

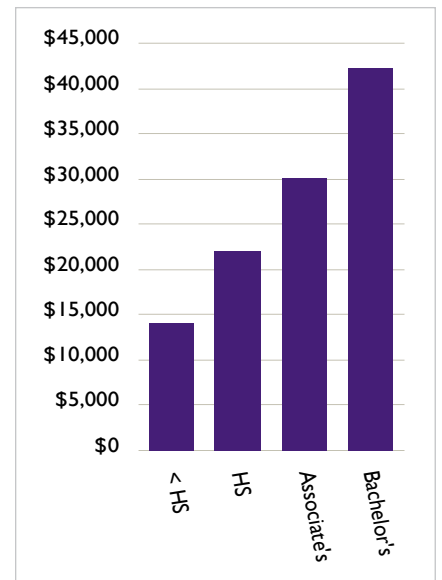
Student Perspective

Education Will Pay You Back—For a Lifetime



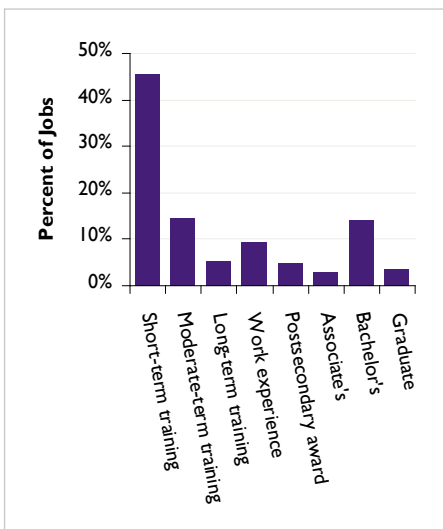
- Students enjoy an attractive 15.4% real rate of return on their STC educational investment.
- Over the course of his or her working career, the average STC student's lifetime earnings will increase \$5.20 for every dollar invested in their STC education (in the form of tuition, fees, and forgone earnings).
- The average annual exit earnings for an associate's degree nursing graduate from STC is \$45,000, 104% higher than the average earnings of a high school graduate in the region.
- Over the course of a working lifetime, the average associate's degree graduate in the STC Service District earns \$320,000 more than someone with a high school diploma (undiscounted).

Average Earnings in STC Service District



Education Is Your Ticket to a Better Job

STC Service District Jobs by Education Level



- By 2019 it is anticipated that there will be about 159,500 new and replacement jobs available in the STC Service District.
- About 21% of these jobs will require an education level equal to an associate's degree or greater.
- Another 5% of available jobs in 2019 will require some kind of post-secondary certificate or vocational award.



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