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BELLINGHAM TECHNICAL COLLEGE
COMMUNITY REPORT 2013/2014



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VISION

Bellingham Technical College will be a recognized leader in providing innovative and effective technical education, maximizing student potential, and supporting the regional economy through development of a competitive workforce.

MISSION

Bellingham Technical College provides student-centered, high-quality professional technical education for today's needs and tomorrow's opportunities.

VALUES

As a learning community, Bellingham Technical College is committed to educational excellence and equity realized through a positive, values-based environment. To fulfill Bellingham Technical College's mission and vision, the College will adhere to the following values:

Student-Centered

Creating a supportive and inclusive community that results in a high level of student competence, professionalism, and success.

Responsive

Embracing positive, effective change that creates opportunity and meets current and emerging needs.

Collaborative

Creating and leveraging partnerships and resources to achieve shared values and goals for students, the College, and the community.

Principled

Promoting a culture of respect and accountability, reflecting integrity in decision-making, and ensuring responsible stewardship of all resources.

CORE THEMES

Student Success & Access

Excellence

College Visibility with Strong Community, Business, & Industry Relations

Letter from the president



Dear Friends of Bellingham Technical College,

Bellingham Technical College continues to refine our offerings to meet the needs of students and the community. Higher education faces challenges as student needs evolve and increase, and the financial landscape in which we operate shifts. Our offerings must be flexible in order to stay current and meet the needs of regional employers; therefore developing and maintaining strong industry partnerships is critical to their success.

One constant in this ever-changing landscape is Bellingham Technical College's dedication to providing the opportunity for our students to transform their lives through education. Student success is the college's priority goal and everyone in our campus community embraces that goal. Recently I have been touched by how the objective of "student success" is reflected in unsolicited letters I've received from students. These students, who are veterans, first generation college students, and adults working to get their lives back on track, have shared how so many of our staff have helped them reach their goals on their journey to graduation and employment.

Addressing change and incorporating innovation is integral to the college's success and this is reflected in our goal of "excellence." Our graduate employment placement continues to average 86% and some of our individual program placements are even higher. Students rate our programs,

teaching and learning experiences as "very high." Excellence is exhibited throughout the college. This past year, we opened the Perry Center for Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences, located at Maritime Heritage Park. Our Nursing program is undergoing a major curriculum revision to meet the changing healthcare workforce needs. The Culinary Arts program won the Washington State American Culinary Federation Hot Food Competition for the second year in a row, and placed high at the regional competition. The welding facility is one of two college facilities in Washington State to be named a Certified Test Facility by the American Welding Society. BTC's unique Instrumentation and Process Technology programs are nationally renowned, attracting employers from outside the state to recruit our graduates. I am often asked what BTC's flagship program is and am honestly unable to answer succinctly. Our campus's expectation is that all our programs reflect excellence. There are times when some occupational areas get more media attention than others but we as a campus community expect excellence across the entire institution.

Another hallmark of the college is our responsiveness to change. An example of this is our fall 2014 expansion in engineering programs (Mechanical, Electromechanical and Composites) and Precision Machining to meet the growing needs of the state's aerospace and advanced manufacturing sector, BTC has always had a strong role in advanced manufacturing, and we are stepping that role up to enhance student opportunities and to meet the region's workforce needs.

BTC continues to add to our direct transfer and transfer agreements degrees, enabling our graduates to enter baccalaureate programs in Engineering, Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences Technology, Pre-Nursing, Nursing, Business, and more. Students can complete degrees to go directly into the workforce or transfer directly into a university for a bachelor's degree.

This report is a celebration of the generosity of our community, who invests in Bellingham Technical College and our students. Our community's efforts to "pay it forward" make a generational difference to our students, their families, and our region. We are honored, humbled, and grateful for your generosity and we remain hopeful that you will continue to support the College and our students.

Sincerely,


Patricia McKeown, Ed. D.
President



“To know that there are people like you who will choose to offer a helping hand adds to my resolve and gives me one more reason to do my best and to succeed. You made a positive difference in my life and that of my family, as well as the wider community.”

Jeffrey Nichols
BTC Foundation Scholarship Recipient

BTC graduates find success

“I plan to utilize my education at BTC as a springboard to bring stability and provision to my family, and to make this community a better place.”

