If you’re ready to get your degree to take the next step in your career, Competency Based Education is the choice for you. Our revolutionary approach to education lets self-motivated learners earn a degree at their own pace for one price.

DESIGNED FOR YOU

You’re busy and we know that. That’s why with CBE you’re in charge. We’re 100% online so you don’t have to rush to campus to make a lecture. Your classroom is wherever you make it. Materials for classes are always available and professors meet with you when you want. And it’s all at your pace.

AND AFFORDABLE, TOO

A college education can be expensive. But with CBE it doesn’t have to be. Our program has just one annual price and you can pack in as many or as few classes as you want during the calendar year. That means you could save thousands along the way and end with a great degree from Nichols College.

BUT WHAT DOES IT DO?

Getting a bachelor’s degree through CBE not only saves you money — it can make money, too. On average, bachelor’s degree holders earn over $20,000 more annually than those without one.¹

With the CBE program, I was able to get six classes done in two seven-week sessions and it didn’t feel overwhelming at any point. Seeing myself complete a degree in a year and a half is a lot more manageable.

Stephen Escott

ARE THERE ANY HIDDEN COSTS WITH CBE?
The annual subscription is all that you pay and there are no hidden costs. All content is open-source and there are no textbook requirements. Discounts are also available for certain partnerships with the College.

IS FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE?
Financial aid is available and we have staff members who can answer many questions about it. We also offer payment plans as an alternative to financial aid.

HOW MANY CLASSES CAN I TAKE AT ONCE
You can take up to two classes at a time in each 7-week session, but exceptions can be made on a case-by-case basis. Once you finish a class you can start another one within that same session.

WHAT IF CBE DOESN’T HAVE A CLASS I NEED?
You can take up to five classes in our traditional undergraduate evening program and this is covered with your annual subscription.

HOW MANY CREDITS WILL I NEED TO EARN MY BACHELOR’S?
You must complete 120 credits to earn your bachelor’s degree. It’s recommended you transfer a minimum of 24 credits from another institution to enroll, but you are eligible to bring as many as 90 credits. If you do not have at least 24 credits, we will help.

WHAT IF I HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS ABOUT CBE?
Each student is provided a Student Success Coach to help guide them through our programs. Whether you have questions about financial aid, classes, or about the college, they can answer them.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
• Completed application
• Current resume
• College transcripts
• Personal statement about why CBE is right for you
• Interview with CBE counselor

ANNUAL FEE
$6,000
No hidden costs
No additional fees
No textbooks

Meet your Student Success Coach today!

I’m going to get my bachelor’s done in one year, because I can get it done on my own time, on my own schedule. I work two jobs and I’m a mom, so CBE allows me to take the courses when I have time, but I also have support in the background when I needed it. I’ve never felt like I was alone going through this process.

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