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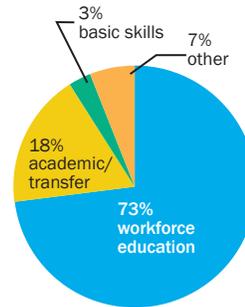


KEY FACTS (DATA FROM 2018-2019 ACADEMIC YEAR. REFLECTS HEADCOUNT UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.)

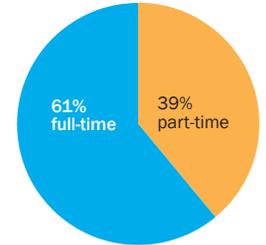
Year Founded	Enrollment	
1957	Headcount (all sources)	5,429
	FTES (all sources)	2,131
Service Area	Headcount (state-funded)	3,446
Whatcom County	FTES (state-funded)	1,871
Legislative Districts	Students in Selected Programs	
40, 42	Applied bachelor's	32
	Apprentices	19
Highest Enrolled Programs	I-BEST	120
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Associate in Nursing–DTA-MRP* • Computer Networking • Welding Technology • Process Technology • Electrician 	International	5
	Running Start	121
	Worker Retraining	142
*Direct Transfer Agreement-Major Related Program		

STUDENT PROFILE — STATE-FUNDED

Type of Student



Attendance



Race/Ethnicity*

African American	3%
Asian	6%
Hispanic/Latino	12%
Native American	4%
Pacific Islander	1%
Other race	2%
White/Caucasian	81%

Gender

Female	52%
Male	48%

Median Age: 26

Family and Finances

Students receiving need-based financial aid in eligible programs	51%
Students who work	48%
Students with children	31%

*May not add up to 100% because students may be counted in more than one race. Percentages calculated on reported value.

POINTS OF INTEREST

Training Our Workforce At Bellingham Technical College, our goals for our students go beyond graduation. We want our students to go into the workforce trained and ready to start jobs that support industry needs and local economies. Advisory boards of industry representatives inform our programs, and talented faculty with experience in their fields teach our students what they need to know to succeed. We're proud to have the highest job placement rate of Washington's two-year public colleges, with 82 percent of BTC graduates employed within nine months of graduating.

Filling a Need for Skilled Manufacturing BTC offers a variety of advanced manufacturing programs that train students for high-paying, in-demand jobs to support our state's manufacturing industries, including Welding, Machining, and Process Technology. Our Process Technology program has an 86 percent job placement rate and trains students for jobs overseeing processing and safety in industries such as refining and fuel production, food processing, and water and wastewater treatment.

Building a Roadmap for Success BTC's recent Title III Strengthening Institutions Program grant supports BTC employees as they engage in intensive planning and professional development to redesign workforce training pathways. The pathways will increase access to the college's high-wage, high-demand programs for non-traditional students, including those who have family and work responsibilities outside of school. The college also will provide intensive navigation support services — including personalized student advising, tracking and relationship-building — beginning with enrollment and persisting through graduation. This work will benefit all BTC students, with a focus on serving non-traditional student populations, who are often low-income working adults and/or first-generation students.