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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

What is your name and program?

My name is Barbi and I am currently attending BTC's Dental Hygiene program.

What made you decide to attend BTC?

Three years ago, I was ready to go back to school after a year and a half break. I wanted to go back to school so that I can have a professional career that would give me the opportunity to start working soon after graduating. I was browsing around online one afternoon and planning to reach out to my neighboring schools with BTC being one of them. I wanted a focused straight line towards success. I knew what I wanted as a goal and as soon as I reached out to BTC they were able to provide me the exact steps to take to reach my goals. I am now in my third year at the college and I absolutely love it. I have only good things to say about it.

What would you tell another student who was wondering if they should attend BTC?

Go. For. It. You have nothing to lose. They set you up for success. If you are determined and know what you want or even if you are not 100% sure just yet -- BTC will support you in every step of the way. They will help you see the path you have to take to reach graduation, so you will never have to worry about what's next. You will enjoy the journey.



What inspired you to go into the trades?

I am in the Dental Hygiene program and how I decided to apply is fun to look back on. I knew I wanted to be in the healthcare field, but was pretty unsure about the specifics. During my year and a half break from college I got into nutrition and read the book Nutrition and Physical Degeneration by Weston A. Price, a dentist. I started looking into his life which led to me reading about dentistry. That is how I came across dental hygiene. As I read more and more about this trade I realized that as a hygienist I could take care of people's health in a whole new way I never thought about. I fell in love with the preventive parts of this practice as well as the patient education. I can't wait to be working in this field. Lucky me my neighboring college, BTC, offers an amazing dental hygiene program.

What has been your experience learning at BTC so far?

The small class sizes are made up of people of different ages, backgrounds, and life experiences. This made for a very comfortable and friendly environment. All the students I met on my journey were friendly, hardworking and goal-oriented people. The instructors are amazing and they know that you are there to reach your goals, and they are extremely helpful, knowledgeable, nice and easy to relate to as fellow human beings.

Have you experienced any challenges and, if so, how did you overcome them?

Life itself is a challenge whether one is going to school or not, so yes, I am facing challenges. During these past 2.5 years I had financial and personal challenges, but school was something stable and concrete in my life. I believed that time and effort would solve most of these challenges, if I just kept my focus on my goal of finishing school. A little side note—one challenge I am working with right now is that as soon as I was accepted into the program I came to the realization that I am expecting. So now I am currently facing challenge of having a baby while attending the dental hygiene program. And you know what? After overcoming so much, I am looking forward to this one!

What have your instructors done to help you be successful?

One thing I hear over and over again from BTC instructors is that there is no stupid question. I took that advice and use it constantly. They always take the time to explain answers to me as much as I need if I am not clear on something. The instructors at BTC are just amazing.

How did you hear about BTC?

I live in Bellingham, and know people who have attended and they always had nice things to say about BTC.

How many classes did you take?

So far, I took 18 classes there and am currently enrolled in five classes in my program. Wow, how time flies!

What else would you like us to know about your educational journey?

I guess I feel like I started "late", but I see now that it is never too late. I moved to the US from Hungary and basically had to restart high school and had no idea how higher education worked here. So, it took me a few years to realize that college was the way to go for me, and I am very happy about where I am now, with my goal of becoming a Dental Hygienist.

As far as my future goals, I would like to work in a private practice here in Bellingham as a Dental Hygienist, volunteer locally and abroad, and maybe further my education and become an instructor for future hygiene students. The sky is the limit.

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CHILDBIRTH

Preparation for Childbirth	& Parenting \$199
T 1/12-3/2	6-8:30 p.m.

Pregnancy & Childbirth \$149
Course fees waived for those covered by WA Apple Health (Medicaid) waivers.
W 1/6-2/3 6-8:30 p.m.
M 2/22-3/22 6-8:30 p.m.

Prep. For Childbirth: Weekend Cond. \$14

Course fees waived for those covered by WA Apple Health (Medicaid) waivers.

SaSu 1/23-1/24 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

SaSu 2/27-2/28 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Note: Class times are Sa 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m and Su 12:30-5:30 p.m.

Hypnotic Childbirth FREE M 1/25-3/1 6-8:30 p.m.

Comfort Techniques for Labor & Birth FREE Th 2/4 6-8:30 p.m.

Breastfeeding Basics & Beyond	FREE
Sa 1/23	10-11 a.m.
Sa 2/20	10-11 a.m.
Sa 3/20	10-11 a.m.

BABY CONNECTIONS

Bringing Baby Home	FREE
MW 1/4-1/25	6-8 p.m.
TTh 2/2-2/18	6-8 p.m.
MW 3/8-3/24	6-8 p.m.
Baby 'N' Me (1-7 months)	FREE
M 1/25-3/22	2:30-4:30 p.m.

Baby 'N' Me (8-12 months) FREE

W 1/27-3/17 2:30-4:30 p.m.

FAMILY CONNECTIONS: ADULT DISCUSSION

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Th 1/7-1/28	9:30-11 a.m.
Th 2/4-2/25	6:30-8 p.m.
Th 3/4-3/25	9:30-11 a.m.
Raising Teens	\$79
T 2/2-2/16	6-8 p.m.

FAMILY CONNECTIONS: ADULT/CHILD

These classes will consist of weekly virtual song circles, parenting discussion sessions, and private one-on-one parenting support from your instructor.

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M 1/11-3/29	9 a.m.
Note: This class is for 1 year olds.	
T 1/12-3/16	9 a.m.
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More Than One (0-5)	\$149
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Students with HB1079 or DACA complete Washington Application for State Financial Aid (WAFSA).

www.readysetgrad.wa.gov/wasfa-washington-application-state-financial-aid Contact Student Financial Resources: finaid@btc.edu or call 360.752.8351

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Funds available for students through the BFET Program

The Basic Food Employment and Training (BFET) program helps eligible students access education that leads to good jobs. Students who are currently receiving or are eligible to receive federal Basic Food Benefits (SNAP) may be eligible.

Students who participate in BFET may receive the following forms of support:

- Financial assistance with college-related expenses
- Child care subsidy
- Continued Basic Food Benefits while enrolled in school
- Assistance with books for general education and prerequisite classes

The Workforce Funding team within Student Financial Resources is available to assist or answer questions about the program. To apply for funds, schedule an appointment with a BFET Coordinator at bfet@btc.edu.

BTC Counseling provides free and confidential phone and virtual assistance with Zoom meetings for students experiencing stress, loss, worry, or other personal issues that can impact a student's well-being or educational experience. Our counselor can help students get connected to additional resources on and off campus. Contact: counseling@btc.edu.

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