

BELLINGHAM TECHNICAL COLLEGE

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KEY FACTS (Data from 2015-2016 academic year unless otherwise noted)

Year Founded: 1957

Service Area: Whatcom County

Legislative Districts: 40, 42

Highest Enrolled Programs:

- Computer Networking
- Engineering Technology
- Instrumentation and Control Technology
- Nursing
- Welding Technology

Enrollment:

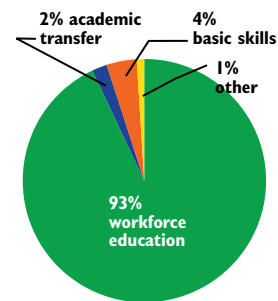
Headcount (all sources)	5,526
FTES (all sources)	2,292
Headcount (state-funded)	3,785
FTES (state-funded)	2,101

Students in Selected Programs (Headcount):

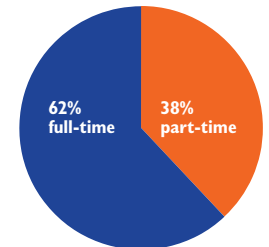
I-BEST	125
Running Start	90
Worker Retraining	215

STUDENT PROFILE — STATE FUNDED

Purpose for attending (FTE)



Attendance (Headcount)



Ethnicity:*

African American	3%
Asian	5%
Hispanic/Latino	12%
Native American	4%
Pacific Islander	1%
Other, Multiracial	2%
White/Caucasian	79%

Median Age: 27

Family and Finances:

Students receiving need-based financial aid in eligible programs	54%
Students who work	47%
Students with children	31%

Gender:

Female	50%
Male	50%

* May not add up to 100% because students may be counted in more than one race.

POINTS OF INTEREST

Job Training Bellingham Technical College (BTC) provides student-centered, high-quality professional-technical education for today's needs and tomorrow's opportunities. BTC is considered the "go-to" institution for relevant, effective education and well-trained employees. Our program advisory committees include representatives from industry, local employers and community members who share what they need in employees and trends in the workforce, so our training and curriculum reflect what students will face in the real world. As a result, 93 percent of BTC students report that they would recommend BTC to others. The college supports the local workforce by training displaced workers for new, in-demand jobs.

New Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing Degrees Engineering and advanced manufacturing is one of BTC's strongest program clusters. BTC's engineering options include civil, clean energy, composites, electronics, geomatics, and mechanical design, as well as pre-engineering direct transfer degrees. BTC's first Bachelor of Applied Science degree in Operations Management began in fall 2016. We will begin offering a Bachelor of Applied Science in Engineering Technology in fall 2017. Both degrees will help our students advance their education, gain access to higher paying careers and fill a need in our regional economy.

Dual Enrollment Bellingham Technical College provides a pipeline to college for local high school students by offering a variety of dual-credit options. In 2015-16, we completed an interactive dual enrollment website to allow parents, students and high school counselors to see all the dual credit options available for students at each of our Whatcom County high schools. Our IMPACT! Youth Re-engagement program is helping local students who have dropped out get their GEDs® and more. More than 90 students received their GED® in the program's first year; and many remain here to pursue a degree tuition-free in the program.