



Pathways to a Great Career without a College Degree

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College & Career **Pathways**

Careers you can start without a degree

- Health Care- Nurse Assisting, Emergency Medical Tech, Phlebotomy
- Personal Services- Massage Therapist, Cosmetologist
- Trades- Carpentry, Plumbing, Electrician, Welder, HVAC Tech, Fiber Tech
- Transportation- Commercial Driver, Heavy Equipment Operator
- Manufacturing- CNC Machinist, Production Tech, Industrial Mechanic
- Culinary- Chef/Head Cook

Choosing the Right Program for You

- Assess and clarify your interests, skills, abilities & values
- Identify your learning style and preferences
- Research careers & training programs that may interest you
- Learn more about the resources available to help you map out next steps.



Credential Examples

LNA-Licensed Nurse Assistant via Adult CTE or Medical Professions program

EPA 608/609-via Adult CTE or Auto, HVAC, or Plumbing programs

CDL-Commercial Drivers' License, via Adult CTE

EMT-Emergency Medical Technician, via Adult CTE or Public Safety program

Phlebotomy Certification - via Adult CTE

Site-specific examples:

Broadband-Newport

Aviation-Burlington

Massage Therapy - Bennington

Adult CTE Class Options in High School

Individual Classes

- A class typically lasting a few sessions to help the student gain skills required for a specific job. Examples range from computer based to hands on. Some examples include OSHA 10, CPR, First Aid and SERV Safe.

Short-Term Trainings which lead to Licensure

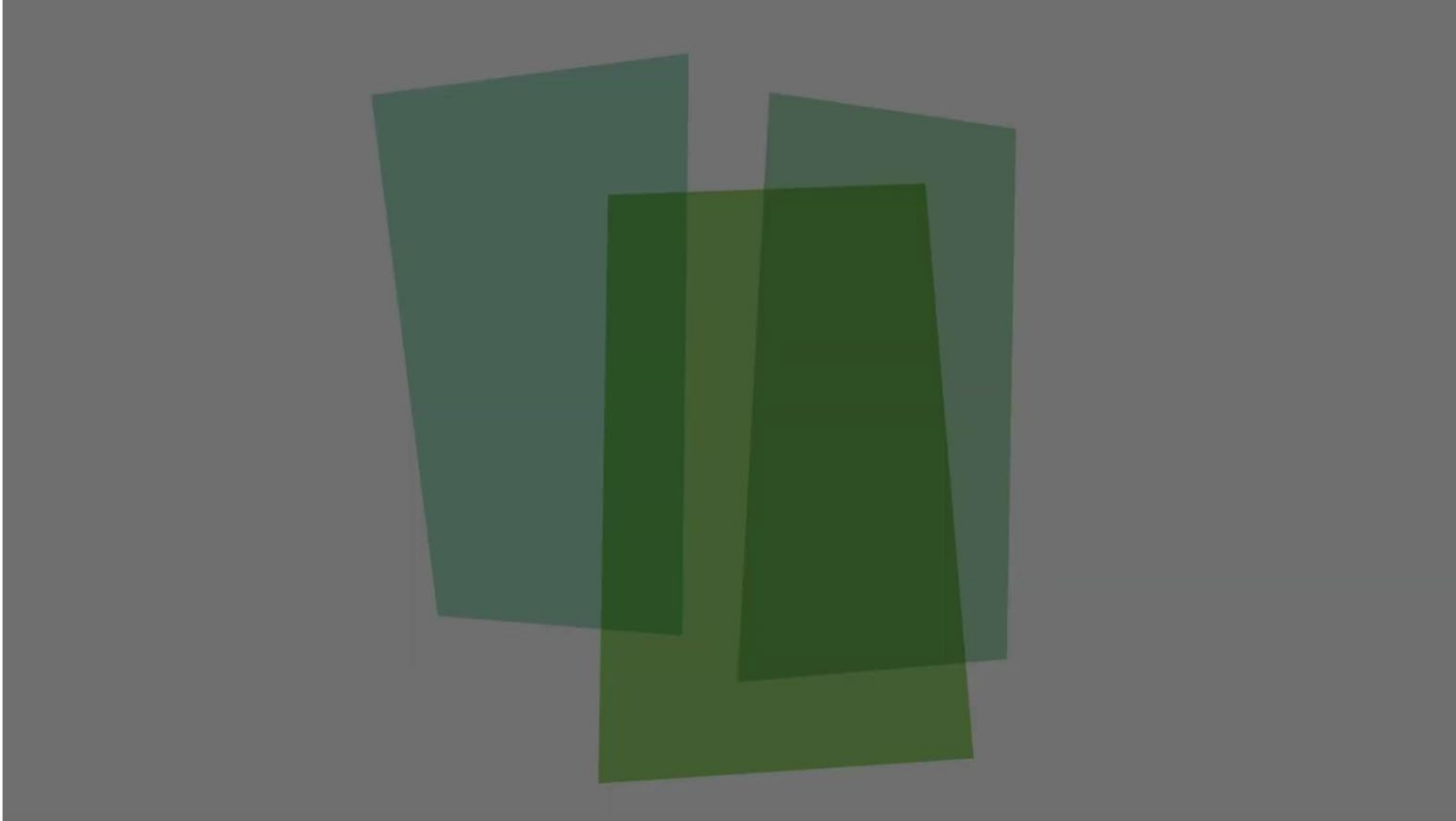
- Career-focused classes which lead to licensure. Examples include LNA, EMT, Cosmetology, and CDL. These are intensive programs which require a combination of classroom and hands-on training.

