TACOMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Workforce Education

WORKFORCE EDUCATION FALL QUARTER NEWSLETTER

››› Fall Resource Fair – Save the Date

Mark your calendars for our Fall 2026 Resource Fair on **Wednesday, October 14 2026**! Building on the strong participation and partnerships from previous Resource Fairs, this event once again brings together community partners, organizations, and service providers to connect with students and our campus community to share valuable resources, and strengthen local collaborations.

Partner registration is now open, sign up early to secure your spot and join us in making a difference!

[Register Here: Fall 2026 Community Resource Fair]



409 Workforce Students Awarded Credentials in the 2025-2026 School Year!
Incudes Certificates, Associate's Degrees, and Bachelor's Degrees!

TCC is enrolling for Fall Quarter!

TCC offers a wide range of opportunities, including stackable certificate programs, associate's degrees, and bachelor's degrees, allowing students to begin with a certificate, build toward an associate degree, and progress to a bachelor's degree in support of their career and educational goals.

Classes start Monday, September 21, 2026.

[Check out TCC Programs]

Job & Career Connection Series

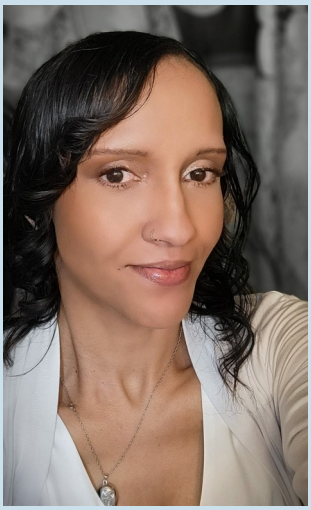
In partnership with WorkSource Pierce, we are proud to offer Job & Career Connections, a weekly workshop series designed to helps students strengthen their job search skills, connect with career resources, and prepare for employment during school and beyond.

Every Wednesday, beginning the second week of each quarter.

[Check Out Workforce Events]

Would you like a presentation for your staff or customers?
Please contact our Lead Outreach Navigator, Lorrie Ann @ lann@tacomacc.edu 253-566-5247

››› A Journey of Resilience and Purpose



As a Certified Nursing Assistant and Mental Health Technician Jasmine Wuertz–Williams has dedicated years to serving others and building strong foundation in healthcare. Her passion for learning, leadership, and community service has guided her journey to expand her knowledge and create a greater impact.

Jasmine began her educational journey at Clover Park Technical College before transferring to Tacoma Community College's Allied Health program. Through her studies, she developed essential skills in healthcare, leadership, and human relations, strengthening her ability to communicate effectively, build meaningful relationships, and advocate for community wellness.

Balancing school, work, and raising five children brought many challenges, including times when she had to pause her education. Through determination, perseverance, and the support of those around her, Jasmine continued moving forward toward her goals. Her journey demonstrates that success is possible with focus, persistence, and a strong support system.

Jasmine graduated this summer with an Associate in Applied Science degree in Allied Health and will begin the Bachelor of Applied Science in Community Health program at TCC this fall. Her education has prepared her to expand her nonprofit organization, develop structured community programs, and continue advocating for positive change. For Jasmine, success means setting goals, staying humble, overcoming challenges, and finishing strong. Graduating with High Honors is not only an academic achievement but also a powerful example for her five children, demonstrating that perseverance and dedication lead to excellence.

Throughout her journey, Jasmine was supported by her academic advisor, Alina Cordova, Workforce Education navigators, and fellow students, whose guidance and encouragement helped her balance her responsibilities while staying focused on her goals. Her greatest motivation came from her five children, whose love and belief in her kept her moving forward during difficult times. Looking ahead, Jasmine plans to use her education to grow her nonprofit and create programs that strengthen and support her community. Her story is a reminder that success is not defined by where you begin, but by the determination to keep moving forward.

Her advice to future students is simple: stay focused, use available resources, and remember your purpose. With resilience and support, success is possible. Her favorite quotes that have guided her journey are: "If you stay ready, you don't have to get ready," and "Either you can win with me, or watch me win."

Congratulations, Jasmine, on your graduation! Your dedication to your education, family and community is truly inspiring. We wish you continued success as you begin your Bachelor of Applied Science in Community Health program at TCC and look forward to seeing the positive impact you will make.

››› Meet WorkSource Pierce Career Advisor, Audrey Larson



Audrey is a Career Advisor at WorkSource Pierce, where she has supported job seekers for the past two years. She has also served as the on-campus Career Advisor at Tacoma Community College for the past year, meeting with students each Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Building 19, Room 70. In addition to providing individual career advising, Audrey leads resume workshops on campus and helps students strengthen their job search strategies. Students can schedule an appointment with her in Building 19 or through the TCC website.

Before entering workforce development, Audrey worked as a caregiver and as a freelance marketing professional. These experiences shaped her commitment to service and her ability to help individuals present their strengths with clarity and confidence. Audrey's advising approach is open, friendly, and centered on empowering students to take the lead in their career journey. She specializes in career readiness support, resume and application strategies, modern job-search tools, and interview techniques. Her goal is for every student to walk away with something new that brings them one step closer to meaningful employment.

Meet Our On-Campus Workforce Community Partners

Resources and Support to Reach Career Goals

We invite our community partners to share this opportunity with clients who have been laid off or are looking to upgrade their skills. TCC's Worker Retraining and other Workforce Programs provide funding, guidance, and support as your clients pursue education and training. With more than 40 stackable certificate programs, associate degrees, and bachelor's degree options, TCC offers clear pathways that help individuals achieve both academic and career goals.

Students can sign up for Fall Quarter Funding Application Workshops by scanning the QR code or visiting our website

ZOOM Mondays 10:00am
In-person Tuesdays 2:00pm & Wednesdays 10:00am

No Workshop

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Enrolling now for FALL Quarter!

FALL Quarter Starts on Monday, September 21st, 2026.

››› WORKFORCE HAS FIVE FUNDING PROGRAMS

- Worker Retraining Grant
- WorkFirst Grant
- Basic Food Employment & Training Grant
- Opportunity Grant
- Early Achievers Grant

Connect with us today!

Reminder: *TCC Welcome Center is located in building 8 on campus. They are a one-stop shop for potential and new students to get help with starting at TCC.*

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