# **Reduce Costs**

This cost comparison is based on 2014 Cost of Attendance figures required annually by the Department of Education. This chart reflects the costs for a two-year Associate's Degree versus a four-year Bachelor's Degree. The tuition and fees are based on a WV resident, not living with parents.

\$25.37

\$5.340

\$30.264

\$11.600

\$24.916

Rooks and Supplies

- Books and Supplies
- Living Expenses (Housing/Food)
- Personal and Travel
- Average Tuition and Fees
- \* Average of Median Incomes

cal Four-Year Public

\$21.01

\$2,668

\$12,716

\$6.224

\$7.476

The median salary data in this publication is supplied by Economic Modeling Specialists International historic labor market information, which is compiled from 90+ data sources, and updated quarterly to ensure the most precise regional figures. Median salary figures represent all careers postings in BridgeValley service region.

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The Welding Technology Associate Degree prepares graduates to enter the field of welding. A graduate with this degree will have a strong foundation in welding and be able to advance to the upper pay level grades at a much faster pace than those untrained.

The program prepares the graduate in the selection of the right equipment; selection of filler metals; pre-, intermediate- and post-heat treatment of weld metals; and proper weld techniques. The opportunity for certification to a variety of industrial standards such as AWS, API and ASME, is included in the program.

### **Potential Careers & Salaries**

The program stresses industry-wide safety procedures and trains the student to read weld symbols and detail drawings. The student is presented with a general knowledge of many fields in welding thus allowing them to choose an area(s) to specialize in if they desire to do so. Job titles may include:

Description	Median Salary/Hour
Model Makers, Metal and Plastic	\$29.47
Structural Iron and Steel Workers	\$16.66
Structural Metal Fabricators and Fitters	\$19.75
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	\$20.77
Welding, Soldering, and Brazing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	\$16.43



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