

# BSD COLLEGE CONFERENCE SERIES

JANUARY 24 - FEBRUARY 29, 2024

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## WELCOME!

### Washington Technical Colleges Panel

Presenters:

Will Smith, Outreach and Recruitment, Coordinator, Lake Washington Institute of Technology

Eva Juarez, Renton Technical College, Director of Outreach and Recruitment

Kaylee House, Digipen Institute of Technology, Admissions Representative

**Session A- 6:40-7:10**

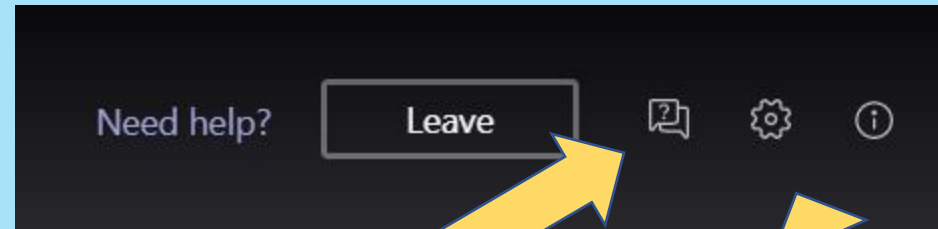
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**Session B- 7:20 – 7:50**

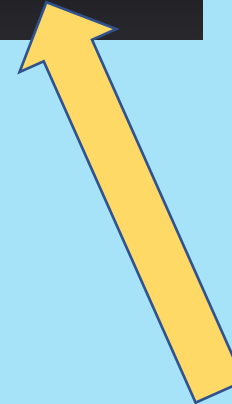
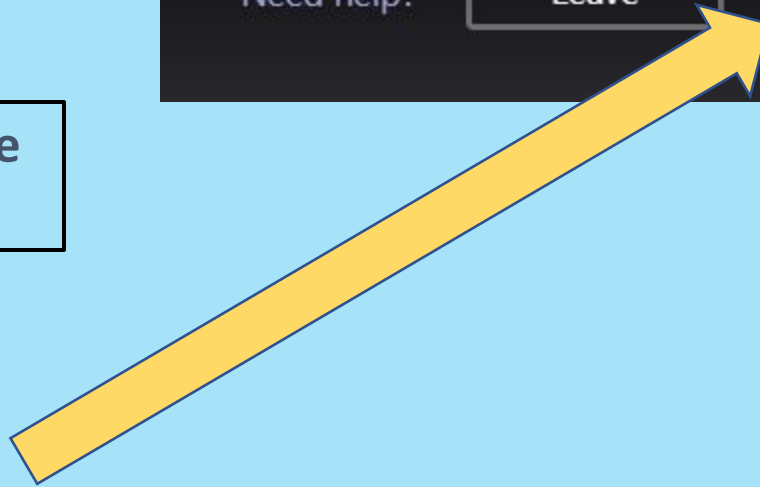
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**8:00 – 8:30**

# Questions will be answered as time allows



Go to the 'Q & A' feature to ask a question



Ask a question

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Español, 简体中文 Simplified Chinese, 傳統漢 Traditional Chinese, हिंदी Hindi, 한국어 Korean and Việt Vietnamese



**Welcome to RTC**



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# Why College?



# SBCTC.edu

34 Technical and community college in Washington State



# Technical College

There are 5 technical colleges in the State of Washington.

