Equity in Access | Grant
Provides Access to College
For Migrant, Seasonal Farmworker Families

Skagit Valley College (SVC) received a $2.5M College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP) federal grant from the Department of Education. The five-year grant provides academic and financial support services to eligible students from migrant and seasonal farmworker families as they complete their first academic year of college and continue into a second year. The grant reflects the college’s core themes of equity in access, achievement and community. SVC is one of only two higher education institutions in western Washington to house this program (University of Washington is the other).

Equity in Achievement | Applied Science Programs
Build Upon Professional-Technical Degrees

In response to the rising demand among individuals who earned a non-transfer, professional-technical degree and who want to pursue a bachelor’s degree, SVC now offers two Bachelor of Applied Science degrees: BAS in Environmental Conservation and BAS in Applied Management (General Management and Health Care Management tracks). A BAS in Application Development will launch fall 2022. These programs allow students to pursue their degrees where they live, work and raise their families.

Equity in Community | New Early Learning Center
Expands Program Training, Addresses Childcare Shortage

The new Sue Krienen Early Learning and Childcare Center, opening spring 2022, will expand hands-on training for students in SVC’s Early Childhood Education program and address a community shortage in childcare facilities. The SVC Foundation raised over $3 million to complete the project, with additional funding from a $275,000 donor pledge from early learning advocate Sue Krienen, a $1.5 million grant from the Head Start national office, and an $800,000 grant from the Department of Commerce. The 5,000-square-foot center will serve 28 to 30 children and their families with a toddler classroom, preschool classroom, parent room and outdoor space.