Bachelor of Applied Science in Teacher Education

In fall 2018, YVC accepted its first cohort of students pursuing a Bachelor of Applied Science in Teacher Education. The college planned this teacher preparation program in response to evidence of a shortage of qualified teachers in Yakima County. It’s designed for individuals with 90 or more college-level credits from a regionally accredited college, providing content and subject knowledge required in Pre-K-8 classrooms while integrating an in-depth residency experience. Candidates may earn endorsements in Elementary Education (K-8), Early Childhood Education (P-3) and/or English Language Learners (K-12).

New Logistics Certifications

Yakima Valley College’s Workforce Education division now offers CLA and CLT certification for students interested in becoming a logistics technician. Types of jobs include material handling, order processing, packing, packaging and operating automated equipment. The program includes two assessments, which are the foundational Certified Logistics Associate (CLA) and the mid-level Certified Logistics Technician (CLT). The US Department of Labor predicts employment in this field to hold steady, with better-trained workers receiving more opportunities.

Pathway Advising

YVC is a system leader in development of guided pathways, organizing its degrees and programs within six academic pathways: Arts and Humanities, Business, Health Care, Social Sciences and Education, STEM and Exploratory. The college now enters its fourth year of academic advising delivered through these six pathways, which are intended to help students connect their interests and abilities to majors and/or professions supported by YVC’s curriculum offerings.