WHAT'S HAPPENING AT BTC

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START PLANNING ON FINANCIAL AID
SUBMIT YOUR FAFSA OR WASFA NOW.

Priority Deadline for Winter Quarter Funding is November 1, 2021

**FINANCIAL AID STEPS**
What Academic Year Are You Starting?

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AREAS OF STUDY

ADVANCED MANUFACTURING
Industrial Maintenance & Mechatronics
Instrumentation & Control Technology
Machining
Process Technology
Water & Wastewater Treatment
Welding & Fabricating Technology

ALLIED HEALTH
Dental Assisting
Dental Hygiene
Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)
Expanded Functions Dental Auxiliary
Medical Administration
Nursing (DTA/MRP, PN, LPN–RN)
Nursing Assistant
Radiologic Technology
Surgery Technology
Veterinary Technician

BUSINESS
Accounting Technician
Administrative Assistant
Business (DTA/MRP)
Business Management
Human Resources Specialist
Office Assistant
Operations Management Certificate
Social Media Marketing

CULINARY ARTS
Culinary Arts
Pastry Arts

ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY
Civil
Clean Energy
Composites
Electronics Technician
Geomatics
Mechanical Design

FISHERIES & AQUACULTURE SCIENCES
Fisheries & Aquaculture Sciences
Fisheries & Aquatic Sciences–Transfer

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY
Electrician
HVAC & Refrigeration

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
Computer Networking Articulation to a Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity from WWU
Cloud Computing
Computer Network Management
Computer Network Support
Computer Support Specialist

TRANSPORTATION
Auto Collision Repair Technology
Automotive Technology
Diesel Technology

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BTC’S TRANSFER OPTIONS
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2 BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREES:
Operations Management (Fully Online)
Engineering Technology (Fully Online)

Many BTC programs are cohort model and only start once a year. To be eligible to register, complete Admissions Steps 1, 2, 3 at: www.btc.edu/Admissions, or meet with an Admissions Specialist www.btc.edu/AdmissionsAppointment
STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

TEHZEEB ARIF
IMPACT! Student

What is your name?
Tehzeeb Arif

What made you decide to attend the IMPACT! program?
I decided on the IMPACT! program because it seemed like the best opportunity for me given my circumstances of not graduating high school. It’s a great program and my teachers encouraged me to do it.

What has been your experience learning in IMPACT! so far?
It’s been good! All the teachers have been helpful. I like my teachers, I also like the GED practice book, and the whole schedule.

After you obtain your GED, what program(s) would you like to pursue at BTC?
I’m interested in the dental hygiene program! I get to help people and I like the vibe. I talk to my dentist pretty often asking questions about their job and I watch a dental hygienist YouTuber to know how it goes and what it’s like.

What would you tell another student who was wondering if they should attend IMPACT!?
I would tell them, “definitely go for it. It’s a great opportunity and a great program. There’s not a lot of places that have this opportunity. I’m really thankful for it.”

Have you experienced any challenges and, if so, how did you overcome them?
Only a few, not many. When I first did my language arts (GED) test I missed by one point. That and having to work from home during COVID.

How would you rate the tasty snacks BTC provides by the sign-in sheet? A high 9 or simply a 10?
I would say a 10!

What else would you like us to know about your educational journey?
The IMPACT! program makes me feel really hopeful about my future. It’s something to look forward to. It makes me really happy that I have the opportunity and I’m thankful for it.
How long have you been an instructor?
I started in the fall of 2016.

What do you find is the most effective for motivating your students to stay involved in the IMPACT! program?
All IMPACT! students are required to complete their GED before moving on to pursuing a BTC program. And, as many students have learned, the GED is a grind. Taking time in class to explore their goals beyond the GED is a good long-term motivator. Also, when focus drags, I always remind them that they’re in a unique program that fully supports their education until they’re 21. In other words, “What do you want do? Because we have your back.”

How do you build teacher-student relationships in Impact!?
Grabbing a chair and having a quick chat about what’s going on in their life. It’s super simple, but it magically humanizes us robotic teachers. Once they know we’re people (and I’m 99% sure we are), they tend to lower their guard. I also attempt to use slang I’m way too old for. It always garners well-deserved cringes, but it helps clear any stuffiness attached to school.

What are the best interventions?
We always do our best as instructors to help. However, if the circumstances are out of our scope, we lean heavily on the top-notch counselors here at BTC. They are an incredible resource for us.

