Tacoma Community College Workforce Grants & Application Workshop

Workforce Education Department

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Virtual Lobby- Tuesday & Thursday 1pm-3pm Link to Zoom: https://tacomacc-edu.zoom.us/j/94203576830

Workforce Resource Center

ROOM 70

BFET

Early Achievers Grant

Opportunity Grant

Worker Retraining

WorkFirst

Community Partners



Today's Agenda

• Go over PowerPoint presentation to learn about Workforce programs • Complete and Submit the online Workforce Intake Application • Review the Workforce Student Checklist 3 Answer questions

Meet Our Team



Tamara Piñero, Office Manager



Tram Nguyen, Program Specialist



Jena McNeley, Financial Aid Specialist



Shine Lee, Administrative Assistant

Meet Our Navigators



Adam Meyers- Business, Paralegal,
Technology
Accounting, Business, Networking and Cyber Security,
Paralegal, VIE 25, Medical Billing, HIT



Tuyen Huynh- Specific Academic Transfer & Transitional Studies

ABE, ELA, HS+, Fresh Start, IBEST, CCPA



Dail Rodriguez- Healthcare
(Students last name A- K)
Allied Health, Nursing, Respiratory Therapy, Radiologic
Science, DMS, EMT, EMS



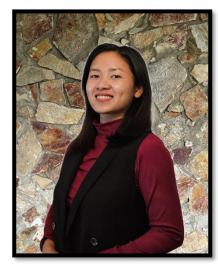
Chanry Yann- Healthcare
(Students last name L- Z)
Allied Health, Nursing, Respiratory Therapy,
Radiologic Science, DMS, EMT, EMS



Marisa Mezs- Early Childhood Education



Lorrie AnnResource & Outreach Navigator



Pwint KoKo- Bachelor Programs

What are the Workforce Education Grants?

WorkFirst

Basic Food Employment & Training (BFET)

Worker Retraining

Opportunity Grant

Early Achievers Grant

WorkFirst Eligibility Requirements

Must Be a Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF) Recipient Must Be Referred from a Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) Case Manager

Attendance Must Be Reported Weekly Through Canvas

Workfirst can assist with Professional-Technical Degrees, Certificates, and Academic Transfer Programs!

Basic Food Employment & Training (BFET) Eligibility Requirements







Must be Receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) CANNOT BE RECEIVING TANF

MONTHLY CHECK-INS WITH YOUR WORKFORCE NAVIGATOR IN CANVAS ARE REQUIRED

BFET can assist with Professional- Technical Degrees, Certificates, and specific Academic Transfer Programs!

Worker Retraining Eligibility Requirements

Currently Collecting Unemployment

Collected Unemployment in the Last 4 Years

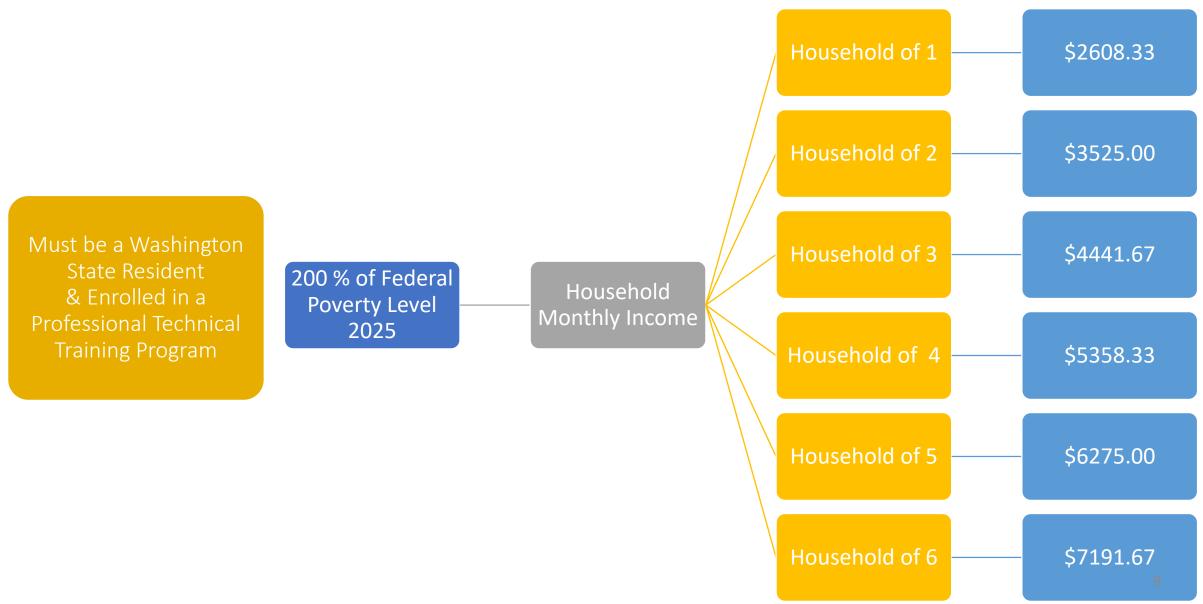
Discharged from Military Service in the Last 4 Years

