



FVCC'S EPIC BACKYARD



Visit Glacier National Park
and over a dozen state parks
in the region



Minutes to Whitefish, Bigfork
and Lakeside for shopping,
dining and festivals



Ski over 4,000 acres
at nearby Whitefish and
Blacktail Mountains and explore
cross-country trails



Shopping, dining
and parks within walking distance



Hike and bike
over 100 miles of trails
in the valley



Seasonal farmers markets
with local food, art and
live music on campus



Be entertained
25 local arts, theater and cultural
experiences around Kalispell



Float, fish and paddle
on nearby Flathead Lake



Free public transit stop
on campus



114

degrees, certificates
and licensures

58

career and
technical options

850

scholarships
available

\$2 million

awarded
in scholarships

80%

of students receive
financial aid

13:1

student-faculty
ratio

CHOOSE YOUR PATH



TRANSFER to a four-year college/university

Start at FVCC to take the first step toward earning your bachelor's degree. Our Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees are designed for seamless transfer to other colleges or universities.



ENTER A CAREER

FVCC's career and technical programs are designed to make you job-ready, earning a quality wage after graduation.



EXPLORE options

It's OK if you don't know where you're headed. You can still earn a degree. Start here while you explore career and educational opportunities.

AREAS OF STUDY

- Accounting
- Art
- Biology
- Biotechnology
- Business
- CDL Training
- Chemistry
- CNA Course
- Communications
- Computer Science
- Criminal Justice
- Culinary Arts and Catering
- Early Childhood Education
- Earth Science
- Economics
- Electrical Apprentice
- Electrical Technology
- Electronics Technician
- Elementary Education
- EMT Course
- Engineering
- English
- Entrepreneurship
- Environmental Biology
- Environmental Science
- Firearms Technologies
- Forensic Science
- Forestry
- Geography
- Geology
- Graphic Design
- Health and Human Performance
- Heavy Equipment Operator
- History
- HVAC Apprentice
- Industrial Machine Technology
- IT and Security
- Liberal Studies
- Mathematics
- Medical Assistant
- Medical Coding
- Medical Laboratory Technology
- Music
- Natural Resources Conservation and Management
- Nursing
- Paramedicine
- Parks, Tourism and Recreation Management
- Phlebotomy Courses
- Physical Therapist Assistant
- Physics
- Plumbing Apprentice - Coming Soon
- Pre-Dental
- Pre-Dental Hygiene
- Pre-Medicine
- Pre-Nursing
- Pre-Pharmacy
- Pre-Physical Therapy
- Pre-Social Work
- Pre-Veterinary Medicine
- Programming and Game Development
- Psychology
- Radiologic Technology
- Secondary Education
- Small Business Management
- Social Media Marketing
- Sociology
- Speech Pathology
- Substance Abuse Counseling
- Surgical Technology
- Surveying
- Theatre Arts
- Undecided/Exploring
- Web Development and Design
- Welding and Fabrication
- Wildlife Biology

Find your home at Founders Hall

Founders Hall is the spot for students who want to live close to the action. With modern, furnished rooms, full kitchens and a gorgeous outdoor courtyard, it's got everything you need. The best part? You're just steps away from classes, campus events, stores and restaurants. Plus, the shared lounges and study areas make it easy to connect with other students and be part of a tight-knit community.



Scan here to watch
student-led tours of
Founders Hall



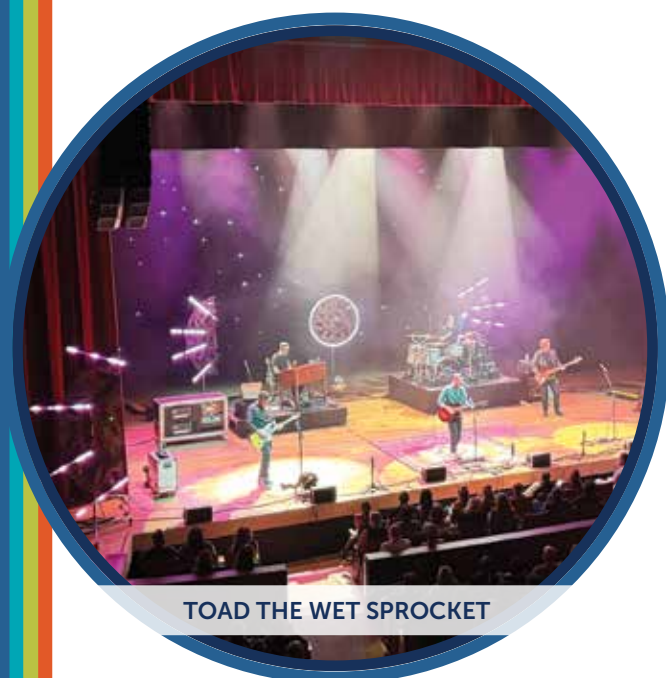
Real connections Happen Here

Student life at FVCC is active, creative and led by students like you. Over 30 clubs and student organizations hold hundreds of events each semester. Come as you are—all are welcome. If you have an interest, you can turn it into a club. If you see a need, you can lead the way. Clubs are where students shape campus life and build long-lasting connections.

