



THE Uintah Basin's COLLEGE



Annual REPORT

FY2025

## FY 2025 Data



Program Completion Rate | 88%



Job Placement Rate | 83%



Campus Certificate Count | 928



Licensure Rate | 100%



Student Head Count

Secondary | 1789 | Adult | 2096 | Total | 3885



Scholarships and Financial Aid

Expended | \$1,145,353 | Students Awarded | 920



## CUSTOM FIT

State Custom Fit funds are allocated to eligible companies in need of necessary training targeting productivity, safety, enhanced leadership, technical skills, and more.

In-State Funds



\$509,900

Custom Fit Uintah Basin Businesses



143

Hours of Training



23,031

Students Served Through Custom Fit



1,466

# A MESSAGE FROM OUR COLLEGE PRESIDENT...

Uintah Basin Technical College is a nationally recognized leader in technical education. We look forward to preparing you for success in the career path of your dreams.

UBTech faculty, staff, and administrators are committed to the success of every student, and stand ready to serve and assist you in your individual educational pursuits. Our graduates are workforce ready and recognized financially for the skills they obtain through our nationally accredited certificate programs.

We have a legacy of student success, your choice to enroll at UBTEC is a wise investment in your future.



College President/CEO,  
Aaron K. Weight

“I invite you to experience the *Power* of technical education. Great opportunities await you at UBTECH!”

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Student of the Year!  
2024-2025

## AYDEN STRATZ AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Ayden's story is one of hard work, determination, and victory.

"This year has been amazing for me, I've really done a lot of things that I was nervous to do - but I was able to do it and it was really good for me," says Ayden.

A UBTECH SkillsUSA powerhouse in his own right. Competing in Motorcycle Service Technology, Stratz has brought home 3 Gold Medals from state competitions and, despite a serious back injury, returned home from Atlanta, GA with his 2nd National Gold Medal in 2025.

During Ayden's graduation speech, he reminded his peers that graduation isn't the finish line—it's a starting point. "We don't need to have it all figured out. We just need the courage to take the next step."





# Champion's Gala

“Mike is thought of as a ‘leader and an equal to all,’” said UBTech President Aaron K. Weight during his speech honoring former Uintah County Commissioner Mike McKee at the annual Champion’s Gala. “As a decision maker it wasn’t the bottom line that was important to him, it was how the bottom line impacted the people he served.”



The transformation of what at the time was the Uintah Basin Applied Technology College in Uintah County stands as a tribute to the power of collaboration, vision, and unwavering support from community leaders. At the forefront of this transformation was Mike McKee, Weight said.

Thanks to his vision and leadership, what would have been a modest facility for the technical college in Vernal grew into a state-of-the-art building that ultimately expanded from an initial \$14.5 million budget to \$27.5 million, providing invaluable resources for students.



## AN ALUMNI EVENT TO REMEMBER

In October 2024, UBTech hosted its first-ever Alumni Corn Maze Event at Water Hollow Ranch in Bluebell, Utah. More than 200 guests came out to wander, connect, and celebrate, launching what has quickly become a new annual tradition and a memorable night for the Uintah Basin community.



## STUDENT CELEBRATIONS

Grounded in UBTech’s student-centered approach, Student Celebrations provide faculty and staff with an additional opportunity to recognize and uplift the individuals who make the institution so special. Held quarterly, these events go beyond simple recognition—they shine a spotlight on student journeys, highlighting determination, growth, and success in technical education. Faculty and staff nominate students whose stories reflect perseverance, achievement, and impact, allowing those stories to be shared in a meaningful and personal way. Each celebration brings together peers, instructors, and supporters to honor milestones and encourage continued progress. Ultimately, these events reinforce UBTech’s mission by celebrating not only what students accomplish, but the futures they are actively building for themselves, their families, and their communities.



UBTech credits may transfer to colleges and universities statewide, giving students a powerful advantage—saving time, reducing financial stress, and helping them reach their goals faster. UBTech is dedicated to creating seamless pathways for student success. In FY25, Snow College introduced its “Tech Connect” initiative, reinforcing these opportunities and recognizing the value of technical training. UBTech proudly supports Snow College’s efforts to expand access and make education more affordable for students.