- Bates Technical College 
- Bellingham Technical College 
- Clover Park Technical College 
- Lake Washington Institute of Technology 
- Renton Technical College 





# What to Study?



# What Type of Training?

- 4 Year Public/Private College
- **2 Year Community College**
- **2 Year Technical College**
- Apprenticeships ([bitly.com/apprenticeshipguidebook](https://bitly.com/apprenticeshipguidebook))
- Military



"Traditional"  
Colleges  
& Universities



Community  
Colleges &  
Junior Colleges



Comprehensive  
Institutions



U.S.A. Military  
Academies



Specialized  
Colleges



# How About Construction?

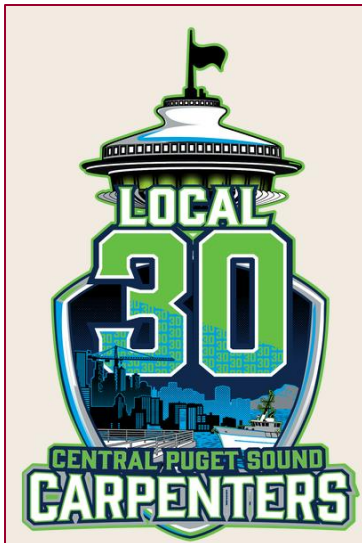
## Carpenter Apprentice

Apprenticeship (Earn While You Learn!)

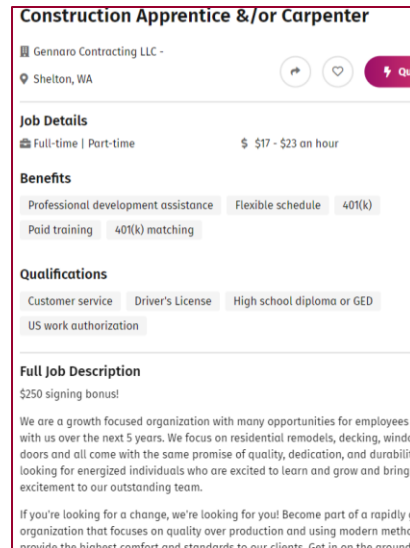
\$45,000 average annual salary

### How does it work?

Direct Union



OR Get Hired!



OR Pre-Apprentice Construction Training



Only 13 weeks & FREE! with Financial Aid  
 Trades Math  
 OSHA Certification  
 Hands-on experience  
 in a wide range of trades  
 Preferential placement on apprentice lists

# Why a Community/Technical College

- Cheaper \$\$\$
- Smaller Classes
- 40% of all bachelor's graduates from public universities in Washington start at a community & technical college



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# Why a Technical College?

- Hands-on skill based education
- Higher job placement rates
- Higher completion rates



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# Paying For College?

- Technical or Community College \$ 5,962
- UW Seattle, UW Bothell, UW Tacoma \$12,017
- WSU Pullman \$15,300
- Private vocational, career schools (approx.) \$15,000
- Private 4-year colleges and universities approx.) \$35,000

These are estimated tuition rates for full-time undergraduate Washington resident students. *Room, board, transportation and other fees vary per student.*

# Paying For College?

Complete your FAFSA or WAFSA online for free

[www.studentaid.gov](http://www.studentaid.gov)

or

[www.wsac.wa.gov/wasfa](http://www.wsac.wa.gov/wasfa)



# Paying For College?



## Outside Scholarships

- [www.thewashboard.org](http://www.thewashboard.org)
- [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)
- [www.wsac.wa.gov](http://www.wsac.wa.gov)



# Applying to RTC is Easy!

## Visit RTC.edu

1. Complete your application: [rtc.edu/get-started](http://rtc.edu/get-started)
2. Explore funding options: [rtc.edu/financial-aid](http://rtc.edu/financial-aid)
3. Connect with an Entry Advisor: [rtc.edu/advising](http://rtc.edu/advising)
4. Register for classes & pay tuition: [rtc.edu/registration](http://rtc.edu/registration)



# Programs

- **Band Instrument Repair**
- **Commercial Building Engineering**
- **Commercial Refrigeration Technology**
- **Electrical Plant Maintenance**
- **Engineering Design Technology**
- **Industrial Engineering**
- **Land Surveying Technician-Geospatial Science**
- **Machining Technologies (CNC)**
- **Manufacturing & Fabrications Technologies**
- **Mechatronics**
- **Property Maintenance**
- **Welding**