- Art Club
- Music Club
- FVCC Book Club
- Chess n'Games Club
- Computer Club
- Firearms Enthusiasts
- Genders and Sexualities Alliance
- InterVarsity Christian Fellowship
- Lincoln County Campus
- Logger Sports
- Mask and Hammer Club
- Native American Student Association
- Outdoor Club
- Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society
- Student Government
- Student Leadership Club
- Student Wellness Team
- Tabletop Role Playing Games Club
- Veterans Association

Live out loud at Wachholz College Center

With over 50 live concerts, movies and speakers each year, the Wachholz College Center is Northwest Montana's premier performance venue. Students score discounted and free tickets to major events, making it easy to catch top-tier entertainment right on campus.



SUPPORTING STUDENTS

FVCC doesn't leave you to figure things out alone. From free tutoring and career coaching to mental health counseling, academic advising and TRIO support, you'll have a team of people who actually care. They'll help you stay focused, solve problems and keep moving forward no matter where you're starting from.



The Honors Edge

Challenge yourself with FVCC's Honors Program. Take small, discussion-based classes that push you to think critically, lead with purpose and do meaningful research. Classes meet in a dedicated honors space designed for focused learning. Complete the academic and service requirements and you could earn up to two semesters of free tuition.



STUDENT RESEARCH CONFERENCE



HONORS PROGRAM CLASSROOM



HONORS POSTER PRESENTATION

Academic Advising

Career Services

Core Experience

Disability Support Services

Financial Aid Advising

Honors Program

Library Services

Mental Health Support

STEM Experience

TRIO

Tutoring

Veterans Center

TRIO *You belong here*

If you're the first in your family to go to college, navigating it all can feel overwhelming. FVCC's TRIO program has your back. TRIO supports students with financial need, documented disabilities or first-gen backgrounds through one-on-one advising, tutoring and financial guidance. More than 200 students each year use TRIO to stay on track, stay motivated and reach their goals.

"TRIO can be a helpful resource because you have access to fellow students who are a little more experienced with college who can assist with studying or being part of events and activities. We also have a lot of great advisors like Jennifer, Leslie and Kathy who are amazing and always offer really great advice."

Piper
TRIO Tutor



Leslie Greene, Jennifer McKinney and Kathy Frishkorn support TRIO program students by connecting them with resources like tutoring, academic workshops and group events. They also organize campus visits to the University of Montana and Montana State University for students considering transferring to continue their education.



Steer Your Career Here



Career Services Advisor Cathy Allard works one-on-one with students and alumni to explore career paths, build resumes, prep for interviews and connect with employers. Whether you're looking for your first job, an internship or a better way to tell your story, Cathy is here to help you move forward with confidence.

FVCC TRADES INSTITUTE

This is where you get to work.

At the FVCC Trades Institute, you'll train with real tools, real deadlines and instructors who've done the work themselves. Whether you're into welding, heavy equipment, HVAC, electronics, surveying or any other program we offer, you will build the skills that employers actually need.

Programs are based on the time it takes to learn the work and step into a real job. From certificates and career credentials you can complete in a few months to a more traditional associate degrees you can master in two years, FVCC Trades Institute offers fast and flexible ways to get trained, get working and start building a future you can be proud of.

Local employers help shape these programs, which means what you learn connects directly to real jobs and careers. Classes are hands-on, career-focused and offered with flexible schedules to fit your life even if you are already working.



"The welding instructors are super thorough and provide one-on-one support—they make class personal. The best part is I don't have to work to go through college because of scholarships, so I can focus on learning and not stressing about affording it."

Haily

Welding and Fabrication

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT



"With support from industry partners and a focus on workforce preparation, our students are well-equipped to connect with local employers and thrive in a rapidly evolving industry."

Chris Sherman
Welding Instructor



TOOLS MANAGER JOHN SINNER HANDS OUT SAFETY EQUIPMENT

"Yes, that Metallica."

This phrase echoed across campus as FVCC was named one of only 18 colleges nationwide to receive a prestigious grant from Metallica's "All Within My Hands" Foundation through the Metallica Scholars Initiative. FVCC was awarded \$75,000. More than 300 FVCC Trades Institute students received stipends to purchase essential tools and safety equipment. FVCC's partnership with the Metallica Scholars Initiative will be continuing on, helping students reach their goals.



SURVEYING



HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR



HEATING, VENTILATION,
AIR-CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION



WELDING



ELECTRICAL TECHNOLOGY

Commercial Driver's License

8 weeks

Average Salary | \$51,944

Electrical Apprentice

Average Salary | \$60,419

Electrical Technology

2-4 semesters

Average Salary | \$60,419

Electronics Technician

1-4 semesters

Average Salary | \$75,840

Firearms Technologies

2-4 semesters

Average Salary | \$42,158

Heating, Ventilation, Air-
Conditioning and Refrigeration

4 semesters

Average Salary | \$56,088

Heavy Equipment Operator

2 semesters

Average Salary | \$71,603

Industrial Machine Technology

2-4 semesters

Average Salary | \$42,308

Surveying

4 semesters

Average Salary | \$63,298

Welding and Fabrication
Technology

2-4 semesters

Average Salary | \$46,570

FVCC TRADES INSTITUTE



COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE



INDUSTRIAL MACHINE TECHNOLOGY



ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

As one of the few colleges in the country with a gunsmithing degree program, FVCC provided Aiden with the specialized education he was looking for right here in his hometown. Excelling in high school, Aiden became familiar with the college through the Running Start program during his senior year.