—Brent Bultsma
BTC Instrumentation & Control Graduate

When the housing and construction market collapsed in 2008, Brent Bultsma lost his general contracting business. Shortly after that, he and his family lost their Southern California home. Jobless and homeless, the Bultsmas traveled north to Bellingham, and when he arrived, he learned about the renowned Instrumentation & Control Program at BTC.

“The road ahead looked daunting and foreboding, but as I learned about the Instrumentation program, and recognized what a good fit it was for me, the desire to succeed overpowered the threat of obstacles,” he said.

Brent’s transition had begun. He poured his time and energy into his classes. He found part time work, as well as scholarships from the BTC Foundation to make ends meet. He viewed BTC as a tool that he would use to turn his life around.

“That season of my life was about passion, perspective and adjustment,” Brent said. “I knew that, coupled with my drive to succeed, BTC would provide every opportunity I needed to redirect my career.”

Brent graduated from the Instrumentation Program in 2012 with very high GPA, and a very promising future. He has been employed by Shell Oil Company, and he is quite satisfied with his off-shore job assignment.

“It is a pleasure to call myself a BTC alumnus. The leadership in the Instrumentation Program has definitely fostered an atmosphere of camaraderie and teamwork.”

BTC provides innovative and effective technical education. The College continues to maximize the potential of students like Brent Bultsma—providing hope and the opportunity for personal growth.

“This time in my life has been a challenge that has strengthened my character, and drawn out new passions from within me,” Brent stated. “And I look forward to modeling for others that a change in career is possible with goals and perseverance.”



Instruction updates

BTC's mission is to help students achieve their educational and career goals. More than 300 community members and industry and labor representatives serve as advisors to BTC's programs, participate in career fairs, support programs and students, and work with the College to develop programs and offer internship and industry experience opportunities to students. Our success is reflected in our results and performance.

Exceptional Performance

- Over 80% job placement rate.
- Ranked as one of the top three colleges in the Washington community and technical college system for student retention and completion rates.
- 98% of BTC students would recommend BTC to their peers.
- Small class sizes, and individualized advising and support services.
- International partnerships and local community service.
- Internship programs and industry experiences.
- Focus on renewable energy.
- Innovative lab projects and cutting-edge lab equipment.

BTC Degrees and Certificates

Bellingham Technical College offers 37 associate degrees (A.A.S. and A.A.S.-T.) and 51 certificate options in the following fields:

- Business and Computer Technology
- Culinary Arts
- Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing
- Fisheries and Aquaculture Sciences
- Health Careers and Education
- Industrial Technology
- Sustainable Technology
- Transportation and Mechanical Technology

2013-2014 BTC Faculty and Staff Recognition

The BTC Foundation is proud to support the acknowledgement of BTC faculty and staff excellence at the annual campus recognition event.

BTC Outstanding Performance Awards:

The purpose of this award is to recognize achievements, contributions and/or services that have significantly contributed to the goals, objectives and mission of Bellingham Technical College. This year's awards were presented to:

- Valerie Frank, BTC Foundation Coordinator
- Dan Beeson, Automotive Technology Instructor
- Lynnette Bennett, Director, Health Grants
- Megan Bryson, Director of Advising and Career Services
- Cindy Hollinsworth, Director of Nursing

The Haskell Faculty Excellence Award was awarded to Chef Brian McDonald for a professional development activity to update his skills and knowledge by working in top regional restaurants.

2013-2014 Puget Sound Energy Faculty Excellence Award Recipients:

Full time instructor: Dan Beeson, Automotive Technology
Part time instructor: Catherine Beebe, Dental Hygiene





BTC Student Snapshot

Average # of Students per Quarter	2,763*
Age Distribution	
	Under 20: 11%*
	20-29: 41%*
	30-39: 24%*
	40 or above: 24%*
Graduates (2013-2014)	783*
Running Start students (high school)	81*
Students of color	20%*
Students holding Baccalaureate Degrees	9%*
% of 2011-2012 graduates employed within nine months	82% **
Annual wage median of BTC degree-related careers	\$50,826+
Graduation Rate	BTC has the third-highest graduation rate of all public two-year colleges in Washington State.**

* BTC Operational Data Store, June 2014

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+Washington State Employment Security Department Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates, June 2012

++U.S. Department of Education, IPEDS 2011-12 Graduation Rates



"Thank you for helping my lost dreams be awakened and new ones made possible. I could not do any of this without the people who believe in me and support me. Thank you for being part of my success!"