# SPECIAL MILESTONES

Uintah Basin Technical College (UBTech) held its largest commencement ceremony to date, with nearly 350 graduates from the Class of 2025 crossing the stage.

For graduate Tonya Brewer, earning her Pharmacy Technician certificate became a family celebration. She crossed the stage alongside her two sons.

“I was able to experience graduation with both of my sons,” she said. “I thought I was too old to go back to college. But I did it—thanks to the support of my sons and my husband.”

Tonya’s oldest son, Skyler Brewer, 32, completed his Class A Commercial Driver’s License (CDL) Program early this academic year. He entered the workforce just one week later and now works as a tank driver for Maverik. His younger brother, Donovan Brewer, earned his CDL certificate in May and received a raise upon completion.



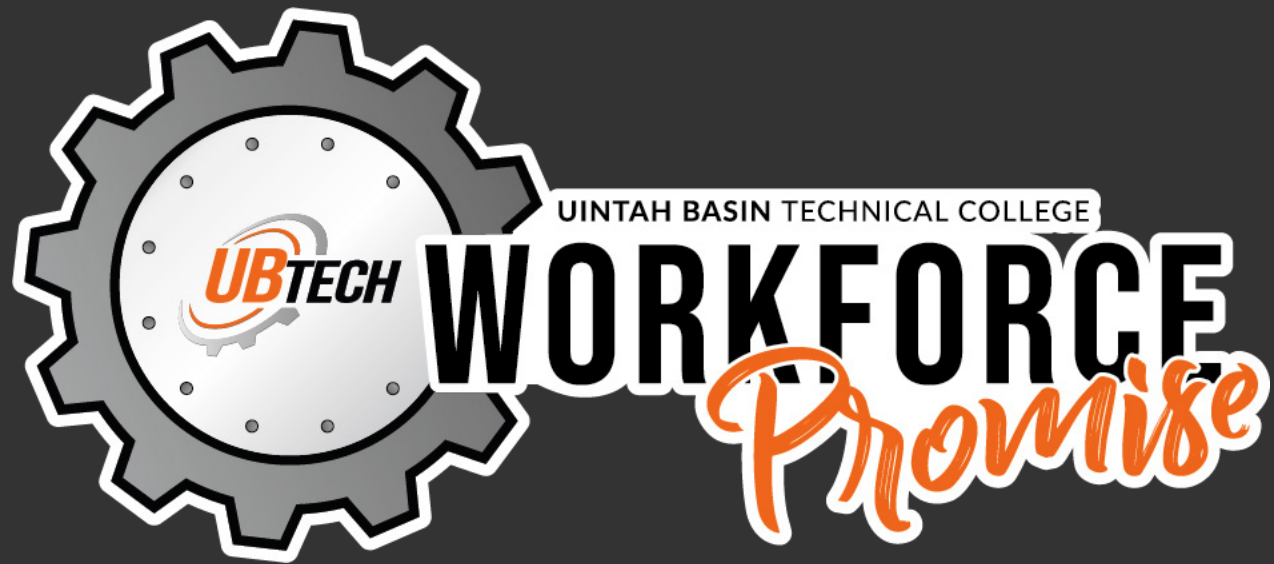
A recent report from the Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute supports these outcomes. The research shows Utahns with higher education earn more, have better employment opportunities, experience greater upward mobility, and are less likely to rely on public assistance. Technical education benefits not just individuals—but families and communities.

The ceremony celebrated far more than certificates. It marked a step forward for students ready to put their skills to work and make a difference in their lives and in the region.

UBTech President Aaron Weight closed the ceremony with a call to action. “In today’s world, it’s easy to watch events unfold,” he said. “But real impact comes from those who step up and choose to act. You’ve proven you’re capable. Now it’s time to carry that forward.”



HIGHEST CERTIFICATE COUNT IN  HISTORY  
628  
FY25



Launched  
October 2024



An initiative to prepare graduates for employment success by providing ongoing durable skills support and remediation to UBTEch graduates hired by participating employers for one year at no cost to the student or the employer.

 **CAREER READINESS**

 **DURABLE SKILLS**

Oral/Written Communications, Leadership, Digital Technology, Professionalism/Work Ethic, Teamwork/Collaboration, Inclusion, Critical Thinking/Problem Solving, and Career Management.



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