

# Career & Technical Education (CTE) Employment Outcomes Survey 2013 Foothill College

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## Background

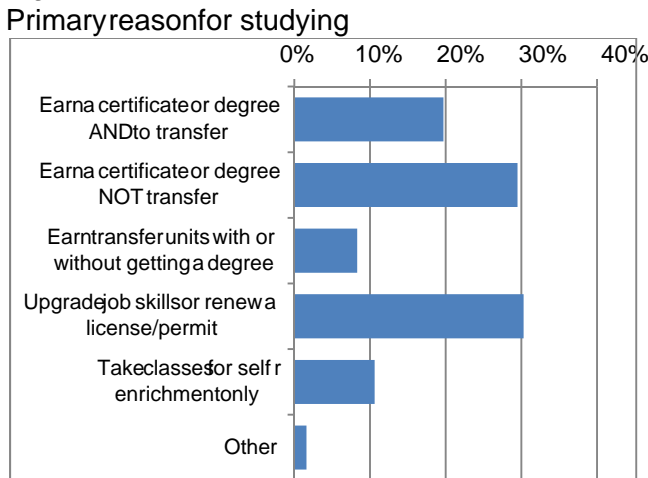
Skills building students from Foothill College were surveyed if they met one of the following criteria in 2010-2011, and did not enroll in 2011-2012: earned a certificate of 6 or more units, earned a vocational degree, or earned 9+ CTE units. The survey was administered in early 2013 first by e mail, then by US mail. The survey addressed student perceptions of their CTE program, employment outcomes, and how their coursework and training relate to their current career.

The sample consisted of 1,838 unduplicated students, 133 of whom responded by e mail (7%), 128 by US mail (7%) for a total response rate of 14%.

## Results

• Respondents were asked their primary reason for studying at Foothill College and half (49%) indicated earning a certificate or degree (with or without transfer). Figure 1 shows the results.

Figure 1



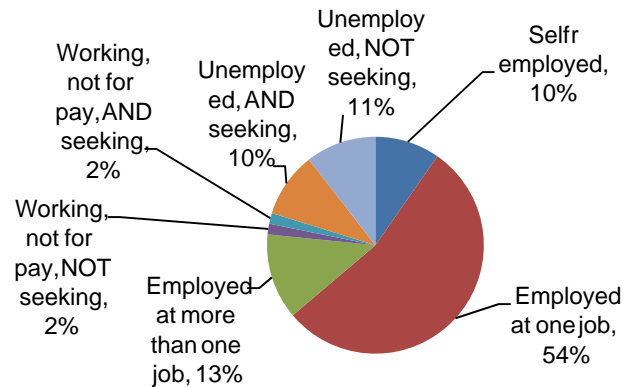
- Respondents were asked why they stopped taking classes at Foothill College. Here are the most frequently cited reasons in rank order of frequency:
  - 9 My goals were met (105)
  - 9 I completed the program (100)
  - 9 I got a job (53)
  - 9 I transferred to another school (39)
  - 9 Classes needed were not available (35) to pursue

## Bachelor's Degree.

- 77% of respondents are employed for pay. Figure 2 shows the results.

Figure 2

Current Employment Status



- Overall, statewide, students who transferred have twice the likelihood of being unemployed and not seeking employment, likely because they are enrolled at a four year institution.