# Programs

- Accounting Clerk
- Accounting Paraprofessional
- Accounting Specialist
- Associate of Business DTA/MRP Transfer Degree (Major Related Program)
- Construction Management
- Contemporary Business
- Entrepreneurship
- Legal Assistant
- Office Assistant





# Culinary Arts

- Certificate of Completion:
  - 6 Quarters
  - 95.5 Credits
- Associate of Applied Science:
  - 8 Quarters
  - 115.5 Credits



# Professional Baking

- Certificate of Completion:
  - 4 Quarters
  - 67 Credits



# Programs

- Learn English ESL/ELL
- Complete your HS Diploma: HS+, Youth HS, GED
- I-BEST
- Reading, Writing, Math
- Bridge Classes- Explore Career Training programs or continue to build your skills for just \$25



# Programs

- Allied Health Clinical Engineer
- Allied Health Project Manager
- Anesthesia Technologist
- Associate of Pre-Nursing DTA/MRP Transfer Degree
- Central Service Technician
- Dental Assistant
- Early Childhood Education
- Health Care Navigator
- Massage Therapy Practitioner
- Medical Assistant
- Medical Coding Specialist
- Nursing Assistant
- Pharmacy Technician & Pharmacy Assistant
- Phlebotomy
- Registered Nurse
- Revenue Management Specialist
- Surgical Technologist
- Veterinary Assistant





# Programs

- **Associate of Computer Science**  
**DTA/MRP Transfer Degree**
- **Cloud Network Technology**
- **Computer Science**
- **Cybersecurity Analyst**

## Bachelor of Applied Science

### **Application Development** **Network Engineering**



# Programs

- Autobody Repair & Finishing
  - Certificate: 4 Quarters
  - AAS: 5 Quarters
- Automotive Technology
  - Certificate: 7 Quarters
  - AAS: 8 Quarters
- Ford ASSET
  - AAS 8 Quarters



# Running Start/ Dual Credit

## Information Sessions

All sessions begin at 5 p.m. and will be virtual via Zoom. Information Sessions are OPTIONAL and not required for admission.

Review [Running Start Information Session slides](#).

- [Wednesday, February 21, 2024](#)

- Meeting ID: 815 8386 0285  
Passcode: 925563

- [Wednesday, March 20, 2024](#)

- Meeting ID: 818 7937 2176  
Passcode: 318763

- [Tuesday, April 9, 2024](#)

- Meeting ID: 844 3295 5076  
Passcode: 960954

- [Thursday, May 2, 2024](#)

- Meeting ID: 818 7080 9055  
Passcode: 999674

- [Tuesday, May 14, 2024](#)

- Meeting ID: 881 7391 0576  
Passcode: 136364

- [Thursday, June 6, 2024](#)

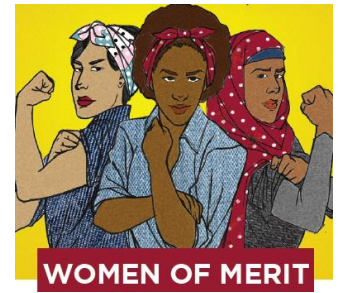
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## CONTACT



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# Support Resources



## Free On-Campus Resources

- Parking
- Tutoring- LRCC
- Career Center
- Flu / Covid-19 Shots
- Orca Vouchers
- Career Services
- Housing Assistance
- Childcare Vouchers
- Food & Coffee Pantry
- Behavioral Health Counseling
- Quarterly Citizenship Workshops
- Funding for Clubs & Organizations
- Loaner Textbook, Calculators & Computers

## Support Groups

- **Men of Merit & Women of Merit**
  - Intended to foster sister & brotherhood between self-identified women & men of color at RTC.
- **Lavender Network**
  - Seeks to educate, inspire, encourage, and support humans who identify among the LGBTQ+ communities. This affinity group was established for transgender, intersex, asexual, pansexual, bisexual, queer, questioning, lesbian, gay, and similarly identifying humans.