Certificate Programs

- A certificate program is a group of related courses designed to provide students with entry-level workplace skills in a particular field. Examples include Phlebotomy, Massage Therapy, Medical Billing and Coding, and Clinical Medical Assisting.

You can take an Adult CTE Class during OR after High School

Hear Jesse's story:



Vermont Adult Career & Technical Education Centers



17 Centers in Vermont

Info on each at vtadultcte.org

or

Contact the CTE that serves your high school.

Adult CTE Program Examples

Widely Offered

Licensed Nurse Assistant

Welding

Commercial Driving

Phlebotomy

Dental Assisting

Region Specific

Advanced Manufacturing-Springfield

Massage Therapy- Bennington

HVAC- Essex

Aviation- Burlington

Esthetician- Rutland

Natural Gas Tech- Middlebury

Fiber Optics- Newport

Butchering- Bennington



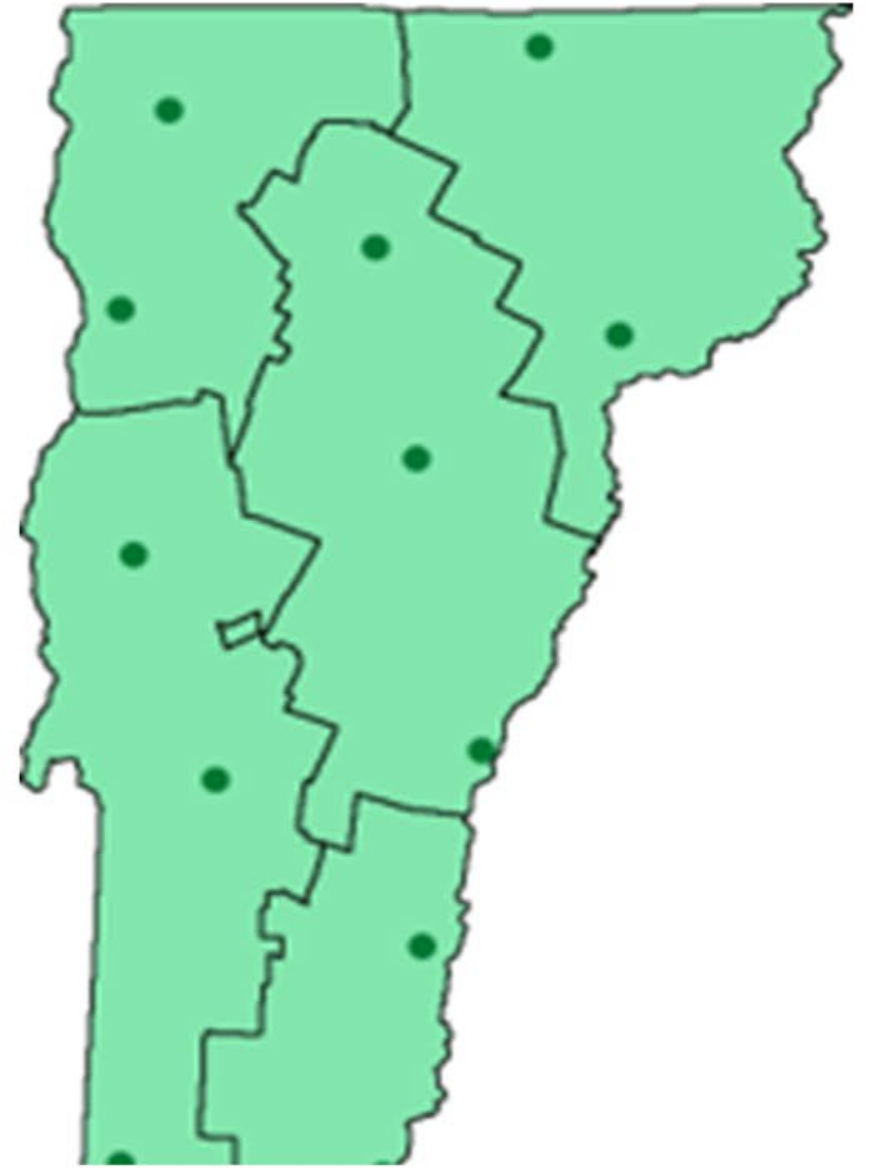
Additional Technical Programs in Vermont

vermont Career Training & Industry Recognized Credential Programs:

- [Advanced Welding Institute](#)
- [CCV Apprenticeships](#)
- [CCV Credentials & Training](#)
- [CCV Degrees & Certificate Programs](#)
- [Champlain College Online Certificate Programs](#)
- [Champlain College Centers of Experience](#)
- [Commercial Driver Training](#)
- [Northlands Job Corps Center](#)
- [O'Briens Aveda Institute](#)
- [Saint Michael's College Certificate and Professional Endorsement Programs](#)
- [UVM Continuing and Distance Education](#)
- [Vermont State University Castleton Campus Certificate Programs](#)
- [Vermont State University Continuing Education at Johnson and Lyndon Campuses](#)
- [Vermont State University Continuing Education at the Randolph Campus](#)
