

Native American Career and Technical Education Program (NACTEP)

GRANTEE: Salish Kootenai College
TYPE OF INSTITUTION: Tribally Controlled College

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FEDERAL AWARD: \$479,490

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PROJECT SUMMARY:

Salish Kootenai College is a tribally controlled college. The NACTEP project design and services are based on competency-based instructional programs with a coherent sequence of courses in five CTE programs: Information Technology (STEM), Forestry (STEM), Nursing, Dental Assisting Technology, and Highway Construction Training. Instruction includes “all aspects of industry” and cooperative education where students gain hands-on practical working experience for course credit. The project also provides job placement services and career guidance and counseling, which includes utilizing the Montana Career Information System (MTCIS), a computerized program that matches student interests, values, and occupational aspirations and expectations with any of the 16 CTE career clusters and associated educational and career pathways. The NACTEP project also provides professional development workshops for CTE instructors.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- A minimum of 83 students will be enrolled each year in the five CTE programs, with 75% completing their courses with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or greater, a 60% retention rate, a 35 % completion rate, and a 30% job or advanced training placement rate.
- Career counseling and guidance, including MTCIS services, will be provided for 100% of project participants seeking these services.
- Cooperative education work experience courses will be provided for 50% of project participants.
- Professional development training will be provided for 20-24 NACTEP CTE instructors and staff.

EDUCATIONAL LEVEL OF PARTICIPANTS: Postsecondary

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION TRAINING PROGRAMS:

PROGRAM

CERTIFICATION

Information Technology (STEM)	Associate of Science Degree
Forestry (STEM)	Associate of Science Degree
Nursing	Associate of Science Degree in Nursing (ASN)
Dental Assisting Technology	Certificate, 1 industry-recognized credential
Highway Construction Training	Certificate, 4 Industry-recognized credentials

AVAILABLE DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO STUDENTS:

Scholarships and financial aid
Career guidance and personal counseling, including Annual Career Fair
Montana Career Information System (MTCIS)
Tutoring
Child Care
Transportation
On-campus student housing
Learning labs (Math, Information Technology and Writing Center)
Job placement services

NUMBER OF PROGRAM SITES: 1

PARTNERSHIPS & COLLABORATIVES:

Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes (CSKT)
CSKT Education Department and Tribal Employee Rights Officer
Five NACTEP CTE Project Advisory Committees, including numerous potential employers
Mission Valley One-Stop Workforce System (WIA)
Lake County Job Service
Montana Department of Transportation
Montana Contractors' Association
Kicking Horse Job Corps Center

ACCRDITATION STATUS:

Accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU)