Great Bay’s Technical Studies is a 60 credit program that provides pathways for skilled workers to earn an Associate Degree by offering credit for recognized technical experience, certifications and training. The program allows students to build on previous success in areas of technical expertise through the choice of electives that complement the technical specialties. The Technical Studies degree is designed as an individualized program of study in an area not otherwise offered at the College.

Students coming from recognized apprenticeship programs or students with certifications in a technical field (in an area that we do not offer an Associate Degree) may receive credits toward an Associate’s degree in Technical Studies.

Admissions Criteria:

1. Complete application to the program
2. Provide official HS transcript or equivalent (GED/HiSet scores) and prior college, if applicable and seeking transfer credit
3. Approval from the Vice President of Academic Affairs, Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs or Advanced Manufacturing Program Director.

Technical Specialty* (20-24 credits)
Technical Elective** (12-16 credits)
Open Elective1* (3 credits)

General Education Courses:

ENGL 110G - English Composition I
Math Elective (4 credits)
Foreign Language/Humanities/Fine Arts Elective (3 credits)
Lab Science Elective (4 credits)
Liberal Arts Elective2* (3 credits)
Social Science Elective (3 credits)

*Credit is awarded for demonstrated knowledge through Prior Learning Assessment, completed industry training/certification; US Department of Labor Apprenticeships; CCSNH Certificate programs which are not in an area that the college offers an Associate Degree, documented certification exams. All training/certification materials must show hours of training, document type of training received and have grades (or other form of assessment).

1*Minimum of 12 credits of GBCC coursework related to the individual technical specialty/career path. Course selections must follow program and course prerequisites.
2*Students can choose from: American Studies, Art, English, Geography, History, Humanities, Languages, Math, Natural Resources, Social Sciences and Sciences to fulfill elective.

Courses are subject to change. Please refer to Catalog for suggested pathway.