Closed a State-licensed Business within the Last 4 Years

Became a Displaced Homemaker in the Last 4 Years and are Low-Income

Worker in Need of Skills Upgrade

Opportunity Grant Eligibility Requirements



State Grant for Early Childhood Education Students Who Are:

Early
Achievers Grant
Eligibility
Requirements

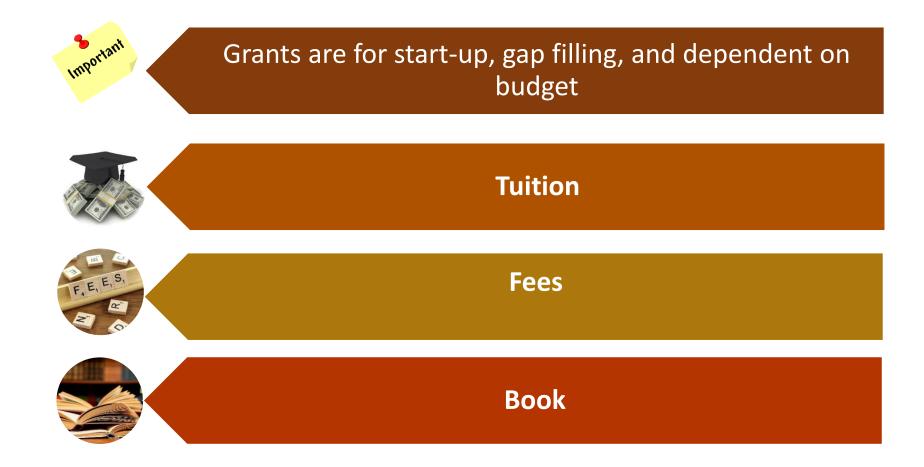
Working in a Daycare or Pre-school that is Early Achiever Certified

Worked at the Daycare or Preschool for the Last 3 Months

Worked at the Daycare or Preschool for the Last 3 Months for at least 40 Hours per Month

Significant Documentation and Monthly Contact with Workforce Navigator is Required

What Do Workforce Funds Cover?



Workforce Education Funding

- **Purpose of Grants**: Workforce Education Grants are not intended to cover the entire cost of a degree. They are designed to provide start-up and fill-in-gap assistance for specific needs related to education and training.
- Case-by-Case Basis: Funding assistance for tuition and required textbooks is provided on a case-by-case basis, contingent upon the availability of funds and the identification of a funding gap. This emphasizes that not all students may receive this assistance.
- Quarterly Determination: The allocation of funds for subsequent quarters is not guaranteed. Each quarter's funding is assessed independently, and students should not assume ongoing support beyond the current quarter.
- **Request for Funding**: To be considered for workforce funding, students must request funding for each quarter. This ensures that students actively communicate their needs and allows for a more flexible approach to disbursement.

Any questions?



Programs of Study Supported by Workforce Education

https://www.tacomacc.edu/help/ineedskillstofindaprofessionalcareer



Business, Paralegal, Technology Pathways

- Accounting, 5 certificates and AAS
- Business, 6 certificates and AAS
- Network and Cyber Security, AAS; Help Desk & Technical Support certificates
- Paralegal, AAS and Preferred Pro-cert



Healthcare Pathways

- Allied Health, AAS-T
- Nursing, RN, AAS-T; LPN to RN; NAC
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography, AAS
- Radiologic Science, AAS
- Respiratory Therapy, AAS
- Emergency Medical & Health Services, AAS; EMT and Paramedic certificates
- Health Information Technology, AAS; Medical Billing Specialist & Medical Scribe Certificates