Kellie-Ann Markell

BTC Foundation Scholarship Recipient

Student Services updates

Every student deserves the opportunity to succeed, and this effort begins through BTC's campus-wide initiatives and support from key elements of our Student Services team. The following departments work together to provide a comprehensive system of resources to ensure students are able to thrive and achieve their full potential at BTC.

- Accessibility Resources: Access and Disability Services
- Admissions and Recruitment
- Advising and Career Services
- Counseling
- Financial Aid
- Multicultural and Diversity Support Services
- Registration and Enrollment
- Veterans Resources
- Workforce Funding and Student Support

A small sampling of our many achievements in Student Services this past year includes:

Increasing student engagement:

- Restructuring our Admissions & Recruitment and Advising & Career Services departments to enhance student recruitment and retention;
- Strengthening our student government, improving support for veterans, improving diversity programming;
- Improving the early alert system to support students to identify at-risk students earlier;
- More than 1,800 BTC students received a combined total of nearly \$15 million in financial assistance through the college;
- 262 graduates participated in Commencement this year; 75 faculty, administration, and board members were on stage, and 1,374 people were in attendance. 10% of graduates were students registered with our Accessibility Resources office.

Collaborating with Computer Services to improve online resources:

- Redesigning and enhancing the BTC website, vastly improving its functionality, usability, and appearance;
- Launching the BTC Student Portal, allowing students to register and perform other transactions in a centralized online location;
- Utilizing Canvas for service delivery in Accessibility Resources and Workforce Funding & Student Support, allowing students to review accommodations, request funding, complete budgets, check in with staff, and interact with fellow students;
- Implementing SALT, an online training module designed to help students improve financial planning skills;
- Offering online success workshops through Student Lingo;
- Offering a "Budgeting for College" template online

Creating system and process efficiencies:

- Implementing a Communications Relationship Management system for communicating with prospective and current students;
- Strengthening data-driven decision making.

Long term planning:

- Creating and assessing a five-year Strategic Enrollment Plan;
- Development of student learning outcomes and innovative, evidence-based change;
- Assisting with Aerospace programs' FTE development;
- Supporting staff professional development.

Questions related to any of the above initiatives may be directed to Linda Fossen, Vice President of Student Services, at (360) 752-8440.

BTC students find success

“I know that things don’t come easy, but my instructors and the BTC Foundation have provided me with an opportunity for success. I’m going to do whatever I can to take advantage of it, and to have success.”

—Marta Sharrett
BTC Welding Student



Marta Sharrett had recently found herself on her own, with her two daughters. She had a GED and five years of experience as a homemaker; and now, Marta had a decision to make.

“I wanted to be able to provide a good life for my two daughters,” she said. “So I asked myself, ‘How do I do that?’”

Her decision to enroll in the Welding Program at BTC was her solution, but like most of the events in Marta’s life, the choice was not an easy one. Leaving her Bremerton home for Bellingham, meant that Marta and her daughters would have to say goodbye to the comfort of their family and friends.

“I left behind all of the things, places, and people I knew. But working on my future is important to me, so I did what I needed to do.”

Her ambitious risk is paying off. As Marta soars into her second year of welding classes, Phillips 66 has recognized her hard work and her potential, and has awarded Marta with the Phillips 66 Lummi Tribal Scholarship—a full-ride scholarship that will not only pay for Marta’s last year of tuition, but also for her materials and certifications.

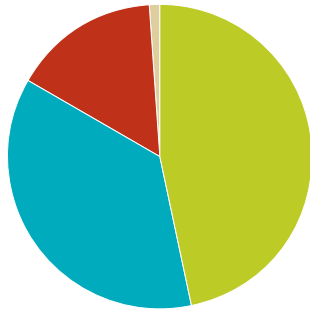
The Scholarship was made available through the BTC Foundation, and it will have a major impact on Marta’s transformation. She will continue to work at her job in the service industry while she takes classes, but the scholarship support will relieve much of the stress that comes from being a full time student while working a job and being a single mother of two children.