"I was unique in the fact that I had already chosen my major by the time I came to FVCC. All the instructors are so welcoming and value the one-on-one connection to learning, and that's a large reason why I chose to come here."

Aiden

Firearms and Industrial Machine Technology



"Every single day I get to see something new, whether it's a new place or meeting new people. Getting my license was so worth it to me. This career definitely pays itself back."

Alexie

CDL Lincoln County Campus



"Our program is affordable, and with high demand for drivers, our graduates are quickly hired by local and national companies, ensuring they can start earning right away."

Mike Mulcahy
CDL Instructor



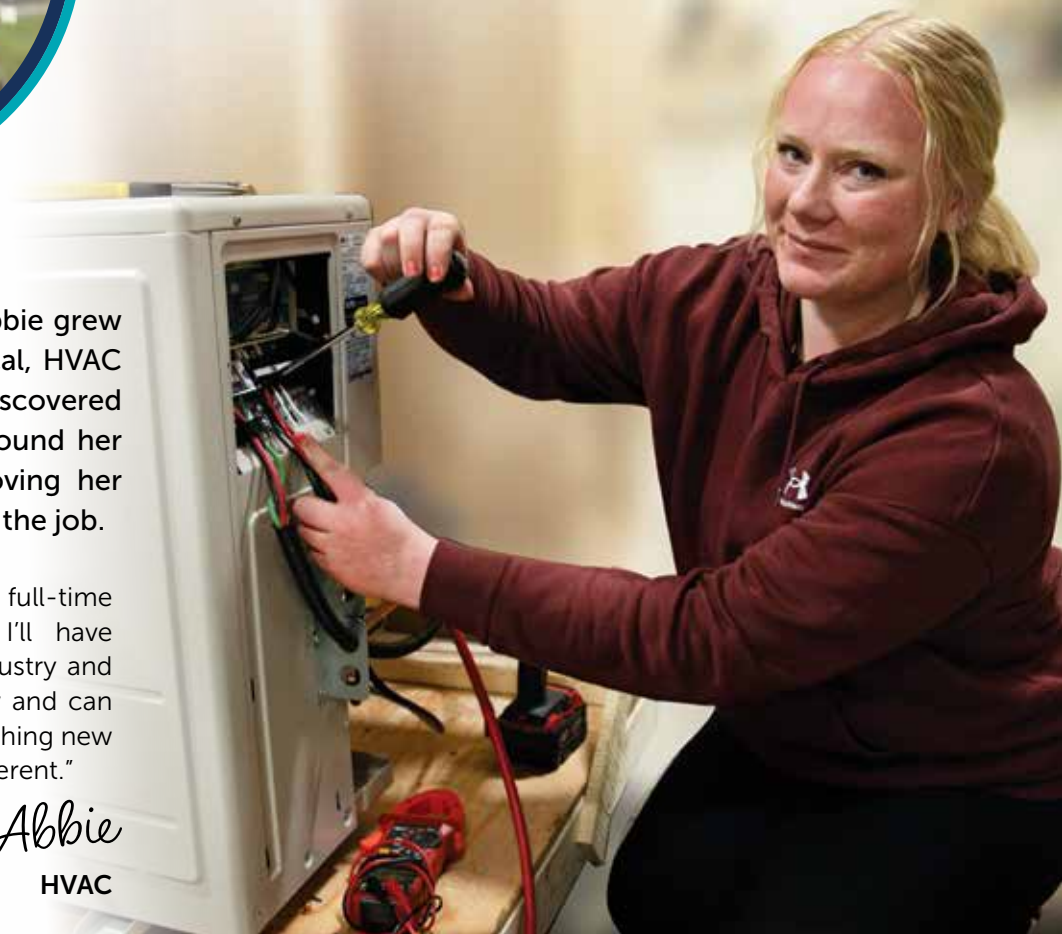
"I have a degree in math and environmental science. I like to work outside and use my brain, so surveying feels like the perfect program for me."

Oliver
Surveying

Originally from Dillon, Montana, Abbie grew up working for her father's electrical, HVAC and pump company, where she discovered her passion for HVAC. Abbie has found her strength in working hard and proving her capabilities. She loves the variety of the job.

"I chose FVCC because I can work full-time while attending evening classes. I'll have conversations with others in the industry and build respect based on what I know and can do. I love that. You get to learn something new every day, and the work is always different."

Abbie
HVAC



HEALTH SCIENCE

In FVCC's Health Science programs, you'll learn from professionals who've built careers in the fields they teach. Many still work in hospitals, labs or emergency care, and all are here to make sure you graduate skilled, confident and ready for the job.

