

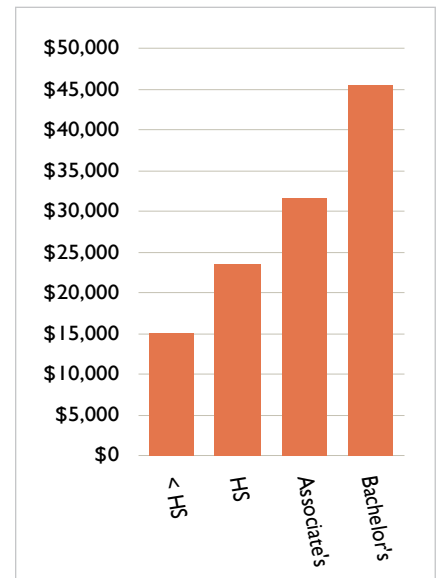
Student Perspective

Education Will Pay You Back—For a Lifetime



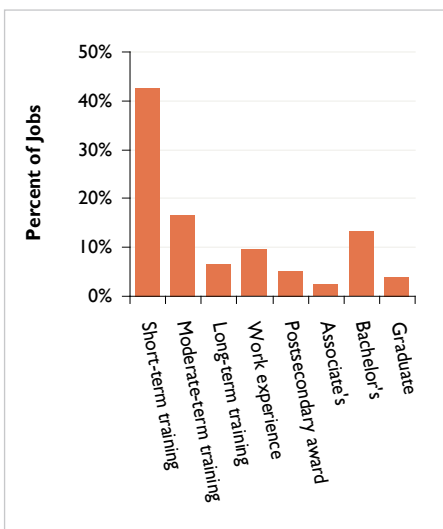
- Students enjoy an attractive 13.2% rate of return on their HCC educational investment.
- Over the course of his or her working career, the average HCC student's lifetime earnings will increase \$2.60 for every dollar invested in their HCC education (in the form of tuition, fees, and forgone earnings).
- The average annual income of the typical associate's degree graduate in the Eastern North Carolina, Roanoke Valley Region at the midpoint of his or her career is \$31,700, 35% more than someone with a high school diploma.
- Over the course of a working lifetime, associate's degree graduates in the Eastern North Carolina, Roanoke Valley Region earn \$232,400 more than someone with a high school diploma (undiscounted).

Average Earnings in Eastern North Carolina, Roanoke Valley Region



Education Is Your Ticket to a Better Job

Projected 2020 Jobs in Eastern North Carolina, Roanoke Valley Region by Skill Level



- By 2020 it is anticipated that there will be about 10,700 new and replacement jobs available in the Eastern North Carolina, Roanoke Valley Region.
- About 19% of these jobs will require an education level equal to an associate's degree or greater.
- Another 5% of available jobs in 2020 will require some kind of post-secondary certificate or vocational award.

