

# East Bay Career Advancement Academy

A BRIDGE TO THE FUTURE



Contra Costa  
Community  
College District  
*pathways to success*

## What is the Career Advancement Academy?

The academy is one of three regional workforce development programs funded by the Chancellor's Office of the California Community Colleges, through the Governor's Career Technical Education Initiative (SB 70, Scott).



## How is the academy organized?

The East Bay academy operates as a collaborative effort among the Contra Costa and Peralta Community College Districts, seven participating colleges and community-based partners in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

## Who is eligible to participate?

Adults between 18-30 years of age are encouraged to apply for the academy, regardless of past educational experience. A high school diploma is not required.

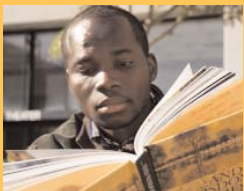
## How does the registration process work?

Prospective students meet with a counselor who will provide personalized assistance, including assessment and enrollment. The academy works closely with each college to provide a range of services, including books, fee waivers and financial aid.



## What career paths are offered?

During the fall 2009 semester, the academy offers courses leading to over 20 career paths in sustainable industries of the future, such as bio-manufacturing, renewable energy, automotive technology and many others.



## What courses are required?

Students enroll in college credit courses – a counseling course and basic skills courses emphasizing reading, writing and math. Instruction is provided in a "contextualized" framework, using practical, industry-specific examples.

## How are academy classes structured?

Students are placed together in groups, or "cohorts," of no more than 25. Students and faculty form a supportive learning community designed to support achievement and successful transition to further training or academic pursuits.



## What happens when coursework is complete?

The academy is a focused, one semester program. Students completing the academy program will be better prepared for a wide variety of vocational and academic pursuits, as well as industry-specific training and employment opportunities.



## PARTICIPATING COLLEGES

Berkeley City College  
College of Alameda  
Contra Costa College  
Diablo Valley College  
Laney College  
Los Medanos College  
Merritt College

## CAREER PATHS

Appliance Technology  
ATLAS - Warehousing  
and Logistics  
Automotive Technology  
Bio Manufacturing  
Bio Technology  
CARRERA -  
Career Exploration  
Carpinteria Fina  
[Fine Woodworking]  
Child Development  
Construction  
Culinary Arts - Baking  
Culinary Arts - Cooking  
Early Childhood  
Special Education  
Environmental Control  
Technology [ECT]  
Human Services  
Machine Technology  
Renewable Energy  
Social Service  
Paraprofessionals  
Transportation Technology  
*(partial list)*

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## A Bridge to the Future

“The basic skills crisis in education is actually a workforce crisis.”

– Linda Collins, Executive Director, Career Ladders Project

“The academy is a bridge to the jobs that are out there in the future.”

– William Hanson, Director, East Bay Career Advancement Academy

### COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Alameda County Social Services  
Bay Area Business Roundtable  
City of Berkeley Youth Works  
Contra Costa Faith Works (Richmond)  
Covenant House (Oakland)  
Ebenezer Baptist Church (Berkeley)  
First Place for Youth – Alameda  
and Contra Costa Counties

Oakland Chamber of Commerce  
Oakland Private Industry Council  
Swords to Plowshares  
(Oakland & San Francisco)  
Workforce Development Board  
of Contra Costa County  
Youth Employment Partnership (Oakland)  
Youth Uprising (Oakland)

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