ROP PROGRAM PLACEMENT RATES

The Butte County Regional Occupational Program is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and the Council on Occupational Education (COE). Both accreditation processes assure quality and integrity in career and technical education. As part of the COE accreditation, ROP is required to calculate program placement rates.

COE measures job placement based on the students that complete or graduate from a program and are employed in a related field of study, enlisted in the military or continued their education. Completers are divided into graduate and non-graduate completers. Graduate completers are students who have completed the program in its entirety, demonstrated the competencies required for the program and have been awarded the appropriate certificates. Non-graduate completers are students who left the program before graduation but acquired sufficient competencies through the program to become employed in the field or a related field of study.

How the Calculation Works

Total Placement Rate Calculation

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\frac{\text{Total number of completers employed in a related field of study, enlisted in the military, or continued their education}}{(\text{Total amount of completers} - \text{exclusions})} \times 100
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Graduate Placement Rate Calculation

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\frac{\text{Total number of graduate completers employed in a related field of study, enlisted in the military, or continued their education}}{(\text{Total amount of completers} - \text{exclusions})} \times 100
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Exclusions

Students that might be excluded from the rate are:

- Students who transferred to another program within the institution
- Students who received a 100% refund of tuition after withdrawal from the program
- Students who graduated but are waiting to take their licensure exams
- Students documented to be unavailable to earn a certificate in their programs or to gain employment in the field due to situations such as pregnancy, other serious health-related issues (physical/mental/behavioral), caring for ill family members, incarceration, death etc.

Gainful Employment placement information is available on the CTEC-ROP Accreditation webpage at: [https://ctec.bcoe.org/o/ctec/page/accreditation--4](https://ctec.bcoe.org/o/ctec/page/accreditation--4).