**Program Name:** Adult Education Transition to College Program

**College Programs of Study:** <http://www.bristolcc.edu/learnatbristol/programsandcourses/academiccatalog/>

**Transitions Program Website:** <http://www.bristolcc.edu/learnatbristol/prepareforcollege/adulteducation/adulteducationtransitiontocollegeprogram/>

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**Eligibility:** To enroll in Bristol Community College’s Transition to College Program, students must have:

1. Earned a state approved High School Equivalency credential (GED or HiSET), high school diploma through an Adult Diploma Program, or a high school diploma; or
2. Completed English for Speakers of Other Language (ESOL) classes.

Priority is given to students who have attended a Department of Elementary and Secondary Education-funded Community Adult Learning Center (CALC) or Correctional Institution (CI). The program is free.

**Eligibility for Concurrent Enrollment:** Enrollment in Bristol’s Transition to College Program is an option for students *currently enrolled* in adult education programs if the following criteria have been met:

* HiSET/GED students must be enrolled in Adult Secondary Education (ASE) level classes or recommended by their education and career advisor.
* ESOL students must be enrolled in Level Three ESOL classes or recommended by their education and career advisor.
* Students enrolled in an Adult Diploma Program.

All students must also have identified attending postsecondary education as a goal and be able to maintain an ongoing commitment to an increased amount of instruction. In addition, students must be able to attend adult education and Transition to College Program classes simultaneously. If a student’s adult education classes are scheduled at the same time as Transition to College Program classes, adult education classes must be prioritized.

**Program Description:** The Transition to College Program provides a foundation of services that assists adult education students in their transition to certificate and degree programs at Bristol and throughout their first year in college. The program provides adult learners with College for Success and Career Exploration Seminar courses that are held in a cohort model as well as paid tuition for four additional college courses towards a student’s chosen degree or certificate program.  Program support services include assistance with college admissions and financial aid, college orientation, program workshops focusing on student success, and individualized monthly advising leading to both academic and career goal development.

**Program Benefits:**

* Assistance through the college admissions and enrollment process
* Program workshops focusing on career exploration and student success
* On-going academic support throughout first year of college:
* Weekly check-ins
* Individualized, monthly advising appointments
* Introduction to on-campus academic and support services, clubs, and organizations
* Check-in on courses and managing workload
* Addressing academic and personal challenges by providing resources and making referrals
* Assistance with academic planning, goal setting, course selection, and choosing academic programs

**Program Design:** Transition to College Program courses are offered in the fall and spring semesters. The College Success Seminar (CSS 101) and Career Exploration Seminar (CSS 103) are held in a cohort model. The four additional 3-credit college courses can be chosen directly from the college’s course schedule. This provides students with the flexibility to choose their courses at the days, times, and campuses most convenient.

Course Offerings:

* CSS 101: College Success Seminar (1 credit)
* CSS 103: Career Exploration Seminar (1 credits)
* Four 3-credit college courses towards a student’s chosen degree or certificate program
  + Two 3-credit courses during fall semester
  + Two 3-credit courses during spring semester.