# **BRIDGERLAND** APPLIED TECHNOLOGY COLLEGE



## **STRATEGIC PLAN** 2016-2021



# INTRODUCTION

Bridgerland Applied Technology College (BATC) is one of eight colleges that comprise the Utah College of Applied Technology (UCAT). BATC provides industry driven, career education in an open-entry/open-exit, individualized, competency-based format. This unique format allows each student to master required skills at his or her personal learning pace.

BATC undergoes an annual strategic planning process in compliance with the Council on Occupational Education (COE) accreditation standards. In this 2016-2021 strategic planning cycle, a new element of aligning with the State of Utah's nine educational anchors was introduced. BATC's eight core objectives were developed to align directly with the State of Utah anchors.

BATC utilized a new team approach in developing the strategies in each of the eight objectives. Teams comprised of faculty, staff, students and administrative members worked diligently to identify both opportunities and challenges facing BATC in the next five years. This resulted in a common philosophy, a unified sense of direction, priorities for change, and a blueprint for action. While campus objectives and strategies are always subject to change in order to address opportunities and challenges, the strategic planning process provides clear direction for the future of this institution.

This Strategic Plan was compiled from strategic planning team meetings and administrative vision; presented to faculty, staff, and Administration; reviewed for priorities, timelines, and costs; and were presented to the BATC Campus Board of Directors for final adoption.

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# MISSION

The mission of the Bridgerland Applied Technology College is to deliver competency-based, employer-guided career and technical education to both secondary and post-secondary students through traditional and technology-enhanced methodologies. This handson technical education provides occupational education, skills training, and workforce development to support the educational and economic development of the Bear River Region.



## VISION

BATC has maintained a long-standing vision of education excellence. The College is committed to identifying and meeting the educational, training, and employment needs of both the students and the employers in the Bear River service region.

BATC maintains core values of excellence, integrity, accountability, and value.

We envision a College...

- where instruction and all other activities are student centered
- that offers a comprehensive range of quality programs to prepare students for entry into high demand careers
- where strong relationships are developed with employers enabling training to be responsive to current needs
- that is a diverse community where achievement occurs without boundaries.



## ONE STUDENT AT A TIME

## **OBJECTIVE #1: EFFICIENT RESOURCES**

TARGET AND EFFICIENTLY USE RESOURCES TO MAXIMIZE SUCCESSES THROUGH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A MISSION-DRIVEN BUDGET.

### STRATEGIES

#### Administration will:

- determine College priorities for the next fiscal year
- train and assist department heads in developing budget requests to be submitted annually
- assist department heads in managing yearly budgets and accessing summary reports in JICS

#### Vice Presidents for Instruction, in collaboration with Department Heads, will:

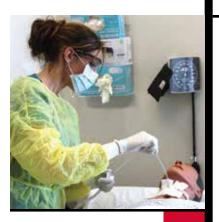
- explore outside donation opportunities from industry, BATC foundation, alumni, etc.
- annually review program offerings in relationship to current career opportunities, projected industry need, and location of program offerings

#### Budget Office will provide resources annually to:

- modernize the technology infrastructure by significantly increasing wireless access points and speeds throughout all of BATC
- identify operating budget request, capital improvement request, and capital development request needs and ideas annually through a strategic planning process
- cooperate with vice presidents in assisting department heads in managing yearly budgets through annual budget meetings
- prepare a mission-driven budget for board approval
- explore opportunities to purchase devices for an educational discount

#### **Department Heads will:**

- explore concepts to reduce costs to students where applicable
- communicate cost center needs annually through budget meetings with Campus President



## ONE STUDENT AT A TIME

## OBJECTIVE #2: PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES

ENHANCE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES

### STRATEGIES

#### Administration will:

- identify faculty training days
- improve communication with faculty and staff with regular meetings involving all personnel from the College

#### Technology Enhanced Instruction Department will:

 identify and hire curriculum development support personnel to assist faculty with Canvas integration; video capture, editing, uploading; and other technology curriculum enhancements

#### Information Systems Department will:

- evaluate and improve wireless access capabilities
- utilize wireless authentication to accommodate increased demand of wireless devices

#### Vice President for Instruction and Institutional Effectiveness will:

- coordinate training and knowledge of professional opportunities for faculty and staff through collaborative meetings
- foster excitement for technology through multiple training formats such as lunch and learn and group training; suggested topics may include: Tandberg, Adobe Connect, educational apps, Zing, Captivate, EduCreations, Canvas, Jenzabar, etc.