“I know that I can look forward to some major improvements in the future, with a welding career,” she said. “But the Phillips 66 Lummi Tribal Scholarship helps me out right now, while I work toward my goals. It has lifted a huge burden off of my shoulders, and I truly appreciate the BTC Foundation, and the generosity of Phillips 66.”

2013-2014 Revenue and Expenses

BTC continues to maintain a strong mix of revenue sources with a continuing emphasis on securing grant funding. BTC's expenditure mix reflects a strong commitment to Instruction.

Revenue Mix



\$21.8 Million Overall College Revenue
(excluding Student Aid and Capital Pass-thru funds)

State Operating Appropriation*	\$9,500,000
Tuition & Fees Revenue**	\$7,700,000
Federal, State & Local Grants & Contracts Revenue*	\$3,300,000
Enterprise Revenue	\$200,000

*Excluding Financial Aid
**Excluding S&A and Building Fees

Foundation Board Sets New Fundraising Goals

The BTC Foundation board members are committed to continue increasing the philanthropic resources available to Bellingham Technical College, which was evident when the Foundation Board met last January to develop new three-year fundraising goals.

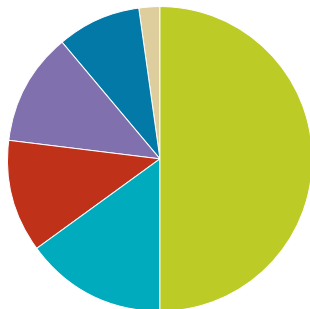
The board members agreed on a commitment to raise nearly \$1.5 million for student scholarships, BTC programs and equipment, and a "Greatest Need Fund" over the next three-year cycle.

Three-Year Combined Goals for 2014-2017

Student Scholarships (annual and endowed)	\$900,000
BTC Program Support	150,000
Greatest Need Fund	410,000

Total \$1,460,000

Expenditures Mix



Instruction	50%
Institutional Support	15%
Student Services	12%
Plant Operation/Maintenance	12%
Academic Support	9%
Instructional Resources	2%

140

Pathway to BTC Admission Scholarships provided to recent high school graduates by the BTC Foundation

twenty nine percent

amount the BTC Foundation provided to increase scholarship resources available to students

113%

The Foundation Board's three-year 2011-2014 fundraising goals achieved

The Bellingham Technical College Foundation is organized to stimulate private support for the programs, needs, and enhancements of the College; to optimize student access to the College's programs and services; and to elevate the College to excellence through fundraising, public awareness activities, and partnerships with its diverse communities.



Owners of Bellingham Cold Storage and generous Perry Center contributors, Stowe and Jane Talbot celebrate a winning bid at BTC Foundation's gala auction, High Heels & Black Ties Change Lives.

BTC Foundation

Dear Friends,

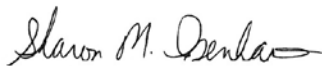
The Bellingham Technical College (BTC) Foundation is proud to report that it raised \$661,864 to support BTC in 2013-2014. We extend deep appreciation to those who made this achievement possible.

The breadth of philanthropic support that the foundation receives derives from many sources, including individuals, businesses, foundations, and BTC employees through a variety of giving campaigns, special events, and grants. The Foundation Board acts as thoughtful stewards of these gifts and directs them to a variety of priority initiatives so that BTC can continue to provide student-centered, high-quality professional technical education in our community.

Last year, the BTC Foundation was very active, conducting a variety of activities to support student and faculty success at the college. Here are just a few of the Foundation's highlights from last year:

- The Foundation distributed vital emergency funding to BTC students whose financial aid disbursements were delayed during a week-long faculty strike last fall. The small stipends allowed students to purchase food, pay for rent or childcare, and address other immediate needs that normally would be covered by financial aid.
- The BTC Foundation awarded a record amount in student scholarships, faculty and staff professional development funds, and direct BTC program support.
- The Foundation's gala auction, High Heels & Black Ties Change Lives, was a resounding success this past October. More than 230 guests donned black tie attire and convened in the Settlemyer Family Hall, which was transformed into an upscale venue for the evening. The guests were treated to a gourmet dinner prepared by the college's Culinary Arts Program, while sipping wine generously donated by David and Cheryl Blair of Dunham Cellars. Thanks to the tireless work of Liz Evans, procurement committee chair, countless others donated high-end auction items. Evans stated, "The BTC gala is an evening of incredible generosity, a chance to connect with friends and business partners, and know that you are helping change the course of people's lives – it's powerful!"
- Last November, the Foundation held a grand opening ceremony for the new Perry Center for Fisheries and Aquaculture Sciences in Maritime Heritage Park. The ceremony celebrated completion of the new home to BTC's Fisheries Programs and honored the 130+ individuals and organizations who made contributions to the building campaign.