You will build core skills in the classroom, then apply them during clinical rotations at hospitals, clinics and care centers across Northwest Montana. With low tuition and strong donor-supported scholarships, most students graduate with little to no debt and a clear path into the workforce.



"I'm graduating a semester early. I was just hired as a medical records technician. It's been awesome to be able to graduate early and start a new job."

Michelle
Medical Coding

"I'm graduating with my MA certificate, but I will be back in the fall as part of the radiologic technology program. I chose to continue here because it feels like I belong here, thanks to the amazing faculty and staff."

Rachel
Medical Assistant



"I completed the EMT course through Running Start after being home-schooled. I plan on working for the Bigfork Fire Department and pursuing my doctorate."

Robert
Emergency Medical Technician

SCHOLARSHIP
RECIPIENT



100% CLUB

Our medical lab technology, physical therapist assistant and paramedicine grads all earned a 100% pass rate on their national licensing exams. Most go straight into local jobs, serving their communities.



PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT

"Janice and Julie were absolutely amazing. It was amazing to be able to learn in such a supportive environment and know that somebody's always got your back if you needed help."

Alicia
Physical Therapist Assistant



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT



"We've gone to the hospital to observe what surgical technologists do. We weren't just reading it in books, but we were actually seeing it and then doing it back at the FVCC lab."

Kaylee
Surgical Technology

Emergency Medical Technician
1 semester
Average Salary | \$34,954

Medical Assistant
3 semesters
Average Salary | \$63,148

Medical Coding
2 semesters
Average Salary | \$65,223

Medical Laboratory Technology
5 semesters
Average Salary | \$73,161

Paramedicine
4 semesters
Average Salary | \$55,133

Physical Therapist Assistant
5 semesters
Average Salary | \$62,108

Phlebotomy
2 semesters
Average Salary | \$46,040*

Radiologic Technology
6 semesters
Average Salary | \$75,334

Surgical Technology
5 semesters
Average Salary | \$60,611

TRANSFER DEGREE

Health and Human Performance

Medical Laboratory Technology

Speech Pathology



MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY



RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY



PARAMEDICINE



SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY

	AA/AS Transfer	AAS	CAS/CTS
BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY			
Accounting			
Business			
Entrepreneurship			
Information Technology and Security			
Payroll Accounting			
Small Business Management			
Social Media Marketing			

CULINARY ARTS			
Culinary Arts and Catering			

GENERAL STUDIES			
Associate of Arts			
Associate of Science			

HEALTH SCIENCE			
Health and Human Performance			
Medical Assistant			
Medical Coding			
Medical Laboratory Technology			
Paramedicine			
Physical Therapist Assistant			
Radiologic Technology			
Speech Pathology			
Surgical Technology			

	AA/AS Transfer	AAS	CAS/CTS
HUMANITIES			
Art			
Communication Studies			
English			
Graphic Design/Media Arts			
Liberal Studies			
Music			
Theatre Arts			

MATH & COMPUTER SCIENCE			
Computer Science			
Mathematics			
Programming and Game Development			
Web Development and Design			

NURSING			
Practical Nursing			
Registered Nursing			

TRADES INSTITUTE			
Electrical Apprentice			
Electrical Technology			
Electronics Technician			
Firearms Technologies			
Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning and Refrigeration (HVAC) Apprentice			
Heavy Equipment Operator			
Industrial Machine Technology			
Surveying			
Welding and Fabrication Technology			
Welding Technology			

	AA/AS Transfer	AAS	CAS/CTS
SCIENCE & ENGINEERING			
Biochemistry			
Biology			
Biotechnology			
Chemistry			
Earth Science			
Ecology			
Engineering			
Environmental Biology			
Environmental Science			
Environmental Studies			
Forensic Science			
Forestry			
Geography			
Geology			
Natural Resources Conservation and Management			
Parks, Tourism and Recreation Management			
Physics			
Pre-Dental			
Pre-Dental Hygiene			
Pre-Medicine			
Pre-Nursing			
Pre-Pharmacy			
Pre-Physical Therapy			
Pre-Veterinary Medicine			
Wildlife Biology			

	AA/AS Transfer	AAS	CAS/CTS
SOCIAL SCIENCE			
Criminal Justice			
Early Childhood Education			
Economics			
Elementary Education			
History			
Political Science			
Pre-Law			
Pre-Social Work			
Psychology			
Secondary Education			
Sociology			
Substance Abuse Counseling			

LICENSURE COURSES			
Certified Nurse Aide (CNA) Course			
Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Training Course			
Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Course			
Phlebotomy Courses			

AA/AS Transfer	Associate of Arts Associate of Science
AAS	Associate of Applied Science
CAS/CTS	Certificate of Applied Science Certificate of Technical Studies
	Licensure Course

Programs listed are in effect at time of printing. FVCC reserves the right to add or withdraw programs at any time.
Average salaries are for the state of Montana as of August 2025. Information provided by Modern Campus Pathways, which uses data provided by Lightcast unless noted with an asterisk.
*careeronestop.org-Data comes from the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics Program as of May 2024.
**Indeed.com as of August 2025.

