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LEVEL UP

**NO MATTER WHERE
YOU ARE IN LIFE.**

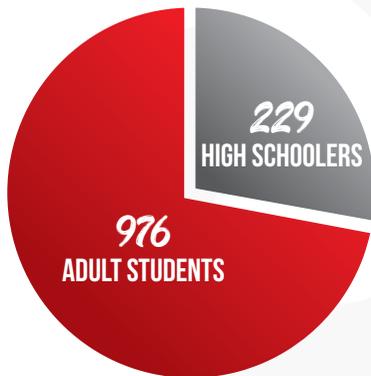


WHAT IS OTECH?

Surrounded by the scenic Wasatch Mountains, Ogden-Weber Technical College has offered hands-on technical education since 1971. The beautiful main campus and the Collette Mercier Campus – Business Depot Ogden offer convenient schedules, competency-based learning, and training opportunities in high-demand fields. With over 300 technical skills courses in 30 programs, the tech college serves over 6,000 students annually.

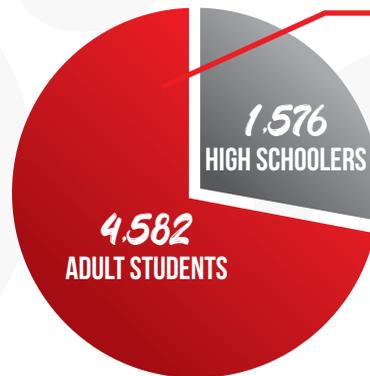
At Ogden-Weber Tech, experience is everything. Students can level up no matter where they are in life to gain a career—not just a job.

GRADUATES



TOTAL: 1,205

STUDENT POPULATION



TOTAL: 6,158

OTECH HAS THE HIGHEST
NUMBER OF ADULT STUDENTS
ENROLLED AT A TECH COLLEGE
IN THE STATE!

**Building a prosperous
community by creating
a technically skilled
workforce**

**ONE
Student
AT A
Time**



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

I spend a lot of time sharing the numbers behind the Ogden-Weber Tech story. In 2023, we served 6,158 students in 30+ programs with 200 employer partners. Our graduates see a 1,291% return on investment. OTECH serves more adult students than any other Utah technical college, and 17% of all adults enrolled in technical education come from Weber County—higher than any other county in the state.

This annual report is full of these numbers. But the most important number you'll see is one—one skill learned, one career launched, one life changed, and one community made better. None of these achievements would be possible without each person who ensured they were built one student at a time. Thank you!

A large, stylized red number '2' with a white outline and a drop shadow, positioned over a light gray square background.

**IN THEIR FIRST 10 YEARS, OTECH
ALUM EARN MORE THAN STUDENTS
FROM ALL BUT ONE OF UTAH'S
PUBLIC COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES**

A large, stylized red 'Top 1%' graphic with a white outline and a drop shadow, positioned over a light gray silhouette of the United States map.

**IN THE NATION FOR RETURN ON
INVESTMENT AND #1 IN THE STATE
FOR POST-GRADUATION SALARY
VS COST, A 1,291% ROI**

SOURCE:



**Georgetown
University**

Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce.
(2022). Ranking 4,500 Colleges by ROI.
<https://cew.georgetown.edu/cew-reports/roi2022/>

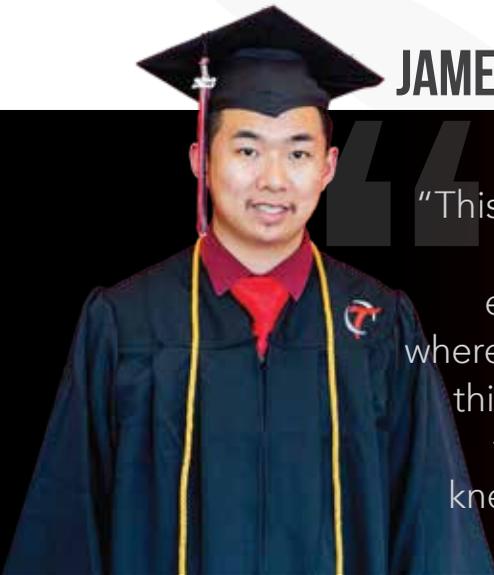
“High-ROI states commonly have a well-developed technical college system. A preponderance of career-oriented majors at four-year schools also plays a role.”