We are proud and grateful to help so many people in our region of Washington. Thank you for your generosity, interest, and investment in supporting our mission. Your contributions mean a great deal and we deeply value your trust and support.



Sharon Isenhardt
BTC Foundation President



Foundaton President Sharon Isenhardt



2013-2014 FUNDRAISING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Annual Scholarships	\$220,043
Endowed Scholarships	98,590
Direct BTC Program Support	168,820
Greatest Need Fund*	128,727
Perry Center Building Campaign	45,684
Total	\$661,864

*The Greatest Need Fund supports a diverse spectrum of BTC programs



Top left, Edd and Virginia Perry and Chuck and Diane Bundrant receive appreciation from BTC President, Patty McKeown, for Trident Seafood's "lead" gift to name the Perry Center building at Maritime Heritage Park. Above, Bornstein family members, Colin, Kyle, and Jay, get recognized for Bornstein Seafoods' major sponsorship of the Perry Center's hatchery. Bottom left, representatives of Taylor Shellfish provide a complimentary raw oyster bar to the guests of the Perry Center grant opening ceremony. Taylor Shellfish and Seattle Shellfish were co-sponsors of the building's Wet Lab.



Foundation Institutional Support

Thanks to the generous support from area businesses, individuals, foundations, and service organizations, the Bellingham Technical College Foundation is able to provide vital scholarship support to our students.

2014-15 Academic Year

Student Scholarships	\$277,000
Pathway to BTC Admission Scholarships	70,000
Total Scholarship Support	\$347,000

Other Foundation Institutional Support

Faculty and Staff	
Professional Development Grants	\$10,000
BTC Employee Awards & Recognition	4,900
Emergency Student Grants	32,400
Direct BTC Program Support	168,820
Perry Center Building Campaign	45,684

Total Institutional Support \$608,804

Top left, Perry Center campaign volunteers and Foundation supporters Lee and Walt Ingram share in some fellowship with Shirley Zuanich, a key member of the Perry Center campaign team at BTC Foundation's Gala. Above (from left to right), Robin Williams, Foundation Board Member Dennis Williams, BTC Foundation Vice-Chairman, Russ Whidbee, and BTC President, Patricia McKeown. Bottom left, Gala auction attendees raise a record amount for BTC student scholarships.

Foundation Scholarships

Named scholarships make a difference; endowed scholarships leave a legacy. Please contact the BTC Foundation office at 360-752-8464 to learn more about establishing a named or endowed scholarship at BTC.

Endowed Scholarships Established at BTC

Aftermath Club Endowment
Auto Body Craftsman Association Endowed Scholarship
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McArdle Endowment for Student Success
Mike McShane Memorial Endowment
Morse Steel Service Welding Endowment
Mt Baker Imaging Endowment
Patricia McKeown Endowment
Phillips 66 Endowment
Rotary Club of Bellingham Endowment
Settlemyer Family Endowment
Sink the Dinghy Endowment (Bellingham Yacht Club)
Suzanne Taylor Lybecker Memorial Endowment

Thanks to the generosity of many, 315 students will receive scholarships through the BTC Foundation this coming year.



BTC Foundation supporter, Becki Murphy, raises her bid card to contribute to BTC Scholarships at the Foundation's Gala Auction.

2013-2014 Donor honor roll

Includes gifts made between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014; does not include in-kind contributions. While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the Honor Roll, errors may occur. Please inform us of any errors or omissions by contacting the Foundation office at 360-752-8684 or btcfoundation@btc.ctc.edu.

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“Your financial generosity has allowed me the peace of mind that I need to work hard towards accomplishing my goals. I am also encouraged to inspire people around me and my community. According to Hillary Clinton, ‘If you educate a girl, you educate a whole village.’ I know I am a village in the making.”

Miriam Shieni, *BTC Foundation Scholarship recipient*

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