



Workforce Development

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Worker Retraining student

“The Worker Retraining Program offered me incredible support to rebuild my education, skills, and career after a significant life change. Now, I’m looking into my future with confidence.”

—Elena Kirkegaard, student

LWTech offers several federal and state funded programs through Workforce Development (WFD) that may provide assistance with tuition, books, advising, and individualized support services, depending on qualifications.



Over \$650,000 was awarded to Workforce Development Students for tuition, fees, books, and living expenses during the 2016-17 school year.*



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Services:

- **Basic Food, Employment, and Training (BFET):** The Basic Food, Employment, and Training program offers book and supply funding up to \$250 per quarter, childcare assistance through Department of Social and Health Services' (DSHS) Working Connections Childcare, and advising to students who are receiving federal Basic Food Assistance (food stamps).
- **Opportunity Grant:** The Opportunity Grant program offers 45 credits of tuition and fee assistance, up to \$1,000 per year in book assistance, and advising to low-income students pursuing high-wage, high-demand occupations.
- **Worker Retraining:** The Worker Retraining program offers tuition assistance, career counseling, advising, priority class registration, and other benefits to individuals in career transition, such as laid-off workers, displaced homemakers, vulnerable workers, and formerly self-employed individuals. Military veterans discharged in the last 48 months, and active duty military with separation orders, may be eligible for help with the cost of books.
- **WorkFirst:** The WorkFirst program offers support to students who are referred from DSHS and receive Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). Benefits may include an available DSHS liaison, tutoring, and tuition and book assistance.
- **Employment Resource Center:** The Employment Resource Center offers job search resources, assistance with job searches, online job postings for students, alumni and community members, and workshops on choosing a career, resume writing, and interviewing.

Find out more!

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* All program Industry at a Glance statistics come from the Employment Security Department of Washington State website: <https://www.esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo/learn-about-an-occupation#/search>

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