- Foundation for Research on Equal Opportunity



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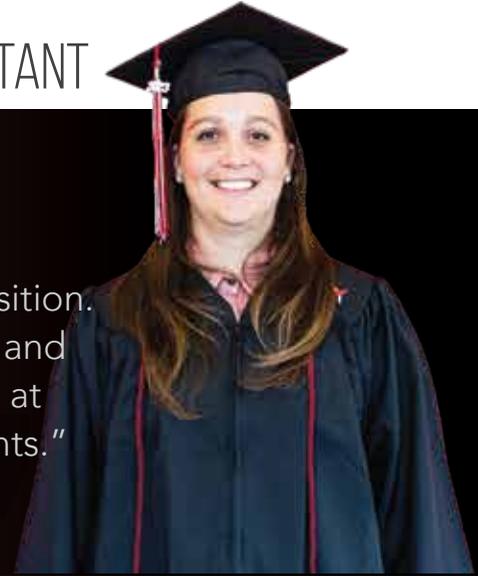
“This was one the best experiences I’ve ever experienced. Being a father of five kids who are heavily active in sports, and also working a full-time job, this school allowed me the resources and schedule to be able to finish my [program] of choice. I am very grateful for the opportunity to be able to attend OTECH.”



JAMES TRIEU AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE TECHNOLOGY

“This was a life altering experience. Being in my late 20s I never thought I was going to get any college experience. But OTECH has the doors to get you to where you want to go, and is a stepping stone to greater things. I want to thank all the instructors who gave me their time and pushed me to be the technician they knew I could be. Thank you for the great experience!”

LAURE SIMENTAL NURSING ASSISTANT



“After being a stay-at-home mom for four years, OTECH made going back to school an easy transition. It was a great experience with the most amazing and knowledgeable teachers. I truly enjoyed my time at OTECH and all the resources available for students.”

MIMI HERNANDEZ BUSINESS



“I find that Ogden-Weber Tech is the most welcoming environment for those new to the college system or to those giving further education another shot. I'm happy to say I've finally accomplished my dream certification to start my future towards a greater life for myself and my family. Thank you to my instructors and all the students involved in creating a great experience here at OTECH.”

MARRINER S. ECCLES FOUNDATION

FEATURED DONOR

Thanks to generous donors like the Marriner S. Eccles Foundation, the OTECH Foundation provided 487 student scholarships in 2023. Marriner Stoddard Eccles (1890-1977), the son of Scottish immigrants, was one of the West's most illustrious businessmen, a banker of national dimension and a key player in delivering the U.S. from the dark hours of the Great Depression and World War II.

Raised in Logan, he was just 22 years old when his father, David Eccles, died suddenly, leaving him to care for his mother, eight younger siblings and the family's business interests. With only a high school education, Marriner founded the First Security Corporation multi-state banking empire and built businesses in construction, railroads, lumber, beet sugar, and more.

