



**LAKE WASHINGTON
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Help prepare **our Nurses to
fill a critical community need**

Lake Washington Institute of Technology Launches Private Startup
Campaign for Bachelor's of Science in Nursing Program

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A shortage of nurses prepared at the baccalaureate level is affecting health care quality and patient outcomes according the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN).

- **LWTech is nationally accredited** by the Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)
- LWTech's Nursing students consistently receive **high pass rates on the National Council Licensure Exam (NCLEX) – including 100% pass rate** in 2015 and 2016
- Since 1992, **more than 1,750 nurses have graduated** from LWTech

Industry Demand

LWTech currently offers a Nursing Associate of Applied Science (AAS) and a Nursing Associate of Applied Science Transfer (AAST) degrees. The BSN degree, now required by many employers, will provide a direct degree path to best serve students, and our region's healthcare providers.

"The BSN Program at LWTech is a vital component of EvergreenHealth's plan to provide the highest caliber of care to our community as well as resource to our current staff."

– Neil Johnson, Chief Operating Officer, Evergreen Health; Trustee, Lake Washington Institute of Technology; LWTech Foundation Board Member



"After eight years of deep state budget cuts, we are seeking philanthropic support to raise the startup funds for a BSN Program. This is a truly unique opportunity to invest in a self-sustaining program that is critical to our community and economic health."

– Dr. Amy Morrison Goings, President, Lake Washington Institute of Technology

What are the Benefits of a BSN Degree at LWTech?

- **Proven track record** of hands-on, practical training for nurses
- **Solution to the high market demand** for nurses who have a BSN
- **One-time investment** in a self-supporting program moving forward
- **Direct educational path** for students
- **Expert faculty**
- **Preferred credential** for nurses throughout the healthcare industry

Startup Funding

Private funding is vital to the success of our programs. As Washington state's only public institute of technology, just 35% of LWTech's total operating budget is met with state/public funding. The generosity of individuals and corporations provides LWTech with the ability to bridge the gap between state funding and critical needs that meet industry demand. The startup cost of \$500,000 is what's needed to launch the BSN at LWTech, and is a perfect example of the important role philanthropy can play in meeting the needs of students and industry.

How Will the Start Up Funds Be Used?

Nursing Faculty	\$175,000
Curriculum Development	\$100,000
Endowed Nursing Scholarship	\$100,000
Simulation Lab Updates	\$75,000
Lab Equipment	\$50,000
Total	\$500,000

A Critical Component of Healthy Communities

As healthcare continues to moves toward patient-centered medicine, nurses will play a more integral role in the quality of patient care.



"As a student and working mother of two young boys, my dream is to earn my BSN at LWTech while working full-time as a registered nurse. The opportunity to continue at LWTech is important to me – it provides a continuous, applicable and high quality educational experience."

– Kelsea Ariel, Nursing Student, LWTech