How do you build positive engagement to improve class participation?
Day-to-day life tends to be very hectic and unpredictable for most of our students. In the classroom, however, I like to keep things light and undercut the seriousness that’s associated with gaining educational credentials. Once they understand the world won’t crumble if it takes time to understand how to solve inequalities in math, their minds become more receptive.

How many students have earned their GED through IMPACT!?
Since 2015, we’ve helped over 600 IMPACT! students get their GED.

What percent of IMPACT! students pursue college classes after their GED?
On average, about 55% of IMPACT! students take on college-level classes.

What do you enjoy about teaching in the IMPACT! program?
Seeing the maturation of our students. Students can enroll starting at the age of 16, so we have students who were just in high school. Learning how to operate in a college environment takes time for students. It is truly an on-going process figuring out how to navigate higher education, but when they turn that elusive corner, it’s a privilege to witness.
CONTINUING EDUCATION PORTFOLIO

OVER 250 OF BTC’S CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASSES 100% ONLINE: www.btc.edu/ContinuingEd

TECHNOLOGY & COMPUTERS
- Microsoft Office Suite: Beginner thru Advanced
- Data Analytics & Power BI
- Cybersecurity Certification

HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
- SHRM: Essentials of Human Resources
- SHRM: Exam Prep for CP & SCP
- SHRM: Continuing Education classes for CDUs

LEADERSHIP & BUSINESS SKILLS
- Essentials of Project Management
- PMP Exam Prep (CPM and PMP)
- Certificate in Planning and Inventory Mgt (CPIM)
- Leadership & Org Development
- Lean Six Sigma (Yellow & Green Belt Certification)

INDUSTRY & TRADES CERTIFICATIONS
- Welding, Flagging & Forklift
- Building Trades & Home Inspection
- High Risk Organization Training

HEALTH & WELLNESS
- CPR & First Aid
- Healthcare Professionals Training
- Self-Care & Wellbeing

PERSONAL ENRICHMENT
- Recreation & Leisure
- Food & Beverage
- Hobbies & Interests

INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CLOCK HOURS & CDUs AVAILABLE

BTC’s Customized Corporate Training provides convenient and flexible training services to help your business and employees meet their fullest potential. BTC will collaborate with you to design training solutions customized to fit the needs of your organization and your employees’ learning requirements, developing specific pathways to help your employees & business thrive. Training is available at your site, online or on our campus. All BTC Continuing Education Classes & Programs above can be customized to your corporate training.

Get started: CCE@btc.edu
## Child & Family Studies

### Childbirth

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<td>Preparation for Childbirth &amp; Parenting</td>
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<td>Pregnancy &amp; Childbirth</td>
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Course fees waived for those covered by WA Apple Health (Medicaid) waivers.

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<td>Raising School Age Children</td>
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<td>Raising Teens</td>
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### Childbirth Class Scholarships

PeaceHealth provides half-scholarships for all BTC Childbirth classes (up to $100/year) inquires at time of registration.

### Parenting Scholarships at BTC

Thanks to the BTC Foundation, IMCO General Construction, the Kiwanis Club of Bellingham & WECU, www.btc.edu/parentingscholarship.

The full list of Child & Family Classes, detailed descriptions, times & pricing can be found at www.btc.edu/familystudies or contact jknudsen@btc.edu.
START YOUR FINANCIAL AID PLANNING NOW TO ATTEND COLLEGE!

Financial aid applications for the next school year are OPEN NOW!

The FAFSA and WASFA open on October 1, 2021. Applications are for the 2022-2023 school year which includes summer quarter 2022 through spring quarter 2023. Completing one of these applications will allow you to be considered for various types of financial aid such as grants, scholarships, work study or loans available at Bellingham Technical College.

Which application should you complete? FAFSA or WASFA?

**FAFSA: Free Application for Federal Student Aid**

Students who are a U.S. Citizen or eligible noncitizen should complete the FAFSA. To apply, create an FSA ID at [https://fsaid.ed.gov](https://fsaid.ed.gov), then complete the application at [https://fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov). Tax filers are encouraged to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (DRT) to import income information.

**WASFA: Washington Application for State Financial Aid**

Students who are undocumented or do not qualify for federal financial aid because of their immigration status should complete the Washington Application for State Financial Aid (WASFA) at [https://wsac.wa.gov/wasfa](https://wsac.wa.gov/wasfa).

Get help completing your application:

Join us for our December event for help with completing your financial aid application:

- **December 1**, from 5:30-7:30pm, Virtual Event (Zoom)
- Registration and info at: [https://tinyurl.com/29h6fma4](https://tinyurl.com/29h6fma4)