- [Vermont Works for Women Construction Trades Program](#)
- [Yestermorrow Design/Build School](#)



Vermont Department of Labor



American Job Center (AJC) Services

Comprehensive Employment Support

- Career Counseling
- Job Search Assistance
- Resume & Interview Prep

Access to Training & Education

- Skill Development
- Paid Work Experience
- On-the-Job Training
- Tuition Assistance

Free Resources

- Job Listings
- Technology
- Workshops
- Labor Market Information
- Career Planning

Specialized Services

- Veterans Services
- Youth Programs
- Adult/Dislocated Worker

Employer Connections

- Job Fairs
- Networking Opportunities
- Recruitment Events
- Job Referrals

VSAC Financial Resources for Graduates

The Vermont Advancement Grant - The Vermont Advancement Grant is intended to help Vermonters enhance job skills that improve employability or to provide students with an introduction to a post-secondary educational program. Up to \$3000 for billable tuition & fees in 24-25 academic year; or for courses over \$4000, maximum level at 75% of tuition and fees up to \$7500

The Curtis COV Training Scholarship - Can cover up to \$1500 for eligible students. SPECIFICALLY meant for students pursuing certificate programs and credentials of value. Students must work with an EOC counselor to be nominated for this additional funding.

The Vermont Grant – For those programs that qualify for Title IV (traditional college funding), a VSAC EOC counselor can assist you in understanding your financial aid options and apply for state and federal grants to help cover the cost of a training program.

As funds are available.

