even exist ten years ago. Those that did exist have changed dramatically. Our community and technical colleges partner with local business and emerging industries to react quickly to workforce trends. Students learn marketable skills they need to get good jobs, enrich their lives, and bring their talents and purchasing power back to local communities. Businesses get the qualified workforce they need to grow and thrive. And at a time when national student loan debt is rising faster than credit card debt, community and technical college students save thousands on their way to achieving a bachelor's degree.

Community and technical colleges build prosperity for all Washingtonians, regardless of whether they've enrolled at one of our campuses. The students educated at our open-door colleges become the employees, entrepreneurs, consumers, and taxpayers who keep our state economy vibrant — and raise the quality of life for every one of us.



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"I graduated in February 2011 and secured a position with an engineering firm exactly two months after graduation. I've been with the company now 2 1/2 years, and I love my job.

I sometimes find myself in awe that I'm actually getting paid so well to do something I love so much."

– Tami Hauptmann, Bates Technical College alumni

BETTER JOBS

Community and technical colleges partner with business to react quickly in our dynamic 21st century global economy. We get training programs up and running in months – not years. Students get precisely the training employers want and then land good jobs in the community when they finish, or they transfer for even higher levels of education.

From cybersecurity and information technology to allied health and marine technology, our in-demand training programs work for students and employers alike.

BRIGHTER FUTURES

The American Dream is very much alive, but the path to get there has changed. These days, people need to work hard, play by the rules AND pursue a life-long education. Community and technical colleges offer both the high quality and lower cost to make it all possible. Students train for well-paying careers, start work on a four-year degree, or update their skills and knowledge. Our colleges offer classes in the evening, online, and within communities to accommodate real-life demands, at lower cost.

For students who are not quite college-ready, we offer adult education, high school completion programs, and pre-college (or "remedial") education, providing that first, most important stepping stone to job training, certificates, and degrees.

STRONGER WASHINGTON

Washington benefits from a unified system of community and technical colleges. Our 34 colleges not only align with employers in the regions where they operate, but also with each other through common programs – like advanced manufacturing and allied health – that promote Washington's overall job-growth strategy. This approach connects every community in Washington to the full range of economic possibilities locally and regionally, and gives our state a competitive edge.

Our colleges are as innovative as the employers they serve – from the wineries in Walla Walla to the aerospace suppliers in the Puget Sound corridor and everywhere in between.

"Looking back after my time at the four-year university, I can see now how different my experiences and inspiration might have been if I hadn't completed those core courses at Green River Community College. *I was able to make connections and gain experiences with real-world activities...*

Green River gave me a chance to see the world of education and the enrichment to life that learning brings."

– Julie Brock-Jordan, Green River Community College



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2013-2014 FACTS

SUCCESSFUL OUTCOMES

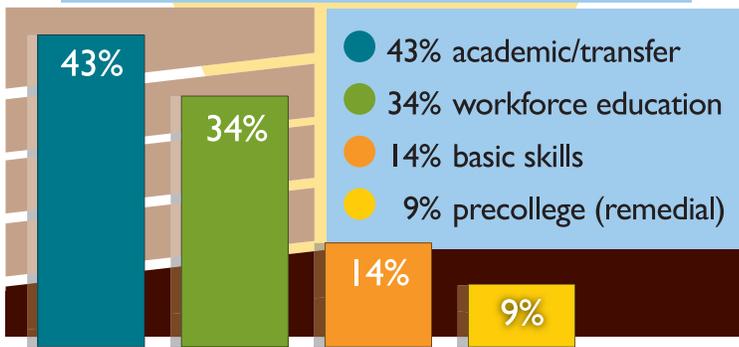
Transfer to
4-YEAR COLLEGE

Career
ADVANCEMENT

High-Demand
JOBS



Course Intent (FTE)



Open Door Policy = Access/Opportunity



**Students
Enrolled**

388,082
2013-2014 Headcount

Number of Colleges
34



Students Enrolled

Headcount, 2013-2014

388,082

Full Time Equivalent, 2013-2014

182,677



Annual Tuition

(45 credits)

\$4,000



Credentials Earned

55,189

21,352 certificates & apprenticeships

17,439 academic/transfer degrees

10,647 workforce degrees

5,751 high school credentials



Impact on Higher Education



Nearly 60% of students in WA public colleges and universities are enrolled in community and technical colleges

40% of public baccalaureate graduates in WA start at a community or technical college

Economic Impact

\$11 billion



Amount community and technical colleges and their former students add annually to the state's economy

Washington Community and Technical Colleges

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| Bates Technical College | Lower Columbia College | Tacoma Community College |
| Bellevue College | North Seattle College | Walla Walla Community College |
| Bellingham Technical College | Olympic College | Wenatchee Valley College |
| Big Bend Community College | Peninsula College | Whatcom Community College |
| Cascadia Community College | Pierce College Fort Steilacoom | Yakima Valley Community College |
| Centralia College | Pierce College Puyallup | |
| Clark College | Renton Technical College | |
| Clover Park Technical College | Seattle Central College | |
| Columbia Basin College | Shoreline Community College | |
| Edmonds Community College | Skagit Valley College | |
| Everett Community College | South Puget Sound Community College | |
| Grays Harbor College | South Seattle College | |
| Green River College | Spokane Community College | |
| Highline College | Spokane Falls Community College | |
| Lake Washington Institute of Technology | | |



Outstanding Washington Community and Technical College Alumni

Mike Adair, former Chief Information Officer for Expedia.com

Rick Anderson, former chairman and CEO of Moss Adams LLP

Ralston “Bud” Black, San Diego Padres manager

Deb Caletti, award-winning author of young adult fiction

Jim Caviezel, actor

Ray Conner, vice chairman of The Boeing Company and CEO of Boeing Commercial Airplanes

Sam Elliott, actor

Mark Emmert, former president of University of Washington, current president of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA)

Denis Hayes, national coordinator of the first Earth Day

Greg Johnson, former NASA astronaut

Bruce Lee, martial artist, filmmaker

Macklemore, singer/songwriter

Kenny Mayne, ESPN sports journalist

Ann Rule, author

Brian Scalabrine, former NBA player and current NBA television analyst

Orin Smith, former president and CEO of Starbucks and member of the University of Washington Board of Regents

Brian Valentine, former senior vice president of the Microsoft Windows Division

Junki Yoshida, entrepreneur of Yoshida’s teriyaki sauce fame