CareerConnect is a Third Party Cooperative Agreement (TPCA) that is designed to serve the mutual clients of the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation (DETR), Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation & Bureau of Services to the Blind and Visually Impaired (jointly called DETR-VR), and the students who are receiving services through Western Nevada College (WNC).

This program provides comprehensive career counseling services to students with disabilities who have the goal of obtaining and maintaining employment.

To be eligible for CareerConnect services, you must be a current client of Nevada Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Services.

Contact your local office for more information:
Carson City VR: (775) 684-0400
Fallon VR: (775) 423-6568
Reno VR: (775) 823-8100

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Title IX Coordinator: (775) 445-4231, Western Nevada College, 2201 West College Parkway, Carson City, NV 89703.
For further information on notice of non-discrimination, visit http://wdcrrobolp01.ed.gov/CFAPPS/OCR/contactus.cfm for the address and phone number of the office that serves your area, or call 1-800-421-3481. (Rev. 09/16)
CareerConnect can help you if......

- you’re seeking employment
- you’re a WNC student interested in working
- you’re a client of Nevada Vocational Rehabilitation
- you have a disability

by providing assistance with

- career exploration
- vocational counseling & guidance
- employment preparation
- vocational training support
- worksite monitoring
- accommodations and more...

ACCOMMODATIONS
CareerConnect and Disability Support Services have highly trained staff that are knowledgeable about available accommodations in the classroom and the workplace. Before and after the student is employed, CareerConnect staff can advocate for the student to receive the necessary accommodations to be successful.

CAREER EXPLORATION
For students who may not know the employment goal they would like to pursue, various resources and assessment tools are available that can be explored with CareerConnect staff.

EMPLOYMENT PREPARATION
We provide students with the necessary tools to become successful in their job search. Tools include creation of a master job application, resume writing, cover letter development, job search skills, online resources, job leads, interview practice, disability rights in the workplace, goal setting, networking, employer outreach, etc.

VOCATIONAL COUNSELING & GUIDANCE
We are knowledgeable about the local labor market, CareerConnect staff can assist students with their employment goals to explore and evaluate education, work history, interests, skills, and personality to assist in finding the best employment fit for each student. Through vocational counseling and guidance, the goal is to develop marketable skills to obtain employment.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING SUPPORT
Students who are pursuing their training/education at WNC are highly encouraged to combine education and work experience. The CareerConnect staff assist students in securing unpaid or paid work experiences related to their training, to increase marketability upon graduation.

WORKSITE MONITORING
CareerConnect staff monitor student progress once they have become employed. Retaining the job is often the most challenging part, so the CareerConnect staff also teach job retention strategies and remain to be available to assist students after they have been hired.