

Option	Definition	Examples	
2-Year College	A community or junior college in which students can earn an Associate's Degree with the option of transferring to a 4-Year College.	Portland Community College Oregon Coast Community College Central Oregon Community College	
4-Year College	A public or private college or university in which students earn a Bachelor's Degree.	Local: Portland State University Lewis and Clark College Oregon: Southern Oregon University Willamette University	National: Montana State University Augustana College International Universities: The University of British Columbia The University of Tokyo
Technical and Professional Programs	A specific training program that prepares students for a highly skilled profession such as: certified nursing assistant, automotive repair, computing technology, welding, etc. These programs (which are most often offered at a Community College) usually result in the student earning a license or certificate, and may include earning an Associate's Degree.	Automotive Service Technology at PCC Welding Technology at Mt. Hood Community College Energy Systems Maintenance at Clackamas Community College Dental Assisting at Chemeketa Community College Web Development at Clark College Animal Science at Linn-Benton Community College Culinary Arts at Lane Community College	
Apprenticeships	Working with a highly-skilled mentor in a formalized program to learn a specific trade such as masonry, carpentry, construction and heavy equipment operation.	Pre-Apprenticeship Program at PCC Oregon Apprenticeship Training Division Oregon Tradeswomen	
Military	Enlistment with a branch of the armed forces. Career and educational opportunities are provided through the military.	Branches of Service: Marines Coast Guard	College Option: Military Academies West Point Air Force Academy
Gap Year	Structured or unstructured break between high school and post-high school education.	Outward Bound Winterline	
Work	Students choose to find a job right after high school.	Career One Stop- Get My Future	