# **WorkFirst Program**

## **TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)**

### **RTC contractor code: 3AU**

- Tuition & Book Assistance
- Supplies, Transportation, Hygiene, Emergency Funding
- Test Fees
- Allied Health Castle Branch
- Childcare (paid by DSHS)
- Computer Loaner
- WorkFirst Work-Study
- Transition to College
- Transition to Financial Aid, Scholarships, Workforce grants
- Graduation
- Resource referrals
- Case Management (DSHS, Mid-Quarter Progress and Enrollment)
- Transition to full time Employment



<https://rtc.edu/workfirst>



[www.rtc.edu/Get-Started](http://www.rtc.edu/Get-Started)

- Text: 425-448-3416
- Email: [outreach@RTC.edu](mailto:outreach@RTC.edu)
- Phone: 425-235-6353
- Zoom: [RTC.edu/zoom-lobby](https://rtc.edu/zoom-lobby)



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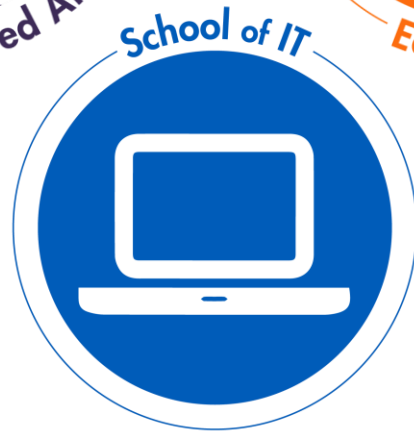




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# Best Trade/Technical School in the Pacific Northwest!

-Seattle Times 2023





## **Bachelor of Science, Computer Science**

- 4<sup>th</sup> Community and Technical College to implement this degree
- Started this January, Winter 2024
- 180 Credits

## **WWU Bachelor of Science, Cybersecurity @ LWTech**

- Unique 2+2 Program Pathway
  - AAS-T in Cyber Security and Network Technology from LWTech
- BS program: Evening and Weekend Classes

## **Brand New Center of Design Building**

- 56,000 gross sqft facility
- Art, Design, Information Technology, and Engineering
- Tentative opening 2025

# Ready to Become a Lion?

**No Essays**

**No Minimum GPA**

**No SAT/ACT**



**Open Door College!!!**



**Connect**



**Apply**



**Register**

**LWTech.edu/GetStarted**







# DigiPen By the Numbers

THE **1<sup>ST</sup>**

DigiPen is the first school in the world to offer a bachelor's degree in **VIDEO GAME PROGRAMMING**

**10** DEGREE PROGRAMS

*8 undergraduate, 2 graduate*

**19**

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE



**2,000+**

Our graduates have shipped more than 2,000 commercial games.

**#1** WA

Highest median earnings after attending among Washington state colleges. (collegescorecard.ed.gov)

## AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

**442**

Our student films have earned 442 awards and festival selections.

**TOP 5**

Ranked as a Top 5 Video Game Design School by the Princeton Review for the last 13 years.

**57** IGF AWARDS

More than any other school in the world

**278**

Our students have won 278 awards for game projects and academic papers.

All information is accurate as of November 2022.



# Degree Programs at DigiPen

Our eight undergraduate and two graduate degree programs fall into four general categories.

## Computer Science

- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science in Machine Learning
- Master of Science in Computer Science

## Game Design and Development Degrees

- Bachelor of Arts in Game Design
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Game Design
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science in Real-Time Interactive Simulation

## Digital Art and Animation

- Bachelor of Fine Arts in Digital Art and Animation
- Master of Fine Arts in Digital Arts

## Music and Audio Degrees

- Bachelor of Arts in Music and Sound Design
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Digital Audio



# Academic Approach



## Academic Fundamentals

- Knowledge and Theory
- Lecture classes
- Individual study and assignments



## Project Learning

- Application
- Project classes (making games, animations, etc.)
- Interdisciplinary teams





# Questions? Contact us!

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- ***www.digipen.edu***

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