NURSING

Certified Nurse Aide
1 semester
Average Salary | \$39,105

Practical Nursing
3 semesters
Average Salary | \$49,296

Registered Nursing
5 semesters
Average Salary | \$81,190

Nursing takes focus, precision and the ability to think fast under pressure. FVCC's registered nursing, practical nursing and certified nurse aide (CNA) programs give you the clinical training and technical skills to step confidently into the field. With labs, simulations and real-world experience built in, you'll be ready for what the job demands.

Programs are available in Kalispell and at our Lincoln County campus, expanding access for students across Northwest Montana. Whether you're starting with CNA or working toward an RN, you'll get the support and experience you need to move forward in a high-demand career.



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

"Right now I work as a CNA, but I plan to take a nursing position when I graduate. I love my job. I love the work. When you're in the hospital as an employee you hear so often that the best nurses come from FVCC."

Olivia
Nursing



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

"I knew I had an affinity for helping people from working on ski patrol. The feeling of helping someone who is scared or injured and then seeing the look on their face when you solve the issue is really empowering. Starting nursing school was intimidating at first, but I've always taken everything as a challenge. My perspective on school has been a huge confidence boost and it's probably one of the best things I've ever done in my life."

Luke
Nursing Lincoln County Campus



SOCIAL SCIENCE

Criminal Justice
4 semesters
Average Salary | \$56,773

Early Childhood Education
4 semesters
Average Salary | \$37,129

Substance Abuse Counseling
4 semesters
Average Salary | \$70,158

TRANSFER DEGREES

Criminal Justice
Early Childhood Education

Economics

Elementary and
Secondary Education

History

Political Science

Pre-Law

Pre-Social Work

Psychology

Sociology

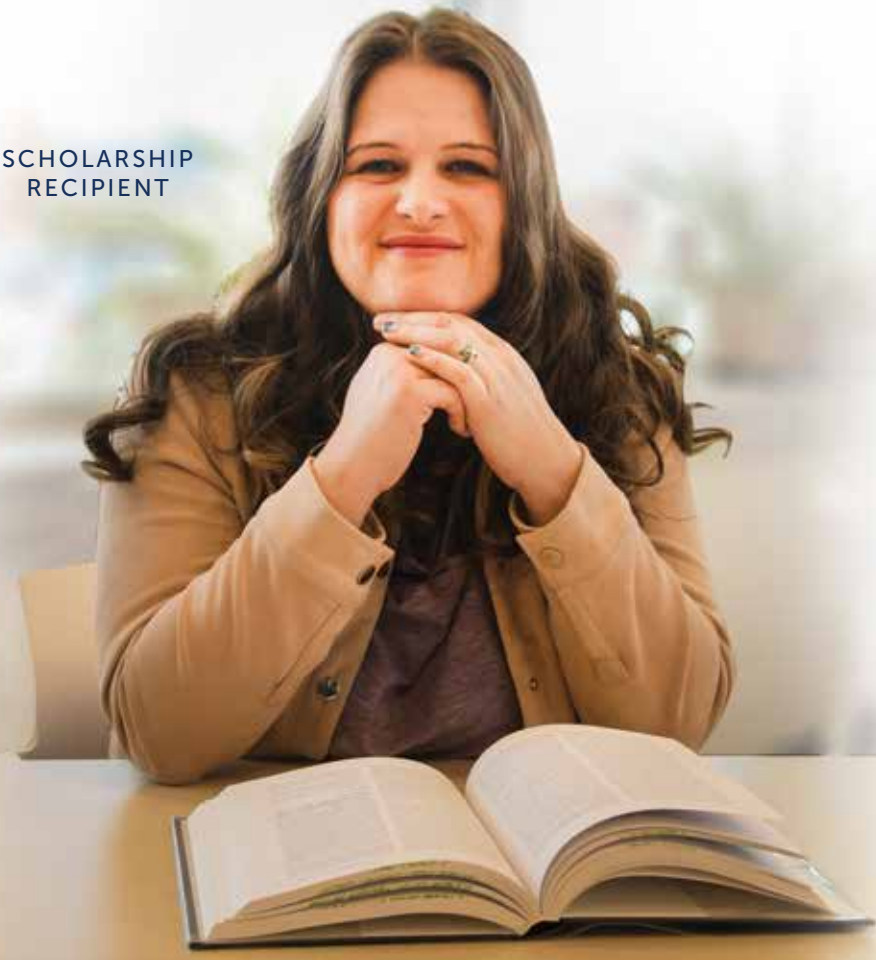
FVCC's Social Science programs help you understand human behavior and its impact on the world. If you're aiming to transfer or start a career in social services, research or education, FVCC is your launchpad, at any age and any stage.

"What I appreciate about our program's structure is that it allows students to stay in their home communities and have access to a high-quality educational experience and direct connections to top employers in the area, all through FVCC. Our students dedicate their time, energy and effort because they genuinely want to help people."



Carlin Phillips
Associate Professor/Program Director
Substance Abuse Counseling and
Pre-Social Work Transfer

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT



"I didn't know if I could add school on to everything, and I had never been good at school. Once I started at FVCC and earned scholarships, I realized that people were investing in me. So I really felt like I owe everyone the ability to do the best that I possibly could and give it my all."

Vanessa
Substance Abuse Counseling

BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY

Accounting
2-4 semesters
Average Salary | \$43,845

Business
4 semesters
Average Salary | \$87,667

Entrepreneurship
2 semesters
Average Salary | \$46,443

Information Technology
and Security
4 semesters
Average Salary | \$88,001

Payroll Accounting
2 semesters
Average Salary | \$50,997

Small Business Management
4 semesters
Average Salary | \$46,443

Social Media Marketing
2 semesters
Average Salary | \$53,604**

TRANSFER DEGREES

Accounting
Business

From managing payroll and marketing on social media to building secure networks and launching new ventures, FVCC's Business and Technology programs prepare you to lead in today's digital economy. Whether you're interested in accounting, entrepreneurship, small business, finance or information technology and security, you'll gain real-world skills that transfer directly into the workplace.

"Everything was taken care of from a general studies perspective here and allowed me to move on to that university setting. All of my base knowledge was on par, if not higher, compared to other university students when moving on to the University of Montana. FVCC sets you up for success."

Tiffany
Accounting



"I fell in love with my classes because they were teaching the answers to questions I've had, which really helps drive the passion behind it all."

Seth
Small Business Management

HUMANITIES

Graphic Design/Media Arts
2-4 semesters
Average Salary | \$61,400

TRANSFER DEGREES

Art
Communication Studies
English
Graphic Design/Media Arts
Liberal Studies
Music
Theatre Arts



Explore creative writing, art, music, graphic design and theatre while building skills you can take anywhere. FVCC's Humanities programs are a strong choice if you're planning to transfer and complete a bachelor's degree. You can also launch your career sooner with one- and two-year programs that get you job-ready in two years or less.



"I'm definitely getting experience in the field of graphic design and learning a lot more about video editing, and it's perfectly aligned with the degree."

Caleb
Graphic Design



SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

Biotechnology
2 semesters
Average Salary | \$50,713

Natural Resources
Conservation and
Management
4 semesters
Average Salary | \$59,573

TRANSFER DEGREES

- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Earth Science
- Ecology
- Engineering
- Environmental Biology
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Studies
- Forensic Science
- Forestry
- Geography
- Geology
- Natural Resources
Conservation and
Management
- Parks, Tourism and
Recreation Management
- Physics
- Pre-Dental
- Pre-Dental Hygiene
- Pre-Medicine
- Pre-Nursing
- Pre-Pharmacy
- Pre-Physical Therapy
- Pre-Veterinary
Medicine
- Wildlife Biology

FVCC's STEM programs pair focused classroom learning with hands-on lab experience. Faculty guide you toward high-demand careers or advanced study, and you'll get research opportunities often reserved for university seniors.

Options like biotechnology and natural resources conservation can prepare you for a career in two years or set you up to transfer into a bachelor's program.



FVCC STEM EXPERIENCE

FVCC STEM Experience, funded by the National Science Foundation, provides the unique opportunity to work on hands-on projects, connect with faculty who know the field and be part of unique research opportunities. Multi-year scholarships cover costs so you can focus on learning and not stress about money.

"I received the STEM scholarship and it has been incredibly helpful. My tuition is paid for entirely and I'm able to just focus on my studies and not worry about working while I'm in college."

Ben
Mechanical Engineering Transfer



MATH & COMPUTER SCIENCE

Whether you're into app development, game design or data science, FVCC's Computer Science program gives you the coding skills and problem-solving mindset to stand out. You'll build a strong foundation in programming, algorithms and systems while getting hands-on with real projects. It's a great fit for students planning to transfer into a four-year degree or launch into tech-focused careers.

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT



"I saw a program and game development course and that was of real interest to me. This is where I met Jim Goudy. He was a great mentor for me and my peers. He knew how to motivate us and expand us beyond our current capabilities."

Ethan
Computer Science



Known for his clear and supportive teaching style, Jim breaks down complex programming topics in a way that's engaging and fun. If you're looking to build your coding skills with an approachable atmosphere, Jim's classes are the perfect place to start.

Jim Goudy
Associate Professor
Computer Science/Web Development and Design

Programming and Game
Development
4 semesters
Average Salary | \$84,217

Web Development
and Design
4 semesters
Average Salary | \$66,612

TRANSFER DEGREES

- Computer Science
- Mathematics



TRANSFER READY, FUTURE STEADY

Start close to home and go anywhere. FVCC’s transfer programs let you complete your first two years of college here and then transfer as a junior to the four-year school of your choice. FVCC advisors will work with you to create a plan that fits your goals, customizing your associate degree to match the requirements of your intended bachelor’s program. You can save money while building the confidence to take your next step.

GEN ED CORE

Complete a group of 30 general education credits at FVCC and then transfer with your core classes complete to any school in the Montana University System including University of Montana and Montana State University.

2+2 PROGRAM

FVCC’s 2+2 programs are a great option for in-district students looking to start close to home while saving on tuition. These partnerships with Montana universities allow students to complete their first two years at FVCC before transferring into bachelor’s degree programs across the state.

