

Durham Tech Options for Students Without a High School Credential

DURHAM TECH PROGRAM	TARGET AGE	ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS	LOCATION	TIMELINE	TARGETED FOR NON-NATIVE SPEAKERS OF ENGLISH?	EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOME	COST	DURHAM TECH CONTACT
Adult Basic Education (ABE)	18+	Orientation Must not have attended HS in 6 months At least one TABE score below 8.9 grade level	Main campus OCC Community sites	Multiple entry points	Higher-level ESL students without a HS diploma may enroll	Skill development up to 9th grade level	Free	Betty Lyons lyonsb@durhamtech.edu 919-536-7219 x3103
Adult High School Diploma	25+	Orientation	Various locations	Multiple entry points	No	Adult High School Diploma	Free	Dr. Marguerita Best bestm@durhamtech.edu 919-536-7200 x2429
Breaking Through (BT)	18+	Orientation At least one TABE score within 4–8.9 grade level range in reading, math, or English	Main campus	Multiple entry points	Higher-level ESL students without a HS diploma may enroll	ABE skill development; High School Equivalency or AHSD; then college-level credential	Paid by program, With incentive awards for students	Gregory Bellamy bellamyg@durhamtech.edu 919-536-7218 x3251
Career and College Promise (CCP)	16–18	Juniors and seniors Information session GPA and test score minimums	All campuses	Semester basis	No	College credits (dual-enrolled)	Tuition and fees are free; students must purchase books	Patricia Gould gouldp@durhamtech.edu 919-536-7200 x1417
English as a Second Language (ESL)	18+	Placement testing by ESL department before or during registration	Main campus Various off-campus locations	Part-time Semester basis	Yes	English language development, primarily survival skills	Registration is free; students may choose to purchase	CGL Office cgl@durhamtech.edu 919-536-7264 x3228
Gateway to College Adult High School Diploma	16–24	Orientation 9th grade or higher Application and interview process required	Main campus	Multiple entry points	No	Adult High School Diploma and some college credit	Paid by program	Dr. Marguerita Best bestm@durhamtech.edu 919-536-7200 x2429
General Equivalency Diploma	18+	Orientation Must not have attended HS in 6 months 6th-grade math level recommended	Main campus	Part-time Multiple entry points	Higher-level ESL students without a HS diploma may enroll	High School Equivalency test	Students must purchase a calculator and books	Dr. Marguerita Best bestm@durhamtech.edu 919-536-7200 x2429
Middle College High School (MCHS)	16–18	Juniors and seniors only Must have completed World History; English 1 and 2; Algebra 1 and Geometry or Common Core Math 1 and 2	Main campus	Rolling admission; mid-year acceptance also an option	No	HS diploma; college credits (dual-enrolled)	Free (includes textbooks)	Website 919-536-7203
Young Adult Basic Education (YABE)	16–18	Orientation Must not have attended HS in 6 months At least one TABE score below 8.9 grade level Notarized consent from parent/guardian HS disciplinary record	Main campus Online	Multiple entry points	No	Skill development up to 9 th grade level	Free	Gregory Bellamy bellamyg@durhamtech.edu 919-536-7218 x3251