## DRAFTING TECHNOLOGY Program Outlook



Employment of drafters is projected to grow 7 percent from 2016 to 2026, about as fast as the average for all occupations. Increased construction activity is projected to drive demand for drafters, but this is expected to be tempered as engineers and architects increasingly perform some tasks previously done by drafters. Drafters typically complete education after high school, often through a program at a community college or technical school. Some programs lead to an associate of applied science in drafting or a related degree. Others result in a certificate or diploma.

| Employment Information |  |                    |          |  |
|------------------------|--|--------------------|----------|--|
|                        | Greater Kansas City Area (15 counties in KC Metropolitan Statistical Area) | State of<br>Kansas | National |  |
| 2019                   | 1,938  | 1,896              | 188,682  |  |
| 2024 Projected         | 2,024  | 1,927              | 197,696  |  |
| % Change               | 4.4%   | 1.6%               | 4.8%     |  |

| Salary Information (Median Wage) |  |                    |          |  |
|----------------------------------|--|--------------------|----------|--|
|                                  | Greater Kansas City Area (15 counties in KC Metropolitan Statistical area) | State of<br>Kansas | National |  |
| 2019                             | \$24.13  | \$23.19            | \$26.86  |  |

| JCCC Completer Information (2017-2018 Academic Year) |             |  |
|--|-------------|--|
| % Employed in Related                                | Median Wage |  |
| Field  |             |  |
| 100%   | \$21.75     |  |

The JCCC Office of Institutional Research conducts a follow-up study of program completers one year after completion.