Education & Human Services Pathways

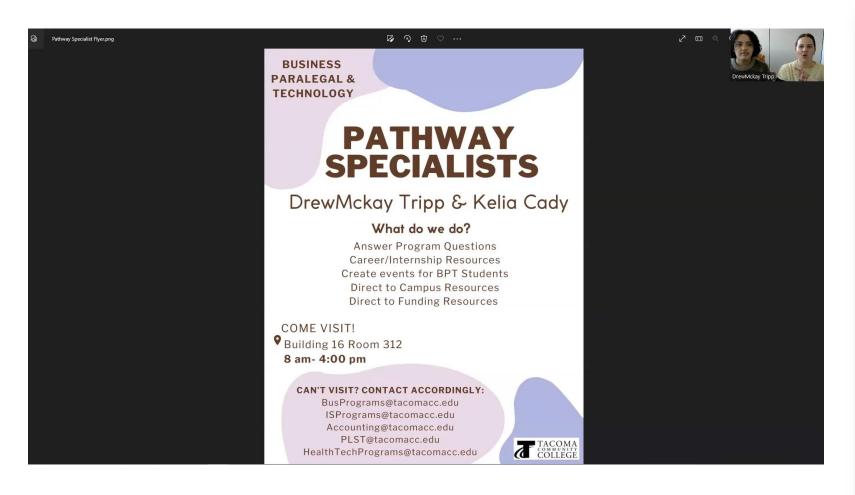
- Early Childhood Education, 3 stackable certificates and AAS
- Human Services, AAS; CDC certificate and Case Aid cert

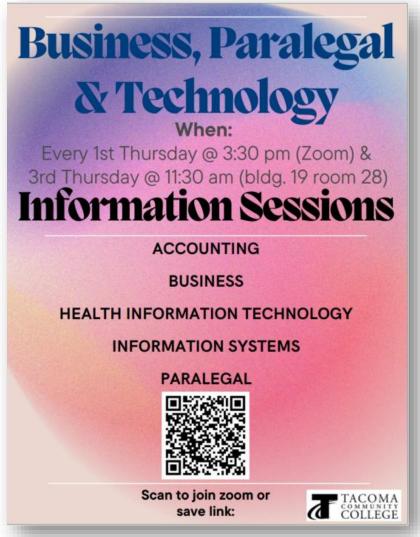


BFET and WorkFirst Grants are also available to help with specific academic transfer programs such as Business DTA, Computer Science, Biology, and more. More programs can be found at

https://www.tacomacc.edu/help/transfertocollege

Attend a Business, Paralegal, & Technology Information Session to learn more about programs!





www.tacomacc.edu/bus-para-tech

Attend a Healthcare Pathways Information Session to learn more about programs!



Contact to help you navigate your pathway to a career in Healthcare.

Email: <u>healthprograms@tacomacc.edu</u>

www.tacomacc.edu/healthcareers



Workforce Education also Supports

Basic Education for Adults and ELA

https://www.tacomacc.edu/academics-programs/basic-education/

High School Completion Programs

Adult Basic Education Classes

English
Language
Acquisition

Career and College Pathway Academy-Offered depending on the quarters

• Learning Communities: In Learning Communities, two or more of your classes are joined into one, and teachers work together to connect their content and support and mentor you.

<u>Allied Health Exploration</u> (8 credits/hybrid): Gain an introduction to the delivery of healthcare services and explore the various Allied Health professions while strategizing and sharing successful strategies for the college classroom, clinical environment, and taking care of your own emotional and physical wellbeing.

Financial Aid

FAFSA

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

All Workforce Students Must Complete The Free Application for Federal Student Aid Each Year

FAFSA and WASFA
Completion Assistance:
Sauna, Khushnum

(253)722-3429

ksauna@mdc-hope.org

FAFSA Tips

Complete Application By Priority Deadline, or as Soon as Possible

FAFSA completion is based off of completion of FAFSA, application to TCC, and all requested documents being submitted.

Make sure you have a profile created for yourself and spouse if you are married.

