

# FAQ

## (Frequently Answered Questions)

- **How do I enroll?**

The admissions process is very easy. BCCC has an open door policy for general admission and accepts all students who apply. To apply, students should complete an application for admission. Students may download an application from the College website or apply online. To request an application by mail, please call the Admissions Office at 252-940-6237. Additionally, some students may be required to take college administered placement tests in English, math and reading and submit official transcripts from high school and previously attended colleges. Certain programs within the College may have selected admission in which admissions policies are more specific and/or competitive.

- **How much will it cost?**

BCCC is the area's best educational value. The current resident tuition is \$39.50 per credit hour. There are also additional expenses for student activity fees and books. Many students attend BCCC to save money so they have more personal financial resources available if they decide to transfer to a four-year college. High school students taking classes at BCCC and adult students 65 years and older do not have to pay tuition.

- **What are the financial aid options?**

The BCCC Financial Aid Office can help you find the best way to finance your education through academic scholarships, federal student aid (including Pell Grants), work-study programs, tuition tax credits, veterans educational assistance and more. BCCC has the connections to help you get money for college.

- **How long must I live in NC to be eligible to pay in-state tuition?**

In general, residency (i.e. domicile) must be established and maintained for 12 consecutive months immediately prior to the term for which you plan to enroll with the in state benefit. If you do not qualify, you will be charged out-of-state rates. Continuing Education (non-credit) tuition is the same for in state and out-of-state students.

- **What about class size?**

BCCC gives you the opportunity to be an individual instead of one of the crowd. Small classes ensure one-on-one interaction with highly skilled instructors. Many classes average a capacity of 25 students per class or less.

- **Will BCCC classes transfer to a four-year college or university?**

Yes! The College Transfer program gives students the opportunity to earn credits that are fully transferable to a four-year college or university. A student earns an Associate's degree, which is generally equal to 50% of the required credits for a Bachelor's degree; therefore, and in most cases, students should be able to complete the four-year degree in two additional years. Transfer programs are one of the most important reasons why many students choose to study at BCCC.

- **Can high school students take classes at BCCC while they're still in high school?**

Absolutely! Today's college environment is more demanding and competitive than ever. An increasing number of motivated high school students are preparing for the future and satisfying their need for challenging academic coursework by participating in BCCC's College and Career Promise Program (CCPP). High school students can get a head start on college, tuition free.

- **Can you tell me about the quality of instruction?**

Generally all instructors who teach at BCCC must have a Master's degree in order to be employed. Many instructors choose to teach at BCCC because they appreciate the learning environment and smaller class size.

- **Is BCCC an accredited college?**

Yes! BCCC is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award associate degrees, diplomas and certificates. Accreditation guarantees a reputation of excellence you can rely on.

- **How do I schedule to take the placement test?**

Placement tests can be scheduled at the Admissions Office in Building 9 or by calling 940-6237.

- **Can my placement test scores from another college be used at BCCC?**

Yes, if you took the College Board ACCUPLACER. Official test results must be sent to the BCCC Admissions Office directly from where the tests were taken. The College also accepts COMPASS, ASSET, ACT AND SAT scores.

- **How do I take a class on the Internet?**

An online education can offer opportunities for students to pursue their educational objectives when and where it is convenient for the student. Admissions, registration and payment processes are the same for online classes as for traditional classes. An online assessment is required for students enrolled in online classes. Check the [Online Learning](#) website for additional information about offerings and requirements.

- **How can I go to college and work at the same time?**

Many students work part-time while attending BCCC and we understand that your time is precious. That is why our students have access to day, evening, weekend and [online classes](#). An online education can offer opportunities for students to pursue their educational objectives when and where it is convenient for the student.

- **What if I need a job while I'm attending BCCC?**

If you need assistance finding a part-time job while in school, contact the [Career Center](#) located in Building 9.

- **What about student life outside the classroom?**

College isn't all work – it's also a lot of fun! At BCCC, you can make new friends, join a student organization or simply hang out at the student lounge. BCCC encourages student activities to help develop individual initiative, group leadership and cooperation. It is a goal of the College to provide students with the opportunity to participate in activities which relate to educational objectives, satisfy social needs, provide recreational opportunities and encourage cultural enrichment. A variety of club opportunities are also available including:

- Student Government Association
- Beaufort County Association of Nursing Students (BCANS)
- Gamma Beta Phi National Honor Society
- HOPE Club
- Phi Beta Lambda
- MLT Club

- **What happens after I graduate?**

That depends on you! Some students continue their education by pursuing a Bachelor's degree. However, most students begin pursuing their careers in a variety of entry-level positions in various fields involving their program of study within a matter of months after graduation. Some may stay in their present jobs. Others may take a break between school and work.