#### Vice President for Instruction, Contracts & Grants will:

• seek funding opportunities to provide technological tools for faculty and students (tablets, licenses, etc.)



## **OBJECTIVE #3: REDUCE OR ELIMINATE BARRIERS**

REDUCE OR ELIMINATE ENROLLMENT BARRIERS AND IMPROVE STUDENT ACCESS, PARTICIPATION, AND COMPLETION

### STRATEGIES

#### Vice President for Student Services will:

- develop improved communication processes with students (e.g., test results, enrollment processes, etc.)
- develop a committee to regularly evaluate current assessment standards, student intake procedures, and different enrollment models
- in cooperation with marketing personnel, improve high school retention efforts, relationships, and instructor/student interaction

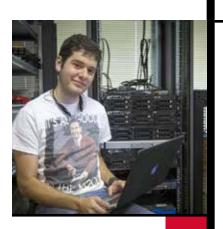
#### Information Systems and Web Support will:

- evaluate my.batc.edu to maximize intuitive use, mobile readiness, and aesthetics
- identify strengths and weaknesses of the current enrollment process, as well as find and implement ways to improve
- identify bottlenecks or processes that can be improved to better help students navigate the enrollment process
- monitor student progress through certificate programs

#### Faculty and Staff will:

• educate potential students on assistance available to overcome potential hurdles, such as financial aid, assessment, registration, enrollment, etc.

ONE STUDENT AT A TIME



## **OBJECTIVE #4: NEW TECHNOLOGIES**

INCREASE NEW AND INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGY PRACTICES

### STRATEGIES

#### Vice President for Student Services will:

develop a mechanism for communication of Jenzabar issues and improvement requests

#### Faculty members will:

- increase utilization of non-traditional education tools (e.g., Tandberg, Adobe Connect, simulation software, etc.)
- foster an environment for students to identify technological solutions for learning problems
- expand opportunities for simulation and problem-based learning where students participate in groups to experience real world situations and learn through taking the role of both team leader and member, as appropriate
- increase video resources for students

#### Information Systems Department will:

- evaluate and improve wireless access capabilities and speed
- increase access points
- utilize wireless authentication
- implement policies and procedures to facilitate the utilization of student devices to reduce educational costs (e.g., textbooks, workbooks, resource materials, etc.)

## CHANGING LIVES

ONE STUDENT AT A TIME



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## **OBJECTIVE #5: OUTCOMES & ACHIEVEMENT**

ENHANCE AND IMPROVE OUTCOMES THROUGH INCREASED STUDENT PROFICIENCY AND ACHIEVEMENT TO MEET ACCREDITATION STANDARDS AND ENSURE STUDENTS ARE CAREER READY BY COMPLETING INDUSTRY RECOGNIZED CREDENTIALS

### STRATEGIES

#### Vice President for Brigham City, in cooperation with Administration and the Pathways Coordinator will:

- improve functionality and student experiences with existing high school and post-secondary pathways
- explore additional public and private pathway partners

#### Vice President for Student Services will:

- develop a committee to regularly evaluate current assessment standards, intake procedures, and different enrollment models
- in collaboration with the counselor, develop and implement an interest and aptitude assessment process for new and prospective students in an effort to improve the appropriateness of placement into the respective certificate program

#### Student Services Office will:

- explore community resources for early intervention options with students facing challenges both internal and external to the College
- be trained on available resources and successful communication strategies in working with sensitive issues

#### **Departments Heads and Faculty will:**

• increase focus and emphasize soft skills in all programs and design programs to closely mimic existing work environments (e.g., dress code, work ethic, punctuality, communication, team roles, etc.)



