KEY FACTS  (DATA FROM 2016-2017 ACADEMIC YEAR. REFLECTS HEADCOUNT UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.)

Year Founded 1930
Enrollment
Headcount (all sources) 4,200
FTES (all sources) 2,142

Service Area Grays Harbor, Pacific counties
Headcount (state-funded) 2,794
FTES (state-funded) 1,565

Legislative Districts 19, 24
Purpose for Attending Attendance
FTES (all sources) 2,142 11% basic skills
FTES (state-funded) 1,565 2% other

Students in Selected Programs
Applied Bachelor’s Degree 34
Corrections 874
I-BEST 98
International 2
Running Start 252
Worker Retraining 300

Median Age: 24
Family and Finances
Students receiving need-based financial aid 57%
Eligible programs 57%
Students who work 38%
Students with children 31%

Ethnicity* 52% workforce education
African American 4%
Asian 5%
Hispanic/Latino 17%
Native American 9%
Pacific Islander 1%
Other, Multiracial 1%
White/Caucasian 70%

Gender
Female 59%
Male 41%

Gender* May not add up to 100% because students may be counted in more than one race.

POINTS OF INTEREST

3 Bachelor of Applied Science Degrees Launched

As of fall 2017, Grays Harbor College has launched three successful Bachelor of Applied Science degree programs. Students in the first cohort of Organizational Management BAS are now in their second year. The faculty member hired for the new Forest Resources Management BAS degree comes from studying forests in the Amazon and Japan to the Rain Forest of our Olympic Peninsula. Also underway is a new Teacher Education BAS, answering a plea from area school districts for well-trained local teachers.

Developing Programs for More Opportunities

Expansion of our existing one-year certificate in Early Childhood Education into an Associate of Applied Science degree is now being developed. For some GHC students, this offers an excellent career pathway working with children of varying ages. Likewise, an expanded 3 + 1 Associate in Science — Nursing (ASN) Transfer degree is also being developed. Nursing students would be at GHC for three years and then transfer for one year to complete a university’s Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree program.

Partnership With Area High Schools Brings New AAS Program

Grays Harbor College’s new Medical Assistant Program is an educational partnership with the Twin Harbors Skills Center, a workforce training consortium supported by 13 area school districts. Enrollment in the two-year Associate of Applied Science program is split between 11 high school seniors and 11 GHC students who are mostly dislocated workers coming back for retraining. The program provides preparation for a wide variety of employment opportunities; previously students would have to commute long distances to find Medical Assistant training. A versatile profession, well-trained Medical Assistants are in high demand in this area.