ASU PARTNERSHIP

FVCC and Arizona State University have partnered to streamline the transfer process through the MyPath2ASU® program. This tool offers over 400 guided pathways, helping students seamlessly transfer from FVCC, maximize credits and reduce time to complete their degree.



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

“I have made the decision to go to Montana State University and get my Bachelor of Science in hospitality management. I received world-class training here at FVCC and my second year was covered by scholarships. I’m excited to take the next step.”

Walter

Culinary Arts and Catering



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

“When I graduated high school, I didn’t know what I wanted to major in, so coming to FVCC was a good choice to explore different interests. Through the Honors Program, I’ve decided I want to study economics and journalism, and will head to the University of Montana in the fall as a junior.”

Kevin

Associate of Science



“I’m studying secondary education so I have the flexibility to teach a variety of grades. I worked, went to school and had scholarships—so I’m transferring to Eastern Washington University debt-free.”

Katie

Associate of Arts

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Accounting	History
Art	Liberal Studies
Biochemistry	Mathematics
Biology	Media Arts
Biotechnology	Medical Laboratory Technology
Business	Music
Chemistry	Natural Resources Conservation and Management
Communication Studies	Parks, Tourism and Recreation Management
Computer Science	Physics
Criminal Justice	Political Science
Early Childhood Education	Pre-Dental
Earth Science	Pre-Dental Hygiene
Ecology	Pre-Law
Economics	Pre-Medicine
Elementary and Secondary Education	Pre-Nursing
Engineering	Pre-Pharmacy
English	Pre-Physical Therapy
Environmental Biology	Pre-Social Work
Environmental Science	Pre-Veterinary Medicine
Environmental Studies	Psychology
Forensic Science	Sociology
Forestry	Speech Pathology
Geography	Theatre Arts
Geology	Wildlife Biology
Graphic Design	
Health and Human Performance	

CULINARY ARTS

From day one, students at FVCC's Culinary Institute of Montana work side by side with award-winning industry pros who know what it takes to succeed. With decades of experience in fine dining, hotels, baking and front-of-house management, the instructors bring high expectations and real-world insight to every class.

Students cook, cater, serve, plan menus, manage staffing and budget for real events. Whether you're aiming for the kitchen or the broader world of hospitality, you'll get personal attention, practical training and feedback that pushes you forward.

"When I met with Program Director Chef Manda Hudak, that's what really sold me on coming to FVCC. I've received training and experience far beyond what I learned prior to being here plus I have the confidence to go along with the skills to succeed. And now I am going to Montana State University to study hospitality management."

Walter
Culinary Arts and Catering



Capstone: The Pop-Up Restaurant

Before graduating, Culinary Institute students plan and execute a full-scale pop-up restaurant. From concept and menu to budgeting, prep, service and staffing, every detail is student-led. In 2025, students launched Root & Rye, a sandwich and soup shop open to the public that focused on Montana-sourced ingredients, house-baked breads and seasonal flavors. It's not just a final project. It's a working restaurant that puts everything students have learned into practice with real guests in a real service setting.

Culinary Arts and Catering
5 semesters
Average Salary | \$42,640



RUNNING START

College begins in high school

FVCC's Running Start program helps high school juniors and seniors earn college credit early and save money while doing it. Classes are offered online, in high schools and on campus, giving students the flexibility to build confidence, get ahead and start college on their terms.



Montana students can earn **6 FREE credits** with additional courses at half the in-district rate

Running Start student Payton made history at Bigfork High School, graduating with her high school diploma while at the same time earning two associate degrees from FVCC.

"Running Start has propelled me to be able to start at a university sooner and given me some opportunities I wouldn't have had. I hope to be an astronaut. I'm headed to the University of Central Florida to study aerospace engineering and minor in dance."

Payton
Running Start



SUMMER EXPERIENCE

FVCC's Summer Experience offers high school juniors and seniors from across Montana the chance to earn free college credits while getting a glimpse of what the college experience will be like.

This 8-week course is for rising high school juniors and seniors and the first 6 credits are free! Courses like College 101, Financial Literacy and an elective of your choice give you a jump-start on your college course count. Plus you will complete a service learning project and a fun outdoor activity.



June 15-August 7



ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST

HOW **NOT** TO PAY FOR COLLEGE

SEPTEMBER | OCTOBER | NOVEMBER

- ☐ Submit online FVCC application (Running Start students only need to update program in student portal from Running Start to degree seeking). fvcc.edu/apply
- ☐ Submit health records showing 2 MMRs (or a religious/medical exemption form).
- ☐ Participate in Experience FVCC event – October, March or April fvcc.edu/visit

DECEMBER | JANUARY | FEBRUARY

- ☐ Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) fvcc.edu/fafsa
- ☐ Watch for a letter from FVCC's Financial Aid Office and return any required paperwork.
- ☐ Complete the Eagle Scholarship application if you have a 2.5 or higher cumulative high school GPA. Eagle Scholarship application opens on December 10 and is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. fvcc.edu/scholarships
- ☐ Complete the Donor-Funded Scholarships application. Application opens in early January and the deadline is February 15. fvcc.edu/scholarships
- ☐ On-campus housing application opens January 10 and is offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Make sure your application to attend FVCC is submitted at least one week before applying to live on campus. fvcc.edu/housing
- ☐ Meet with our disabilities services coordinator for any accommodation needs on campus. fvcc.edu/disability-support
- ☐ Apply for TRIO, a comprehensive academic support program for eligible students. fvcc.edu/trio

