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What is your name and program?
My name is Herson Rodriguez and I am in the Mechatronics and Industrial Maintenance program. I am studying a combination of mechanical, electrical, computer and software skills to gain the training to work on smart technologies such as automated guided systems, robotics, and computer integrated manufacturing equipment.

What made you decide to attend BTC?
After getting out of the Army, where I served as an Infantryman, I moved back to my hometown of Moses Lake, WA. I didn’t realize I wanted to go to school until I had worked for over a year post-Army as an assembly operator for Genie Industries in Central Washington. It was then that I realized I wanted a technical trade career, to attend college, and to get the training necessary to advance my career opportunities. My desire is to both secure a job in the trades, and have the option to build on it. BTC had great reviews, and this region is stunning. It was an easy decision to move here and attend BTC.

What would you tell another student who was wondering if they should attend BTC?
I would highly recommend attending BTC for the quality of the education and because the BTC staff is quite helpful. My veteran representative Alisen Outlaw has helped answer my
questions and guide me through many processes regarding financial aid and scholarship opportunities. I joined TRIO and am an Opportunity Grant student. These resources have allowed me to focus on school and not worry so much about work. I would recommend to not be shy and to look for support systems and reach out for guidance from the BTC staff.

What inspired you to go into the trades?
I have two brothers that are Industrial Technicians, and I’ve seen them be quite successful in the trades field. I’ve also always enjoyed hands-on work and have recently developed an interest in technology as it seems to be progressing at a rapid pace. There is a window of opportunity in the industry as many older technicians are retiring, and I want to fill those shoes.

What has been your experience learning at BTC so far?
My experience learning at BTC has been quite pleasant. I have been fortunate enough to have good instructors along the way. I won’t say it was easy, but definitely worth it.

Have you experienced any challenges and, if so, how did you overcome them?
A challenge I have had to overcome is learning the math necessary for the Mechatronics program. I tackled this challenge by reaching out to my peers and working with them to better understand the material. One of the most important things I learned early on, is that you only get out as much you put into the work. Nothing worthwhile comes easily.

How did you hear about BTC?
I did research online and saw BTC was one of the best technical colleges in Washington State. After doing a campus tour and getting to know the staff and faculty, I was more than happy to attend.

How many classes did you take?
It varies. I have been taking 15 - 20 credits the past few quarters. I should be graduating in the summer of 2021 and am beyond excited!

What else would you like us to know about your educational journey?
I have a few job leads around the region in the solar and fossil fuel industries and am also considering continuing my education by getting my Bachelor’s of Science in Operations Management here at BTC.
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T 4/6-5/25 6-8:30 p.m.

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W 3/24-4/21 6-8:30 p.m.
M 4/9-5/17 6-8:30 p.m.
W 5/19-6/16 6-8:30 p.m.

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SaSu 4/10-4/11 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
SaSu 6/12-6/13 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*
W 4/14-5/12 6-8:30 p.m.
W 5/19-6/23 6-8:30 p.m.

Comfort Techniques for Labor & Birth *FREE*
Th 4/8 6-8:30 p.m.
Th 5/13 6-8:30 p.m.

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Sa 4/24 10-11 a.m.
Sa 5/22 10-11 a.m.
Sa 6/26 10-11 a.m.

BABY CONNECTIONS

Bringing Baby Home *FREE*
M 4/19-5/24 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Baby ’N’ Me (1-7 months) *FREE*
W 4/21-6/9 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Baby ’N’ Me (8-12 months) *FREE*
M 4/19-6/14 2:30-4:30 p.m.

FAMILY CONNECTIONS: ADULT DISCUSSIONS

Raising Toddlers & Preschoolers $79
T 5/11-6/8 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.

Exploring with Toddlers $149
M 4/12-6/21 9 a.m.
Note: This class is for 2 year olds.
T 4/13-6/15 9 a.m.
Note: This class is for 1 year olds.

More Than One (0–5) $149
W 4/14-6/16 9 a.m.
Th 4/15-6/17 9 a.m.
F 4/16-6/18 9 a.m.

CHILD & FAMILY STUDIES CLASSES WILL BE ONLINE ONLY

Raising School Age Children $79
Th 4/15-5/6 6:30-8 p.m.
Th 5/13-6/3 6:30-8 p.m.
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• 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.

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