When You Do The Math

Connecticut’s Community Colleges Add Value

Connecticut’s economic growth depends on the education level and earning power of its workforce. With nearly 50% of the state’s public college and university undergraduates enrolled at the twelve community colleges, Connecticut students and businesses benefit. Over 96,000 credit and non-credit students each year gain improved career skills, better job opportunities, and a better quality of life. Seventy percent of students attend part-time while working toward a degree.

• An associate degree graduate earns approximately $400,000 in additional income over a lifetime in comparison to a high school graduate
• Graduates of community college occupational programs in 2000-2001 increased individual earnings by nearly $13,000 annually, according to statistics from the Connecticut Employment and Training Commission
• Jobs requiring a two-year degree will grow by 31% between 1998 and 2008 according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics
• Students who transfer to complete a four-year degree through guaranteed admissions programs reduce the cost of education and student loans
• In 2003, over 600 Connecticut businesses contracted for employee education and training with the community colleges

A community college education makes the difference through:

• A 21st century workforce for
  – Allied Health and Bioscience
  – Information Technology
  – Insurance and Finance
  – Manufacturing
  – Teaching and Childcare
• Improved job opportunities
• Increased earnings
• Reduced unemployment
• Reduced welfare dependency
• Increased tax revenues
• Improved health habits
• Reduced health care costs
• Reduced criminal justice costs

This all adds up to a skilled workforce and economic prosperity for Connecticut.

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Middlesex Community College in Middletown & Meriden
Naugatuck Valley Community College in Waterbury
Northwestern Connecticut Community College in Winsted
Norwalk Community College in Norwalk
Quinebaug Valley Community College in Danielson & Willimantic
Three Rivers Community College in Norwich
Tunxis Community College in Farmington & Bristol

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