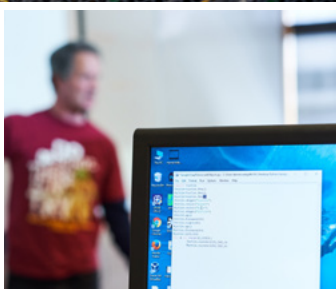
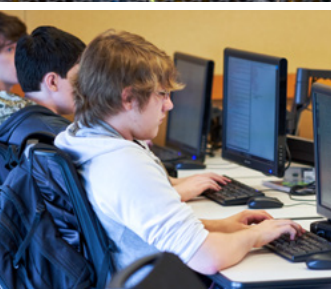
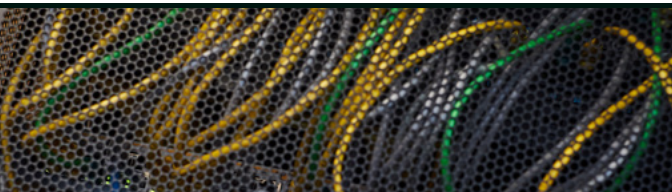


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About Bellingham Technical College



Bellingham Technical College has been training students for in-demand, high-paying careers for more than 60 years. At BTC, the focus is always on our students and helping them succeed. We're proud to have one of the highest graduation rates of all public two-year colleges in Washington state, as well as high job-placement rates for our graduates.

On our vibrant campus in the heart of Bellingham, we educate a diverse population of over 5,000 students in 39 associate degrees, 55 certificate programs and two bachelor of applied science degrees.

BTC students prepare for careers in many areas, including high-demand fields such as advanced manufacturing, engineering, nursing, accounting and more.

Our approach is high-tech, hands-on, and student-centered. Smaller classes mean our dedicated instructors really know you, and our lectures are reinforced in the lab, whether it is in a fast-paced kitchen, on the welding floor, or in the nursing simulation lab.

At every step, you'll know that BTC faculty and employees are here to support you in pursuit of your goals.

Mission:

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

Information Technology at BTC

BTC's programs in Information Technology are ideal for students with an aptitude or interest in technology, troubleshooting, and working with computers.

You'll learn skills needed for a rewarding career in the fast-paced, ever-changing world of information technology. Students may work for large and small employers as database administrators, IT help desk technicians, network administrators, and IT managers in software companies, industrial firms, education, hospitals, and government.

The employment outlook for program graduates is strong, and students can expect to earn excellent wages. In addition to providing hands-on training and solid academic instruction, BTC's administration collaborates with local industry, employers, and our state and local governments to determine the skills our workforce requires to keep the economy strong.

BTC Degree Options

Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree:

A two-year associate degree that allows you to go directly to work in your field.

Associate of Applied Science-Transfer (AAS-T) degree:

A two-year associate degree with transferable general education courses that allows you to either go directly into your field, transfer to a specific program at a four-year college or university, or prepare for your bachelor of applied science degree at BTC.

Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree:

A two-year bachelor's degree that can be added on top of an existing associate degree from an accredited college, or even a previous bachelor's degree.

Transitioning to BTC: BTC accepts both traditional and non-traditional credit for equivalency to BTC courses on a case-by-case basis. Contact Admissions at admissions@btc.edu or call 360.752.8345.

Learn more: www.btc.edu/transfers

*Wage & Employment Data Sources

Earning potential: Washington State Employment Security Department 2018 Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates (esd.wa.gov) reflect 2014-17 employment; average annual wage reflects the 50th percentile, and earning potential reflects the 75th percentile of annual wages across Washington state.

Employment data come from the Washington State Board for Community and Technical Colleges and reflect WA/OR employment for students enrolled in BTC between 2014-15 and 2016-17.