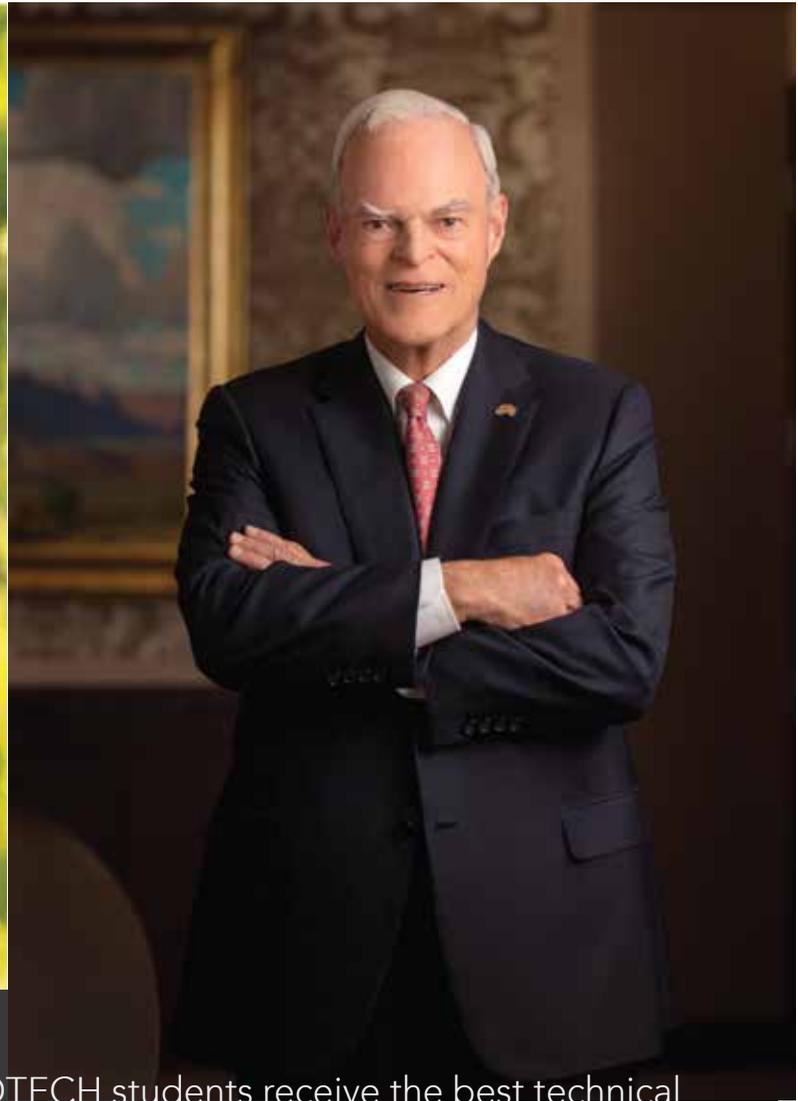
In 1934, Marriner was tapped by President Franklin D. Roosevelt to craft national monetary policies and chair the U.S. Federal Reserve Board, serving for 12 years before returning to Utah.

Marriner founded the Marriner S. Eccles Foundation in 1972 to provide philanthropic support to community organizations and higher education in Utah. Today Marriner's nephew, Spencer F. Eccles, great-niece, C. Hope Eccles, and grandson, Jim Steele, are stewards of the Foundation's legacy. The Foundation has proudly provided over \$350,000 in scholarships to Ogden-Weber Technical College students since 1998.

C. Hope Eccles says, "We see the life-changing impact these scholarships have on the lives of students and their families. We believe tech schools are the hidden gem of post-secondary education. OTECH students receive the best technical education and training in the state and are able to immediately impact our community in high-demand fields. We look forward to continuing our support of OTECH students."

*You can
donate to student
scholarships too!*





C. Hope Eccles (left) and Spencer F. Eccles (right)

“OTECH students receive the best technical education and training in the state and are able to immediately impact our community in high demand-fields.”

ELIJAH WHITNEY COMPUTER AIDED DESIGN

“Having a job right out of high school makes life a lot easier. The challenges ahead become easier and going to college becomes easier too.”