Additional Financial Aid Resources

802 Opportunity – Covers tuition and fees at CCV for families with income less than \$75,000.

The TRADES Scholarship/Forgivable Loan - Can cover up to \$23,000 for tuition and \$2,000 for initial licensing fees and exam fees for families with income less than \$100,000. Agree to work in Vermont for a minimum of one year following licensure or certification completion for each year of funding in the profession for which they received funds.

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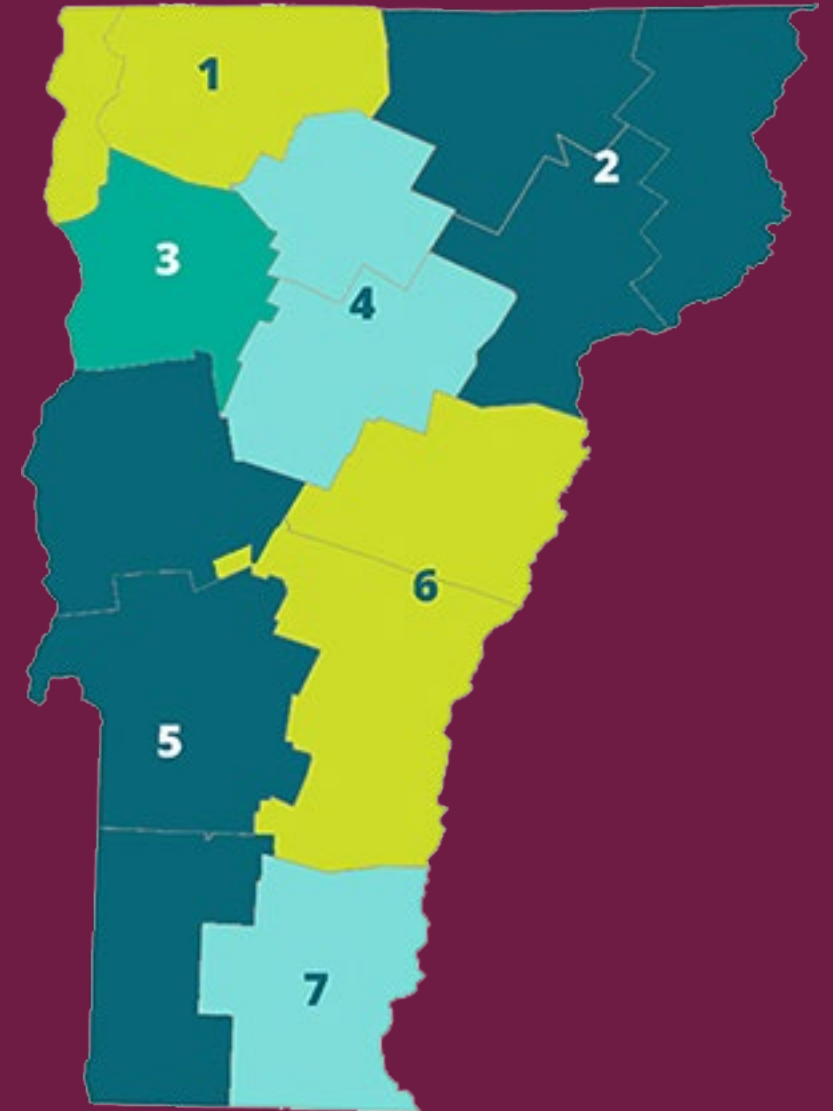
Educational Opportunity Center (EOC)

- VSAC's Educational Opportunity Center is a federally funded TRIO program that serves adults who do not yet have a 4-year degree
- 2/3 of the people EOC serve are the first generation in their family to pursue education/training after high school and have moderate income
- How can an EOC Counselor & VSAC Help?
 - Career Exploration
 - Education and Training
 - Financial Aid
 - Ongoing Support & Referrals

Connect with a VSAC EOC Counselor

- Learn more about training programs
- Receive help in completing financial aid applications
- One on one coaching and support

Call **877.961.4369**
to schedule an appointment
or directly contact an EOC
counselor from your region
of Vermont



Questions?

We welcome all questions regarding short-term training and financial-aid.