# Okaloosa-Walton Community College Site-Based Baccalaureate Degree Programs



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Florida's K-20 System at Its Best!

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OWCC, with approximately 40% of FTIC college students in need of remediation, produces more degrees per student enrollment with the lowest cost to the State and the lowest tuition in the State.

- Annual unduplicated enrollment of over 15,000 at six campuses and centers
- FTE of 3,739
- Over 1,200 degrees awarded in 2001-02
- Highest community college graduation rate in Florida
- 50% of faculty with doctorates or 30+ graduate hours beyond the master's
- Home to A+ rated Collegiate High School
- Home to award-winning ROTC Program
- Committed to innovation and community needs



# Baccalaureate Degrees: A Natural Progression

# Bachelor of Applied Science in Project and Acquisitions Management (BAS)

- Career Ladder for A.A., A.S. and A.A.S. students
- Flexible delivery and scheduling
- Reflects economic development mission by supporting militaryrelated business and industry
- No comparable program in the area
- Clear demand by students and employers
- Four curricular options reflecting local need

#### Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)

- Uses State AS to BS model to build on OWCC ADN program
- Flexible delivery and scheduling for place-bound and working students
- Requested and supported by local health care providers
- Addresses critical state and local employment needs
- Traditional BSN content plus specialized clinical experiences and emphasis on critical thinking
- No comparable program in the area

### OWCC COMMITMENT TO A SEAMLESS EDUCATION SYSTEM

Postsecondary

Certificate/
Associate

Baccalaureate

Postsecondary Graduate

Pre-K

Grades 7-9 Grades 10-12

Dual

**Enrollment** 

**Programs** 

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Programs

Postsecondary

Programs

#### OWCC EDUCATION CONTINUUM

Child	Proposed
Development	Partnership
and	for
Education	Charter
Programs	Junior
	High
On-Site	School
Child Care	
Center	

ABE	<b>A.A.</b>
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GED	<b>A.S</b> .
	A.A.S
Collegiate	A.T.D.
High	Certificates
School	

A.A.	OWCC-UN
A.S.	Joint
A.A.S	Campus
A.T.D.	
rtificates	Arts
	Center
	AA to BA
Dual	

OWCC-UWF	OWCC-UW
Joint	Joint
Campus	Campus
	M.A.
<b>A</b> rts	M.S.
Center	Ed.D.
AA to BA	

Proposed B.A.S.

Proposed B.S.N.

#### Site-Based Baccalaureate Access at OWCC

#### Ideal match to intent of F.S. 1007.33

- ☑ Responds to local workforce demand
- ✓ Local access for place-bound, non-traditional students
- ✓ Wise use of public resources and facilities

#### Ideal match with K-20 Goals and Strategic Imperatives

- ☑ Highest student achievement
- Maximum access
- ☑ Quality efficient services





#### NEED

- 187 regional openings annually, plus additional independent contractor needs
- Written support of both need and unique nature of degree from multiple local CEO's
- Content addresses nature of local military-related economy
- 98% support from student surveys (294 students)
- 90% of 130 students in random sample of follow-up survey desire this particular degree

- Regional vacancy and turnover rates exceed state levels
- 123 regional openings annually; current vacancies of 50+
- Addresses needs of place-bound and working students
  - → 70% of OWCC ADN students want BSN option
  - > 300+ local ADN's interested
- Requested by local health care providers
- Local BSN helps hospitals retain existing staff and recruit new staff
- Provides return-to-work strategy for non-practicing RN's



#### POTENTIAL IMPACT

BAS

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#### BAS

- Current AA to BA format with UWF not designed for this subject/skill area
- Program content not available through other local providers
- Technical credit component makes joint university program unlikely
- Two new positions projected
- Existing faculty will supplement instruction, but not be reassigned
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#### IMPLEMENTATION

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### COST EFFECTIVENESS

BAS

- Community College tuition saves students money, comparing favorably with all other public and private alternatives
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- No new facility-related costs
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#### GETTING



## STARTED AFTER APPROVALS

#### BAS

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- Follow-up with local employers
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### AN OPPORTUNITY AND A CHALLENGE

