Career and Technical Education in Hawai’i

- Hawai’i is unique in that there is only one school district that covers all K-12 public schools and one postsecondary system that covers both community colleges and four-year colleges. Hawai’i delivers CTE through comprehensive high schools and seven community colleges.
- Hawai’i has implemented a robust dual credit program that serves all students, including those in CTE programs. The various initiatives have increased the number of students who enroll in college, increased the percentage of economically disadvantaged students who enroll and persist in college, narrowed the gap for economically disadvantaged graduates, and doubled the number of graduates with college credit since 2011.
- Learn more at www.hawaii.edu/cte and www.acteonline.org/hawaii.

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<th>In school year 2016-2017, Hawai’i served 25,964 CTE high school students and 8,640 CTE postsecondary students.</th>
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Exemplary CTE Programs in Hawai’i

- **Hawai‘i Community College** partnered with The Salvation Army to provide meals to residents displaced by the Puna lava flow and Kīlauea ash eruption who stayed at emergency shelters in Pāhoa and Kea‘au in spring 2018. Hawai‘i CC’s culinary arts program prepared breakfast, lunch and dinner several days a week for approximately 300 people at each meal. Faculty, staff and student interns from Hawai‘i CC’s agriculture program grew and harvested produce at the program’s farm site in Pana‘ewa. The produce was used in the meals prepared by the culinary arts program. In addition, Hawai‘i CC’s planning, operations and maintenance department assisted with the delivery of meals from the Hilo campus to the shelters. “Our thoughts are with all those affected by the eruption,” said Shawn Sumiki, a Hawai‘i CC culinary arts instructor. “There are so many people and organizations helping out during this disaster, and the Hawai‘i Community College ‘ohana is pleased to be able to use some of the resources we have available to contribute to this effort.” *(Profile provided by Hawai‘i ACTE)*

- Faculty for **Kapi‘olani Community College**’s associate degree in nursing programs can proudly say their nursing department is among the best in the nation. According to the Mountain Measurement NCLEX Program Report for April-September 2018, which is published by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, students from 1,076 associate degrees in nursing programs nationwide took the National Licensure Examination (NCLEX–RN). The NCLEX–RN is required to receive a registered nurse license. All of Kapi‘olani CC’s associate degree in nursing graduates passed the exam as first-time candidates. Of the 1,076 programs taking the NCLEX–RN during this period, 137 programs, or only 13 percent of all programs in the nation, received a 100-percent pass rate. Toni Choy, nurse-instructor at Kapi‘olani CC said, “Of all the four-year and two-year nursing programs in the United States, KCC was [among] the best in the nation with all of the 2018 graduates passing the [NCLEX] RN licensing exam on their first try. They even beat out most of the four-year nursing programs throughout the United States and Hawai‘i.” The NCLEX Program Report for this period ranked Kapi‘olani CC’s nursing programs based on the percentage of the passing rate of graduates. Kapi‘olani CC also ranked first out of eight nursing programs in the state. *(Profile provided by Hawai‘i ACTE)*

In school year 2016-2017:
- **99** percent of Hawai‘i CTE high school students graduated
- **97** percent met performance goals for technical skills
- **100** percent went on to postsecondary education, the workforce or the military
- **95** percent of Hawai‘i CTE postsecondary students met performance goals for technical skills