## **OBJECTIVE #6: PARTNERSHIPS**

INCREASE CAREER ALIGNED EDUCATION OPTIONS AND SUCCESS THROUGH ENHANCED ADVISORY COMMITTEES, BUSINESS RELATIONSHIPS, AND EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

### STRATEGIES

#### Vice Presidents for Instruction, in cooperation with Department Heads, will:

• review advisory teams to expand representation of local business and decision making personnel and strengthen relationships with potential influencers such as former students, current students, high school teachers, etc.

#### Administration will:

provide recommendations for additional BATC Foundation Board members annually

#### Outreach and Recruiting Coordinator, in conjunction with Faculty, will:

• communicate advantages of technical education through strengthened partnerships, broadened communication, and public engagement (e.g., high school class presentations, parent participation, fairs, College and Career Readiness Plans (CCRPs), counselor luncheons, College Bound meetings, Boys and Girls Clubs, 4H, after school groups, youth organizations, neighboring states, etc.)

#### Student Success Coordinator will:

research best practices for communication and resources for students, parents, educators, and industry partners

#### Department Heads, Faculty, and Advisory Committees will:

 explore support for program completion (e.g., higher wages for graduates, non-traditional delivery of remaining courses, internship/externship opportunities, etc.)

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## **OBJECTIVE #7: FUNDING RESOURCES**

MAXIMIZE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES AND ASSETS THROUGH OTHER FUNDING RESOURCES STRATEGIES

#### **Campus President will:**

- identify personnel to function as the liaison between department faculty members and available grant opportunities
- explore, in collaboration with the administrative staff, ways to expand relationships/partnerships with industry experts

#### Vice President for Instruction, Contracts & Grants will:

- establish a communication method to articulate grant opportunities to faculty/staff and for faculty/staff to communicate program needs back to administration
- review, in cooperation with department heads, advisory teams to expand representation of local business and decision making personnel
- strengthen relationships with potential influencers such as former students, current students, high school teachers, etc.

#### Administration will:

provide recommendations for additional BATC Foundation Board members annually

#### Marketing will:

• develop promotional materials for a *Pay It Forward* scholarship targeting small donations from faculty, staff, students, alumni, as well as business and industry partners



ONE STUDENT AT A TIME

## **OBJECTIVE #8: AWARENESS**

IMPROVE PERCEPTION AND AWARENESS IN THE VALUE OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION

### STRATEGIES

#### Marketing will:

- identify personnel responsible for increasing the social media footprint by highlighting programs, student successes, industry tips/tricks, and other topics of interest on popular modalities including Facebook, Pinterest, Instagram, YouTube, and Twitter
- lead efforts to recruit students uncertain of career direction (e.g. returning ecclesiastical servants, non-returning traditional higher education students, non-native English speakers, and high school non-completers, etc.)

#### Vice President for Student Services will:

 expand promotion of CTE success with local school districts and counselors through annual counselor meetings; promotional topics may include: educational pathways, student success stories, expanded meeting locations, and how CTE can benefit all students, etc.

#### **Campus President will:**

• increase departmental awareness and recruiting activities for scholarships using monies other than appropriated funds

#### Faculty and Staff will:

• improve communication with students, parents, counselors, and BATC faculty and staff through community events, mass email, school newsletters, personal interaction, and class presentations, etc.



# **EVALUATION PROCESS**

BATC plays a pivotal role in the support of the area's economic growth and development. The availability of a highly skilled, competent workforce proves to be a major factor for business and industry to experience continued growth and technical advancement. The College has a strong history of emphasizing accountability to its students and the regional employers by making efficient use of public funds, striving to manage resources, and continually producing greater results.

BATC will evaluate its institutional effectiveness in two phases. First and foremost, data will be collected from faculty, staff, students, and advisory members through a strategic plan questionnaire and will be evaluated and summarized annually. Secondly, evaluation of the College's progress in implementing the strategies and objectives compared with desired results will be conducted and reported annually. Results of the evaluation will be used to identify successes, plan improvements, and contribute to annual updates and/or major redevelopment of the Strategic Plan as needed.

## Collect Data • Evaluate • Improve



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