Helpful Hints

Check Out Important Information About Financial Aid at TCC Website

Self- enrollment in Financial Aid and Planning Canvas is essential for success, you can self-enroll from the TCC Financial Aid Page

Check Your Student Email and CTCLink, "To Do" Box Closely Follow-up with any Additional Needed Actions

Keep in mind

Grants: Grants do not have to be paid back, as long as you maintain satisfactory academic progress.

Scholarships: Scholarships do not have to be paid back, and are awarded for academic merit, financial need, athletic or artistic talent, community involvement and fields of study.

Federal or State Work-study: These programs provide an opportunity to earn a portion of your financial aid through part time employment, both on- and off-campus. Funds are very limited.

Loans: Loans must be repaid.

Check TCC Financial Aid Page for more information

Working While Attending School

Options to Consider



- Request for Federal or State Work Study from the Financial Aid Office, then apply for a Workstudy Position
- Recommend to check the Box on Your FAFSA about Workstudy
- Look for Part-time Work in Your Field of Study if Possible

Employment Resources



- TCC career center (https://www.tacomacc.edu/tcc-life/career center)
- Worksource Pierce (https://worksource-pierce.org/)

Workforce Community Partners On-Campus

We are thrilled to introduce the incredible community partners who work alongside us to support our students' success! These dedicated organizations offer valuable resources and services that can make a real difference in the academic journey.

Career Team

Days: Tuesdays

- Meet with Audrey for assistance with education, employment, and training resources, including job search, connections to WIOA programs, and other resources.
- Click here to schedule an appointment with Audrey

Northwest Education Access

Days: Wednesdays & Thursdays

- Meet with Haley to explore educational supports and connect with a NWEdA Advocate who can provide guidance and resources tailored to your needs.
- <u>Contact Workforce to make an appointment.</u>

United Way: Financial Coach

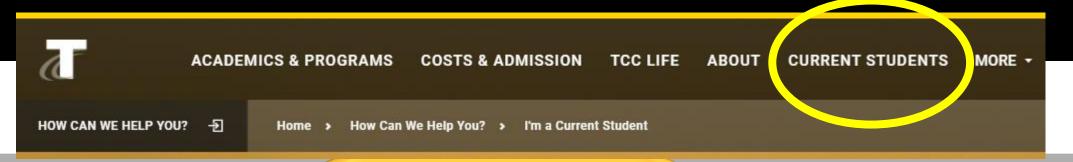
Days: Monday-Tuesday, Thursday-Friday

- Meet with Charisma to plan your financial future, focusing
- on budgeting, expense management, credit building, and savings strategies.
- Attend the Financial Literacy
 101 workshop offered by
 Charisma.
- Click here to schedule a one-onone appointment with Charisma.

Student Services

TCC Makes a Commitment to Every Student that No Matter Where You Start or What You Hope to Achieve, We Will Educate and Support You, and Provide You with Opportunities to Help Meet Your Goals

https://www.tacomacc.edu/help/im-a-current-student



TCC Help Center Website

- Academic Advising
 - Counseling
 - Food Pantry
- Technical Assistance
 - Laptops
 - Hot Spots
- Access Services Support for Those Needing Accommodations
 - Tutoring virtual and In-Person
 - Open Educational Resources (OER)
 - Workforce Navigators

Putting together the puzzle pieces to meet all of your needs to achieve your goal!

Learn about campus, community and government resources, receive guidance with applying for food and health benefits, get direct referral to community programs.

Contact:

Lorrie Ann, Resource Navigator 253-566-5247

lann@tacomacc.edu

Click here to schedule an appointment with me

Visit Resources Page

www.tacomacc.edu/workforce/resources

Time to Begin Your Workforce Intake Application & Checklist

To Become a Workforce Student

Complete the Workforce Intake Application

Complete the Workforce Student Checklist

The Link to the Intake Application is below & Checklist Can Be Found in the Confirmation email

Click Here To Complete The Workforce Intake Application

Contact The Workforce Education Department If You Need any Assistance 253.566.5188 Email: tccworkforce@tacomacc.edu www.tacomacc.edu/workforce

Note: Please be aware that the Workforce Education Grants are not designed to pay for entire degrees. Students who are eligible for Workforce Education Grants may get first-quarter funding assistance to cover tuition and/or required textbooks on a case-by-case basis if funds are available and a gap in funding is identified. Funding for subsequent quarters is determined on a quarter-by-quarter basis and is not guaranteed. If you would like to be considered for the Workforce funding you must request funding every quarter.