COMPUTER NETWORKING

Associate of Applied Science — Transfer Degree

Associate of Applied Science Degree

Program Length: 6 quarters

Computer Network Support

Certificate of Completion

Program Length: 3 quarters

Cloud Computing

Certificate of Completion

Program Length: 3 classes over 3 quarters

Computer Programming

Certificate of Completion

Program Length: 3 classes over 3 quarters

Health Information Technology

Certificate of Completion

Program Length: 3 classes over 3 quarters

Network Management

Certificate of Completion

Program Length: 3 classes over 3 quarters

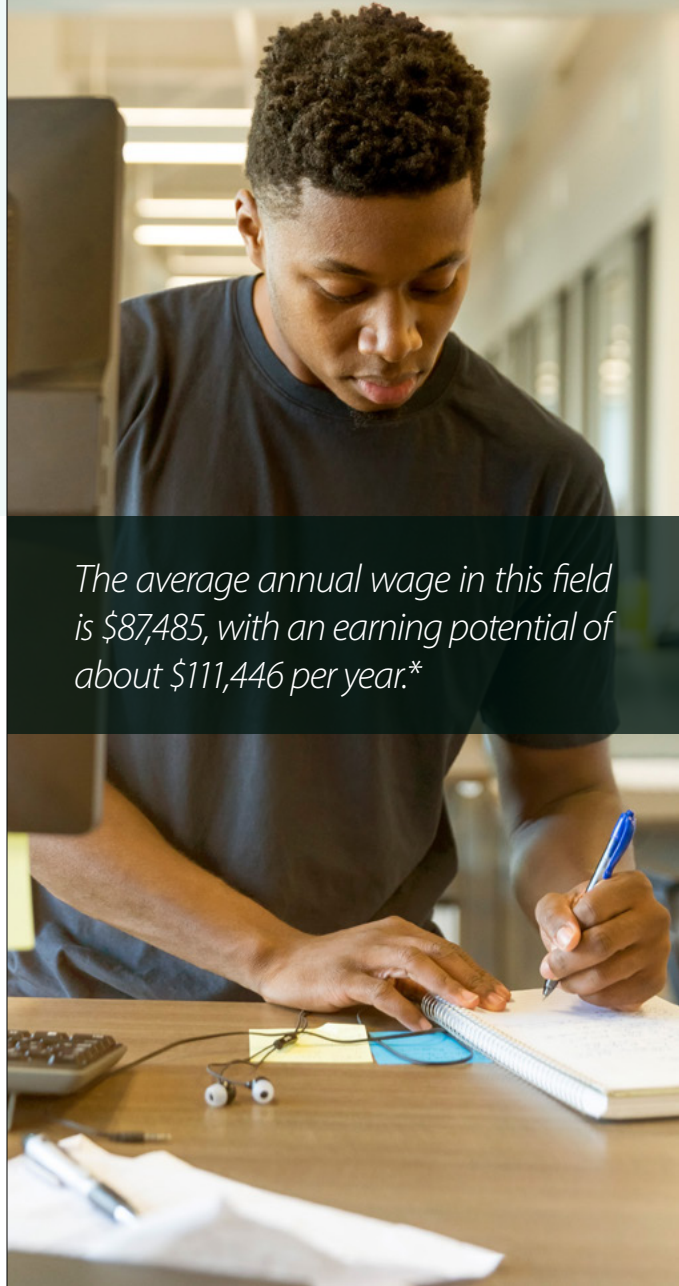
Choose BTC's Computer Networking program to train for positions such as network technician, network specialist, network administrator, network security administrator, help desk specialist, or Local Area Network (LAN) technician. Learn how to manage computer networks, troubleshoot and repair computer systems, and design, install, and maintain LANs. You can add to your skills with certificates in cloud computing, computer programming and more.

Graduates will find employment opportunities with computer support firms or with small- to large-sized companies that use computer networks, such as financial institutions, insurance companies, schools, hospitals, and universities, as well as federal, state, and local government agencies.

In addition to the required core classes, students choose from one of four specialty tracks — Cloud Computing, Computer Programming, Health Information Technology, and Network Management — each comprising three specialty classes.

"I feel any additional health information education I acquire will ultimately lead me to (healthcare-related job) opportunities, making me a desirable candidate for hire."

— Gary Kartchner, Computer Networking and Health IT grad



*The average annual wage in this field is \$87,485, with an earning potential of about \$111,446 per year.**

ASSOCIATE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

Direct Transfer Agreement in
Major-Related Program (DTA/MRP)

Program Length: 6 quarters

Bellingham Technical College offers your first step toward a successful career in Computer Science. Earn your associate degree and get a solid academic and technical foundation at BTC in two years.

You'll be ready to transfer to a four-year college or university to earn your bachelor's degree in computer science, and can go on to build a career in a field that is experiencing strong growth in Washington and nationwide.

BTC's Associate in Computer Science transfer degree is designed for students who want to transfer to a Washington state college or university and major in computer science. After completing the 90-credit associate degree program at BTC, you may transfer as a junior into a Bachelor of Science (BS) program in computer science.



COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALIST

Associate of Applied Science — Transfer Degree
Associate of Applied Science Degree

Program Length: 5-6 quarters

Computer Support Specialist Certificate of Completion

Program Length: 3-4 quarters

If you enjoy combining technical and customer service skills in a variety of business and office settings, here's a program to consider.

Our Computer Support Specialist program will train you for a rewarding career as a computer support specialist, software specialist, help desk specialist, training and support coordinator, or PC support specialist.

You'll learn valuable skills needed by companies ranging from hospitals to financial institutions, large corporations, school districts, and universities. Hardware and software manufacturers also hire program graduates to work as customer service representatives and help desk personnel.



Get started at BTC today!

Find more information: www.btc.edu/admissions

Print a checklist: www.btc.edu/admissionsteps

Apply to BTC & Apply for Financial Aid

Apply at www.btc.edu/applyonline and get your Student Identification Number (SID).

Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.btc.edu/financialaid
Use BTC college code 016227.

Assess Your Starting Point

Degree- and certificate-seeking students need to determine their math and English starting points. Some programs require certain placement scores before starting program classes. BTC uses multiple measures to determine placement, including assessment testing. Visit: www.btc.edu/assessment

Advising & Registration

Students will meet with Advising and Career Services staff for a mandatory GET Started appointment: navigate Goals, create an Education Plan, become Tech Ready, and register for classes. Contact Admissions & Advising to schedule your appointment: admissions@btc.edu or call **360.752.8345**.

Prepare to Attend

Participate in New Student Orientation to learn about campus resources and what to expect before your first quarter.

Sign up: www.btc.edu/events

Pay tuition and fees: www.btc.edu/tuition

Buy textbooks: www.btc.edu/campusstore

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