



Highline Forum,
Highline College, Building 2
Wednesday July 22, 2026



Mission Statement

As a South King County college striving for social justice, Highline College partners with global students as they envision, plan and achieve their educational and professional goals.

Adopted October 2022.

Vision

Highline College creates anti-racist, equitable pathways in higher education to close opportunity gaps experienced by our students. We support employees to foster the conditions for student and workplace equity. We accept people as they are and honor the life experience they bring. We are cultivating a collaborative learning community that centers the well-being of the whole person and provides a sense of belonging. We highly regard the families and support systems that enable our success and acknowledge that by working together we are limitless.

Values

Highline College seeks to live out these values in everyday practice:

- Accessibility
- Accountability
- Cultural Responsiveness and Agency
- Environmental Sustainability
- Equity-First Focus
- Life-Long Learning
- Partnership with local and global communities
- Respect
- Social Justice
- Student-Centered Approaches
- Transparency





CENTER FOR
**GLOBAL
BUSINESS
EDUCATION**



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GOALS



REALITY



OPTIONS



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Businesses Served

Highline College Business Development Center	Clients Meetings	Unique Clients	Hours of Service	Loans &Capital Investment
SBDC & StartZone 2025	2,240	413	3,490	\$10,451,857
SBDC & StartZone 2026 YTD	1,072	307	1,679	\$3,224,977



- Support of BAS Pathways — Awareness, Experience & Access
- Industry Partnerships — Program Quality & Student Opportunity
- Global Programming

Students Participated in Short Term Study Abroad Trips To Vietnam (Supply Chain) and Indonesia (Hospitality)





Washington State
Global Trade and
Supply Chain
Management
179,000 jobs

Bigger Than Taylor Swift

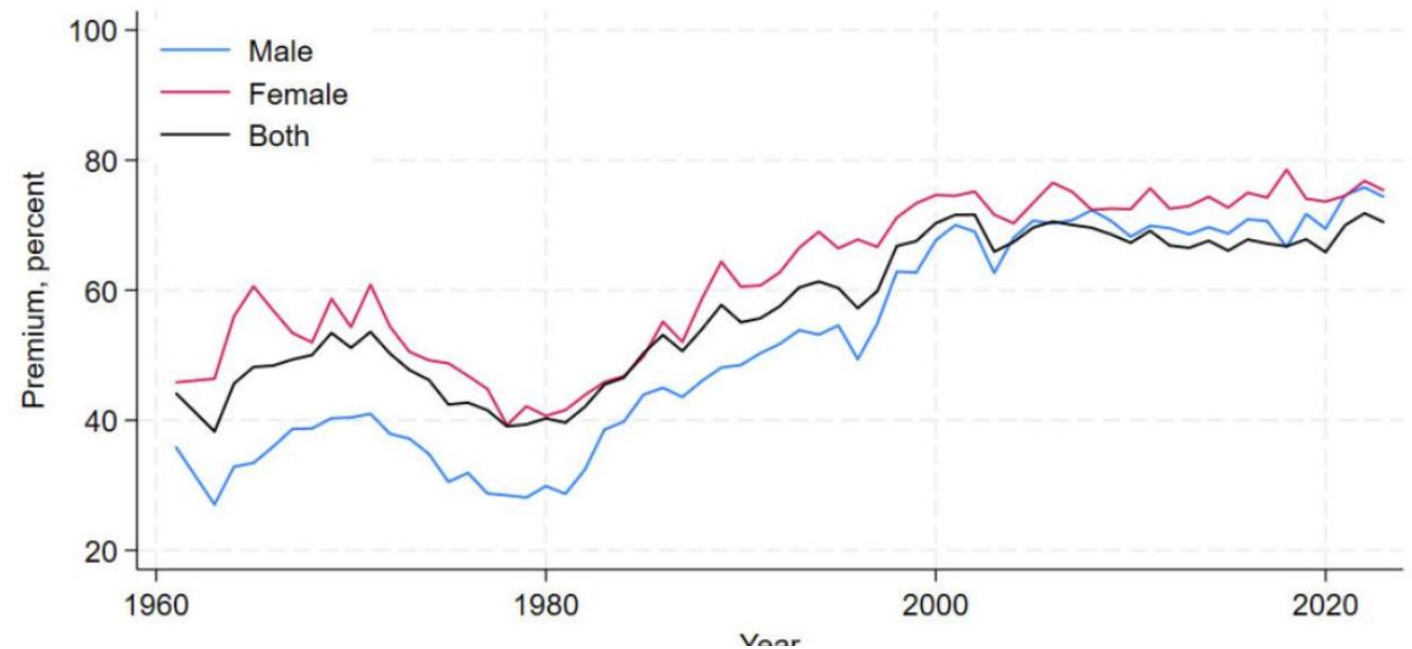
AI is not destroying jobs

The age 20-24 unemployment rate is now ~unchanged since the AI boom began: x.com/tylermacro10/s...



College age premium remains near historic high

Figure 2: Regression-estimated college wage premium, overall and by gender



2025 Community Partners Survey Now Open!