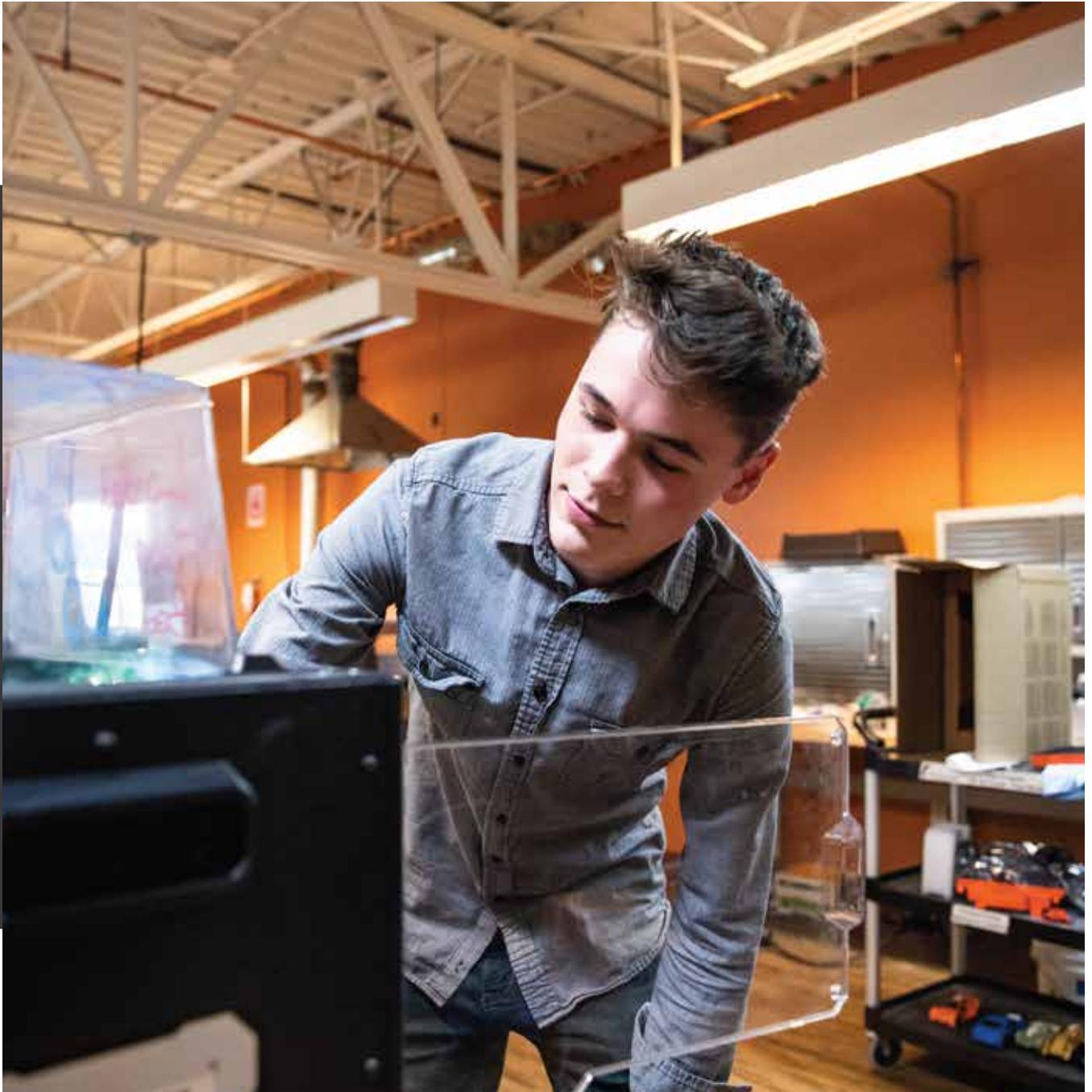
Elijah Whitney took advantage of the opportunity to get a technical college certificate while in high school and is now making a six-figure salary at 19 years old.

While attending DaVinci Academy, Elijah began taking courses in the Computer Aided Design (CAD) program just after he turned 16. He had seen his family struggle financially throughout the years and determined that the pattern of financial struggle was going to end with him. He wanted to secure his success as early as possible.

Elijah completed the CAD program at the end of his junior year, with enough credits to help him graduate a year early from high school. Graduating early allowed Elijah the flexibility to start at Northrop Grumman, making \$50.00 an hour as a contract design technician.

With a certificate under his belt and a well-paying job secured, you would guess that Elijah was done with school. However, he decided to further enhance his skills by enrolling in OTECH’s business program and taking on more advanced courses in the CAD program.

“I really liked the different manufacturing processes that I got to work with, hands-on,” Elijah said. “Being able to print something on a 3D printer and actually dig all the stuff out of it with my hands was very exciting to me.”



