

YOUR GUIDE

TO MONTANA'S TWO-YEAR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT Certificate and Degree Programs



Postsecondary Educational Opportunities

Apprenticeship: Apprenticeship training is on-the-job training in high demand jobs. An apprenticeship is a paid job and includes classroom lessons to ensure mastery of all aspects of the job. To learn the skills needed, the apprentice is trained by journeyman and master craftsmen who are experts in their field. For more information on apprenticeship opportunities, go to: <http://wsd.dli.mt.gov/apprenticeship/default.asp>.

Associate of Applied Science (AAS): The Associate of Applied Science degree is designed to lead the individual directly to employment in a specific career. In general, approximately 1/3 of the work will be in general education. The AAS is comprised of 60 - 72 credits and students should be able to complete the program in about two academic years, if they are academically prepared in math and writing.

Associate of Arts (AA) / Associate of Science (AS): The Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees prepare the student to transfer to an upper division bachelor's degree program. The AA gives emphasis to those majoring in the arts, humanities, social sciences, and similar areas. The AS gives emphasis to those majoring in agriculture, engineering and technology, and the sciences with substantial requirements in math and sciences. Approximately 1/2 of the work required will be in general education. This degree does not officially include a major or minor course of study.

Certificate of Applied Science (CAS): The Certificate of Applied Science is a short program of study designed to prepare the student for entry-level employment in a specific career. The CAS is comprised of 30 - 45 credits with limited general education. Students should be able to complete the CAS in one calendar year or less, if they are academically prepared in math and writing.

Professional Certificate: Professional Certificate programs are intended to prepare an individual for an occupational work area by focusing on developing the unique skill-set required for that position. These programs may allow students to qualify for a new job, achieve a promotion, explore a new career, or provide documented/credentialed study in a specific field or area of expertise. These programs are less than 30 credits, have little or no general education credits, and may be completed in 1-2 semesters.

Bachelor Degree: The Bachelor Degree is awarded after completion of undergraduate course work usually taking eight semesters and 120 credits to complete. Course work for bachelor's degrees is done at the undergraduate level and is made up of general studies and major specific classes.

Programs of a similar nature have been grouped. For information on these or other Associate, Certificate, and Professional Certificate programs, please contact:

THE UM - HELENA COT

1115 N. Roberts Street, Helena, MT 59601
800-241-4882 or 406-444-6800
<http://www.umhelena.edu>

THE UM COT in Missoula

909 South Avenue W., Missoula, MT 59801
800-542-6882 or 406-243-7882
<http://www.cte.umt.edu>

MSU BILLINGS COT

3803 Central Avenue, Billings, MT 59102
800-565-MSUB or 406-247-3000
<http://www.msubitllings.edu/cot>

MONTANA TECH OF THE UM COT

25 Basin Creek Road, Butte, MT 59701
406-496-3716
http://www.mtech.edu/cot_tech

MSU - GREAT FALLS COT

2100 16th Avenue S., Great Falls, MT 59405
800-446-2698 or 406-771-4300
<http://www.msugf.edu>

GALLATIN COLLEGE PROGRAMS

101 Hamilton Hall, Bozeman, MT 59717
406-994-5536
<http://www.montana.edu/gallatincollege/>

MSU - NORTHERN

P.O. Box 7751, Havre, MT 59501
800-662-6132 or 406-265-3700
<http://www.msun.edu>

MSU BILLINGS

1500 University Drive, Billings, MT 59101
800-565-6782 or 406-657-2888
<http://www.msubitllings.edu>

THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA WESTERN

710 South Atlantic, Dillon, MT 59725
877-683-7331 or 406-683-7011
<http://www.umwestern.edu>

DAWSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

P.O. Box 421, Glendive, MT 59330
800-821-8320 or 406-377-3396
<http://www.dawson.edu>

FLATHEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

777 Grandview Drive, Kalispell, MT 59901
406-756-3822
<http://www.fvcc.edu>

MILES COMMUNITY COLLEGE

2715 Dickinson, Miles City, MT 59301
800-541-9281 or 406-874-6100
<http://www.milescc.edu>

UNIVERSITY OF GREAT FALLS

1301 20th Street S., Great Falls, MT 59405
800-856-9544 or 406-791-5200
<http://www.ugf.edu>

CARROLL COLLEGE

1601 N Benton Ave., Helena, MT 59625
800-992-3648 or 406-447-5437
<http://www.carroll.edu>

ROCKY MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

1511 Poly Drive, Billings, MT 59102
800-877-6259 or 406-657-1000
<http://www.rocky.edu>

FORT BELKNAP COLLEGE

P.O. Box 159, Harlem, MT 59526
406-353-2607
<http://www.fbcc.edu>

FORT PECK COMMUNITY COLLEGE

P.O. Box 398, Poplar, MT 59255
406-768-6300
<http://www.fpcc.edu>

BLACKFEET COMMUNITY COLLEGE

P.O. Box 819, Browning, MT 59417
800-549-7457 or 406-338-5421
<http://www.bfcc.org>

SALISH KOOTENAI COLLEGE

P.O. Box 70, Pablo, MT 59855
406-275-4800
<http://www.skcc.edu>

LITTLE BIG HORN COLLEGE

P.O. Box 370, Crow Agency, MT 59022
406-638-3104
<http://www.lbhc.cc.mt.us>

STONE CHILD COLLEGE

P.O. Box 1082, Box Elder, MT 59521
406-395-4313
<http://www.stonechild.edu>

CHIEF DULL KNIFE COLLEGE

P.O. Box 98, Lame Deer, MT 59043
406-477-6215
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