

# Basic Food, Employment & Training (BFET)

In a partnership with Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS), Lower Columbia College offers opportunities for vocational education and career development to low income students who qualify to receive or are currently receiving federally issued basic food benefits.

While BFET does not provide tuition assistance to students at this time, students may qualify for other assistance such as child care and food benefits.

BFET allows students who are receiving federally issued basic food benefits to continue receiving those benefits while attending school. Participants are required to participate in monthly career exploration activities with BFET staff.

## BFET Eligibility

Students may be eligible for BFET if they:

- Are enrolled in an ESL, GED, IBEST or professional-technical degree or certificate program.
- Are a US Citizen, Refugee or Immigrant (US resident five years or more)
- Are NOT receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- Are receiving or are eligible to receive Basic Food Benefits through the federal program.
- Are low income (please check with BFET coordinator for current income guidelines).

See below for contact and other important information.

Phone number: **(360) 442-2332**

Webpage: [lowercolumbia.edu/bfet](http://lowercolumbia.edu/bfet)

Located in Admissions Center (ADC)