HIGHLIGHTS



OTECH HIGH SCHOOL

In April, Ogden School District broke ground for Ogden Technical High School on the OTECH main campus. This competency-based, dual enrollment technical high school will allow students to earn their college certificates while also completing their core graduation requirements. OTECH High is scheduled to open its doors in time for the 24-25 school year and we couldn't be more excited!



SKILLS USA CHAMPIONS

Every year, students gather from all over the country to put their skills to the test. In June, OTECH sent four students to compete in the SkillsUSA National Competition in Atlanta, GA and three came home with medals. Students in the Barbering program won gold in the high school competition and bronze in the adult competition, and a student in the Cosmetology program won bronze in the high school competition.

AM STEM

The AM STEM program started five years ago with just a dozen students at Ben Lomond High School. Since then, the program has grown exponentially. This year, AM STEM expanded into Roy High School and graduated over 30 students with a Manufacturing Technician certificate. What started small at Ben Lomond is now a multi-district program with a long waitlist of schools and students eager to join.



CLOCK TO CREDIT

Two years ago, the Utah Board of Higher Education asked technical institutions across the system to transition from a clock-hour model to a credit-hour model to better articulate with degree-granting universities. OTECH staff diligently got to work and on July 1, 2023, that transition was complete.



**OVER \$1.5 MILLION
IN SCHOLARSHIPS WERE
AWARDED TO OTECH
STUDENTS IN 2023**

31%

**OTECH SERVES THE MOST
ECONOMICALLY
DISADVANTAGED
STUDENTS IN THE STATE**

35%

**OF OTECH STUDENTS
COME FROM HISTORICALLY
UNDERREPRESENTED
GROUPS**

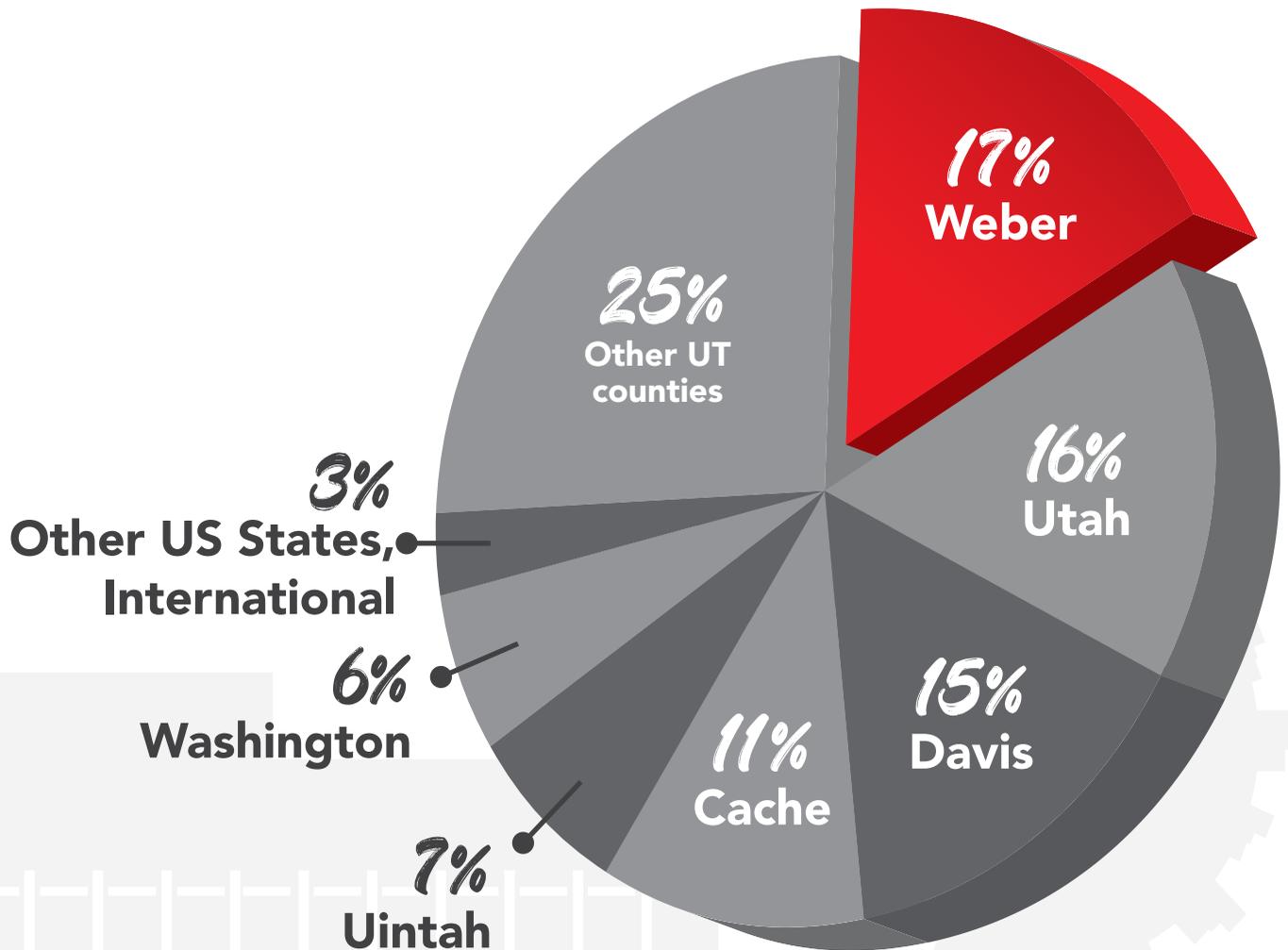


TANIA RODRIGUEZ CULINARY ARTS

I had such a great experience as a student of Culinary Arts and as a recipient of [my] scholarship [this] past year. It has greatly lightened the financial burden of my family, and receiving this scholarship has allowed me to put all my energy and focus on doing well in my classes. Thank you!

ADULT HEADCOUNT BY COUNTY OF ORIGIN