MARCH | APRIL | MAY

- ☐ Complete placement testing for reading, writing and math or submit ACT scores and high school and/or college transcript of grades in progress. fvcc.edu/placement
- ☐ Honors Program applications for Fall semester open in the spring and the deadline is April 15 for first consideration, accepted on a rolling basis. fvcc.edu/honors
- ☐ STEM Experience applications for Fall semester open in the spring and the priority deadline is April 15 for first consideration, accepted on a rolling basis. fvcc.edu/stem
- ☐ Participate in Experience FVCC event – March or April fvcc.edu/visit
- ☐ Watch for an offer letter from the FVCC Financial Aid Office and return any required paperwork including thank you cards.
- ☐ Fall class registration begins in April. New degree-seeking students are required to meet with an academic advisor to register. Contact advisor@fvcc.edu or call 406.756.3880 to schedule an appointment.

JUNE | JULY | AUGUST

- ☐ Send final official high school and/or college transcript after graduation.
- ☐ Attend New Student Orientation and the Week of Welcome.
- ☐ Don't forget to get your textbooks fvcc.edu/bookstore

Flathead Valley Community College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in its educational programs or activities. Inquiries concerning Title II, Title VI, Title IX and Section 504 may be referred to: Kelly Murphy, Title IX Coordinator, SC 151, 777 Grandview Drive, Kalispell, MT 59901, (406) 756-3812; or the Montana Human Rights Commission, 1236 Sixth Avenue, P.O. Box 1728, Helena, MT 59624, (406) 444-2884/1-800-542-0807.

FVCC's annual security and fire safety report is available online at fvcc.edu/campus-safety. The report contains information regarding campus security and personal safety, crime prevention, fire safety, policies related to and programs to prevent sexual assault and other crimes and crime statistics for the college. To request a paper copy of the report, call (406) 756-3925 or email procedure@fvcc.edu.

Compare our tuition and fees against those of University of Montana and Montana State University.

Reach your goals with less stress and little to no debt.



That's \$3,100+ per year!

FVCC
Annual
In-District
Tuition & Fees
\$5,845

MSU
Annual
In-State
Tuition & Fees
\$8,946

UM
Annual
In-State
Tuition & Fees
\$9,188

Tuition Rates for 2025-2026 academic year from fvcc.edu, montana.edu, umt.edu

Get money you don't have to pay back

SCHOLARSHIPS fvcc.edu/scholarships

FVCC offers a variety of scholarships based on merit, financial need or other criteria.

WAIVERS fvcc.edu/waivers

FVCC provides a variety of tuition waivers to qualified students like those in the top 10% of their high school class or who meet GPA criteria during their time at FVCC.

FINANCIAL AID fvcc.edu/fafsa

Financial aid awards grants that do not have to be repaid and offers opportunities for work study, federal and state-subsidized part-time student employment.



All financial aid determinations are based on the information on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Submit yours at fafsa.gov. FVCC school code: 006777

VISIT CAMPUS

Experience FVCC

Ready to see if FVCC feels like the right fit? Experience FVCC is your chance to visit campus, explore programs and get a feel for what college life could look like. You'll see how small classes, support services and student life all come together to help you feel seen, supported and ready to take your next step.

**OCT
10
2025**

**MAR
6
2026**

**APR
10
2026**

**OCT
2
2025**

Night at the Broussard

Sign up to explore FVCC's Nursing and Health Science programs, complete with a live health care simulation.

Night of the Trades

Attend specialized sessions geared toward career areas within FVCC Trades Institute.



Sign up for these events, schedule an in-person tour
or take the **virtual 360 tour** of campus at
fvcc.edu/visit



FLATHEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAMPUS

1. Founders Hall Housing – FH
2. Trades Institute – TI
3. Business & Social Science – BSS
 - A. Honors Program Classroom
4. Student Center – SC
 - B. Student Lounge
 - C. Financial Aid
 - D. Admissions & Registration
5. Blake Hall – BH
 - E. Bookstore
 - F. Eagle's Nest Cafe
6. Ross Hall – RH
7. Arts & Technology – AT
 - G. Joe Legate Black Box Theatre
8. Broussard Family Library & Learning Commons – BL
 - H. Common Grounds Coffee Shop
9. Rebecca Chaney Broussard Center for Nursing & Health Science – BC
 - I. Student Health Clinic
10. Wachholz Innovation and Entrepreneurship Center – WIEC
11. Wachholz College Center – WCC
 - J. Furlong Smith Fitness Center
 - K. I.A. O'Shaughnessy Outdoor Amphitheater
12. Campus Farm
13. Logger Sports Arena
14. Heavy Equipment Quonset Hut

MAP LEGEND

- City Roads
- Campus Roads
- Sidewalks
- Covered Sidewalks
- Dirt Road



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