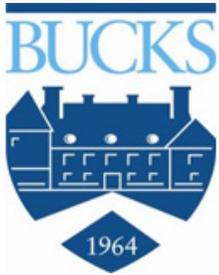




# PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES



**Founded in 1964**

**Three campuses:  
Newtown  
Bristol  
Perkasie  
and online**

**Currently serves  
more than 9,000  
degree-seeking  
students.**

**Bucks County  
Community  
College offers nearly  
80 programs that  
lead to an associate  
degree or a  
certificate.**

**Students are  
required to meet  
with an advisor  
prior to registration.**

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## **Focus on: Bucks County Community College**

The college's new Science Center is a state-of-the-art learning environment designed to educate our next generation of scientists and engineers in a variety of STEM fields. The 43,000 sq. ft. building, geothermally heated and cooled, has 10 laboratories to train students for jobs in biotechnology and health careers, as well as prepare them to transfer in biology, chemistry, environmental science and engineering. This new building increases our capacity to educate students in the STEM fields. This area has seen increased enrollment for many years and with 60% of new jobs in the STEM fields, the college is poised to educate more students in STEM. With a design focus on collaborative and team learning and many glass walls, the Center puts 'science on display' to encourage all students to share in the excitement of science. It is scheduled to open in January.



Bucks was awarded a \$350,000 grant from the National Science Foundation to build a high-speed data network to support science and technology research and education. The two-year project will develop a cyber-infrastructure for the college's new Science Center to support STEM and other research on campus involving the movement of large data through the network.



Bucks was the first community college to be awarded such a grant. The University of Pennsylvania, Bucks' lead institution partner, will aid in the design, provide technical services to ensure the network will meet current and future needs, and offer Bucks faculty and students access to scientific domains at a research institution.

In addition to credit offerings, Bucks serves more than 75,000 noncredit students through its Continuing and Workforce Education Division, and operates two public safety training centers to train firefighters and other first responders here and across the globe. The Center for Workforce Development offers customized on-site training for area corporations and businesses, training about 4,800 employees each year.