SOURCE: USHE INSTITUTIONAL FINANCIAL AND PERFORMANCE SUMMARY,
2023 GENERAL SESSION





We value our partnership with OTECH and fully understand [that] this industry isn't just about building things, it's about people.

VO BROTHERS MECHANICAL

FEATURED EMPLOYER

VO Brothers Mechanical has offered plumbing and mechanical process services to businesses, homes, and medical service providers along the Wasatch Front since 1994.

VO Brothers Mechanical has called Ogden home since day one. Even with their focus on heavy industry, at the heart of their business is community. They have spent nearly 30 years ensuring that hospitals, manufacturing plants, and other essential facilities stay online and operational.

In an industry that is only going to get faster and more advanced, VO Brothers Mechanical is grateful to have access to well-trained OTECH graduates so close to home. As VO Brothers Mechanical president, Josh VanOrden, describes, OTECH's Plumber Apprentice Related Instruction program is essential for the success of their employees and business.

"OTECH is a great partner in developing a career for our team members," VanOrden said. "We incentivize our mechanics through school, and we are persistent [in] encouraging them to finish. The field leadership can only be attained at VO through completion of the apprenticeship program."





CUSTOM FIT TRAINING & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



Each year, the Utah State Legislature allocates Custom Fit funds to encourage companies to pursue training that will maintain and grow Utah's businesses.

These subsidized trainings enhance the skills of employees to keep companies competitive in a constantly evolving industry.

In 2023, the OTECH Custom Fit team broke records as they helped local businesses cover and receive customized trainings.



156

COMPANIES ASSISTED BY
CUSTOM FIT
(+13.9% FROM FY22)

\$1.2
million

IN DIRECT TRAINING
COSTS

278

STUDENTS SPONSORED
BY CUSTOM FIT FOR
OTECH PROGRAMS

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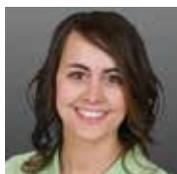
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72%

COMPLETION RATE

100%

LICENSURE RATE

98%

PLACEMENT RATE



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