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Bringing in the New Year



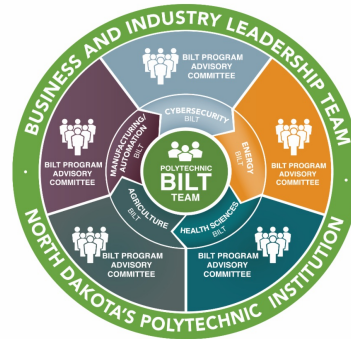
Hess Corporation continues to be a great supporter and sponsor of Bismarck State College. Their recent donation in the amount of \$50,000 will support additional equipment for several programs and non-credit training through the National Energy Center of Excellence. Partnerships with industry are vital to BSC and Bismarck State College would not be as successful without partners like Hess Corporation.



The Bismarck Mandan Home Builders Association recently awarded \$3,000 in Student Scholarships.

Business & Industry Leadership Team (BILT)

Bismarck State College, North Dakota's Polytechnic Institution is delighted to share our new approach to assessing and advancing education, BILT. BILT is a collaborative leadership model that allows business and industry to offer direct input in the development of college technical programs.



With BILT, business and industry experts identify knowledge, skills, and abilities (KSAs) that are required in the workforce. This information is then shared with our faculty in time for curriculum adjustment. The mutual ownership in program development provides greater commitment and better results.

Whether studying arts and sciences or pursuing highly technical programming, Bismarck State College North Dakota's Polytechnic Institution and BILT, are strengthening *Hands-On Learning. Workforce Ready.* education and positioning our campus and community for future success!

Benefits

- Mutual ownership in program development
- Valued advice, greater commitment, better results
- Professional relationships
- Businesses identify knowledge, skills, and abilities (KSAs) that are required
- Workforce ready job candidates

BILT Membership

- Dave Farnsworth, *Chair of ND Workforce Development Council*, Retired Great River Energy
- Brent Lohnes, *General Manager*, Hess Corporation
- Kirsten Baesler, *Superintendent*, ND Department of Public Instruction
- Jace Beehler, *Chief of Staff*, Office of the Governor
- Steven Edwardson, *Executive Administrator*, ND Barley Council
- Kristen Hedger, *Vice President*, Killdeer Manufacturing
- Jason Herner, *Account Manager*, High Point Network
- Kevin Hullet, *Market Manager for Economic Development and Government Programs*, Bank of ND
- Dean Kuhn, *Site Operations Manager*, Doosan Bobcat

- Katie Raiston, *Director of Workforce Division*, ND Department of Commerce
 - Shawn Riley, *Chief Information Officer*, ND Information Technology Department
 - Brian Ritter, *President*, Bismarck Mandan Economic Development Chamber
 - Dr. Todd Schaffer, *President & CEO*, Sanford Bismarck
 - Wayde Sick, *Director*, ND Department of Career and Technical Education
 - Dan Wogsland, *Executive Administrator*, ND Grain Growers Association
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Connecting Talent to Opportunity

By: Joshua Randolph

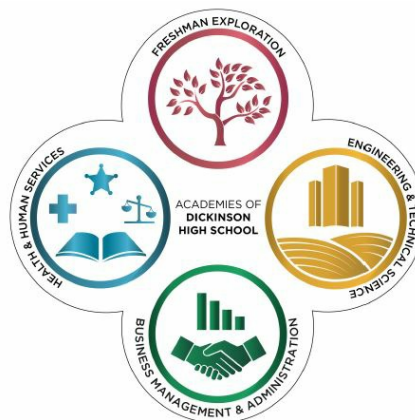
Director of Career, Advising and Counseling

As Spring 2022 classes begin at Bismarck State College, we are excited for all that is happening on campus, including the return of the BSC Spring Job and Internship Fair. On Wednesday, March 2, 2022 from 4:00pm to 6:30pm students and members of the public will be coming together at the National Energy Center of Excellence (NECE) building to visit with and learn about employers from across the region and a variety of fields.

The BSC Spring Job Fair gives us the opportunity to assist our students with the process of turning their education into a career. For employers, we know the job market has changed a lot in the past year and it is our hope that this event would be a benefit to them in their search to find qualified candidates to match their needs and values. The importance of this event can't be understated as it gives both employers and job seekers the opportunity to connect face to face and begin to build relationships that can have lasting effects.

If you are a business and would like to register for a table at the event, you can do so via [BSC 2022 Spring Job Fair](#).

Out & About





Dickinson High School hosted their first annual Academy Expo. The Expo highlighted how business can work with and provide expertito students in southwest North Dakota and also how schools can partner with business to give students career-based opportunities while in high school.

Come See Us!

Upcoming Events

- Jan 25-27: **Energy Progress & Innovation Conference**-Bismarck Event Center
- Feb 4: Robotics Awareness Event-Bismarck State College
- Feb 16: Sanford Health Careers-Bismarck State College
- Mar 2: **Spring Career Fair**-Bismarck State College
- Mar 7: **Jamestown STEM Event**-Jamestown
- Mar 14: Beulah Chamber (Cybersecurity)-Beulah
- Mar 22: National Ag Day & Ag Program Open House-Bismarck State College

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