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## Scholarships

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BCI has put in place a variety of financial aid options for our students. These options are vital for the fulfillment of our mission to bring career education to the community.

The options for our students include school sponsored, State Sponsored and Federal Government sponsored financial aid.

### **School sponsored programs are:**

PAYL (pay as you learn) self-payment program, and BCI Targeted Scholarships and grants.

### **Federal programs include:**

Federal Work Study Community Service, Federal Work Study Job Local Development, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, Federal Direct Student Loan Program Stafford Loan Program, Federal Direct Student Loan Program Plus, Federal Work Study Private Sector Employment, Federal Perkins Loan, Federal Pell Grant, Federal Direct Student Loan Program Stafford Unsubsidized Loan programs.

Of particular interest to our students are Scholarships available through BCI. These do not require repayment and may be used in conjunction with other financial aid offerings.

### **Education Continuation Grant (ECG):**

This is a scholarship set aside solely for students seeking to enroll in a 600 hour or above program at BCI's Malden or Brookline Campus. This scholarship provides for gap payment between Grant amounts and that required for tuition; or a 1 for 1 dollar match to the student contribution up to \$2,000.00. The option for the grant is: Whichever is of greater to the student.

In order to receive this award, It is required that the student enroll at BCI within 6 months of receiving their high school diploma or GED. The student must complete the program within 2 academic years while maintaining a 3.0 grade point average or greater.

### **Career Reentry Award Fund for Training (CRAFT):**

A CRAFT award is a scholarship for those persons seeking to reenter the workplace who do not possess the financial resources to other wise pay for their own education. Prospects must have a high school or equivalency awarded more than 3 years prior and must be able to demonstrate a verifiable needs test.

Awards are tiered based upon the needs test, but may range up to 100% of the tuition for any program offered in excess of 500 hours. Additionally, applicants will contract to actively seek employment relevant to the BCI program they complete. Failure to acquire gainful employment relevant to their training for at least one 4 month period within 18 months of their graduation shall breach this contract.

The student must complete the program within 2 academic year while maintaining a 3.0 grade point average or greater.

**Woman and Minority Discretionary fund (WMD):**

From time to time, BCI sets aside a limited pool of scholarship funds for award to Woman and Minority applicants. The applicant must be otherwise qualified to enroll in a specific program. They must apply by means of providing a written >500 word essay, which sets out their particular reason(s) why they should be awarded a WMD scholarship. Additional topics for the essay are available in the application packet.. The applicant must agree to provide verifiable demographic information as to their Gender and/or Minority status, and must consent for their essay to be used in solicitations determined suitable by BCI and solely for purposes aligned with BCI's mission statement.

The student must complete the program within 2 academic year while maintaining a 3.0 grade point average or greater.