

Community and Technical Colleges of Washington

2017 fall counselor workshops
Washington Council for High School-College Relations

sbctc.edu

One system. 34 colleges. Unlimited possibilities.



29 community colleges

5 technical colleges

After high school, what?

In Washington state (Class of 2015):

- 44% enroll in community or technical college
- 32% attend in-state public four-year institutions*
- 18% go to out-of-state colleges
- 5% enroll at an in-state private institution
- <1% attend a private two-year institution

CheckOutACollege.org is now SBCTC.edu

- Brings together 34 colleges in **one site**
- Drives users to **campus websites**
- **Search** by career, college program, location
- **Paying for college**, financial aid calculator, scholarship links
- **GED and high school completion**
- **Links** to two-year colleges and four-year colleges and universities
- **Links** to the [FAFSA](#) and [WASFA](#)



What does “Open Admission” really mean?

MYTH: It's okay if I do poorly in high school, because I can take **any** community or technical college class I want. Classes are *easier*.

FACT: **Open admission** simply means colleges offer a variety of class levels and student services to accommodate differing readiness levels.

MYTH: I can enroll any quarter.

FACT: While students may be admitted in any quarter, many classes may be full. Some programs are cohorts, only starting certain quarters.

MYTH: Community or technical college won't prepare me for a four-year university.

FACT: 44 percent of bachelor degree holders are community and technical college students and students do just as well or better as those who transfer.

Guided Pathways defined

Highly structured student experiences that encourage completion by:

- **Establishing clear roadmaps** (metamajors and program maps) to students' end goals
- **Incorporating intake processes** that help students clarify goals for college and careers
- Offering **on-ramps to programs of study** designed to facilitate access for students with developmental education needs
- Embedding **advising, progress tracking, feedback, and support** throughout a student's educational journey

(Jenkins & Choo, 2014; Bailey, Jagers, & Jenkins, 2015)

Washington higher education placement agreements

- Defines Washington students to be college-ready based on their scores of 3 or 4 on the Smarter Balanced Assessment
- All 34 community and technical colleges [and EWU] agreed that a score of 2 and a B or better in a Bridge Course also indicates that a student is ready for college-level work

Bridge to College Courses — Ideal Student Profile

- Successfully completed junior core courses (English 11 or Algebra 2)
- Identified an interest in or demonstrated potential for education beyond high school
- Scored below college-ready on the Smarter Balanced high school assessment
- On track to graduate on time with enough skills to become college-ready in one year



BRIDGE to COLLEGE

Changes on the Horizon

Smarter Balanced assessment moving from 11th to 10th grade and transition courses will be allowed as an alternative for graduation, which means:

1. Placement agreement will need to be revised
2. Bridge to College curriculum may be expanded to include junior year options



BRIDGE to COLLEGE

A Bridge to College Story

#BridgeToCollege



For communications materials for families, counselors, see the [Bridge to College website](#)

For district registration information and technical assistance, see the [OSPI Bridge to College web page](#)

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Degree options

Professional-Technical

- Training and skills to prepare for work
- Some competitive or restricted admission: e.g. pilot, dental hygiene, radiology, nursing
- Not all designed to transfer
- Apprenticeships

College/University Transfer

- Prepare to transfer to four-year as a junior
- Specific prerequisites for major admission (e.g. engineering, business, nursing school)
- Recently revised transfer degree inventory (see the workshop resource book)

Washington transfer stats

- About 20,000 community and technical students transfer to a 4-year public institution each year
- By December 2017, all six public baccalaureate institutions will have plans and processes for students to earn their associate degree after they transfer
- Community and technical college transfer students did just as well as those who started as freshmen – approximately same number of credits and GPA upon graduation

Bachelor's degrees close to home

Applied Baccalaureates

- Dozens of opportunities at 27 colleges

University Centers & Partnerships

- Most community colleges partner with one or more four-year schools to offer bachelor (or master) degrees on campus.

See resource packet.

Apprenticeships

- Combines classroom studies with on-the-job training supervised by a journey-level craft person or trade professional.
- Classroom studies are offered by a variety of providers, including employer-sponsored schools, union-sponsored schools, and community and technical colleges.
- Associate of Applied Science in Multi-Occupational Trades provides a degree option for students in registered apprenticeship programs.
- Bachelor of Applied Science degrees further apprentices' career pathways

Resources:

- www.ini.wa.gov/TradesLicensing/Apprenticeship
- www.exploreapprenticeship.wa.gov
- www.constructioncoejobs.com/apprentice



Basic education options

- **I-BEST**
 - Team teaching combines adult education classes with credit-bearing or job training classes
- **Project I-DEA**
 - Helps English-language students learn English in tandem with job and life skills

Alternative high school options

(all approved by State Board of Education)

- **High School Equivalency**
 - Classes prepare students for the four-part GED® tests
- **High School 21+**
 - Competency-based high school diploma for adults at least 21 years of age

Total cost of attendance

2017-18 academic year, estimated full-time (15 credits) resident

	Living With Parents	Away
Tuition (fall, winter, spring)	\$3,936	\$3,936
Books/Supplies	\$840	\$840
Rent/Food/Utilities	\$3,210	\$9,690
Transportation	\$1,140	\$1,140
Misc./Personal	\$1,830	\$2,070
Total	\$10,956	\$17,676

*Per Washington Financial Aid Association, Student Budgets 2017-18.
Expenses vary per student.*



Financial aid

Most Washington community and technical colleges have a **uniform priority** Financial Aid date

March 15

(**College Bound** students, **February 1**)

- Almost 50% receive financial aid
- Ability to Benefit changes mean federal aid for students with no high school diploma or equivalent is available
- 200%-300% increase in aid applications in last six years
- Other dates in admissions grid are local deadlines

Dual credit programs

Record Running Start enrollments in 2015-16:

- **18,335** FTES
- **24,202** Headcount

In 2014-2015:

- Almost **1,000** students completed an **associate degree** at the same time they graduated from high school.

College in the High School in 2015-16:

- **1,299** FTES
- **5,851** Headcount

Student life

- Student government
- Phi Theta Kappa – two-year honor society
- Clubs, programs, events
- Student ambassadors
- Study abroad, world languages, international business
- Recreational facilities: Athletic fields, gymnasiums, wellness centers
- Intramural, competitive sports
- Identity-based clubs, events and organizations
- Model United Nations
- Art galleries, theater, music performances
- Radio and TV stations, speech and debate, student publications
- Service learning, volunteer and mentorship programs

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