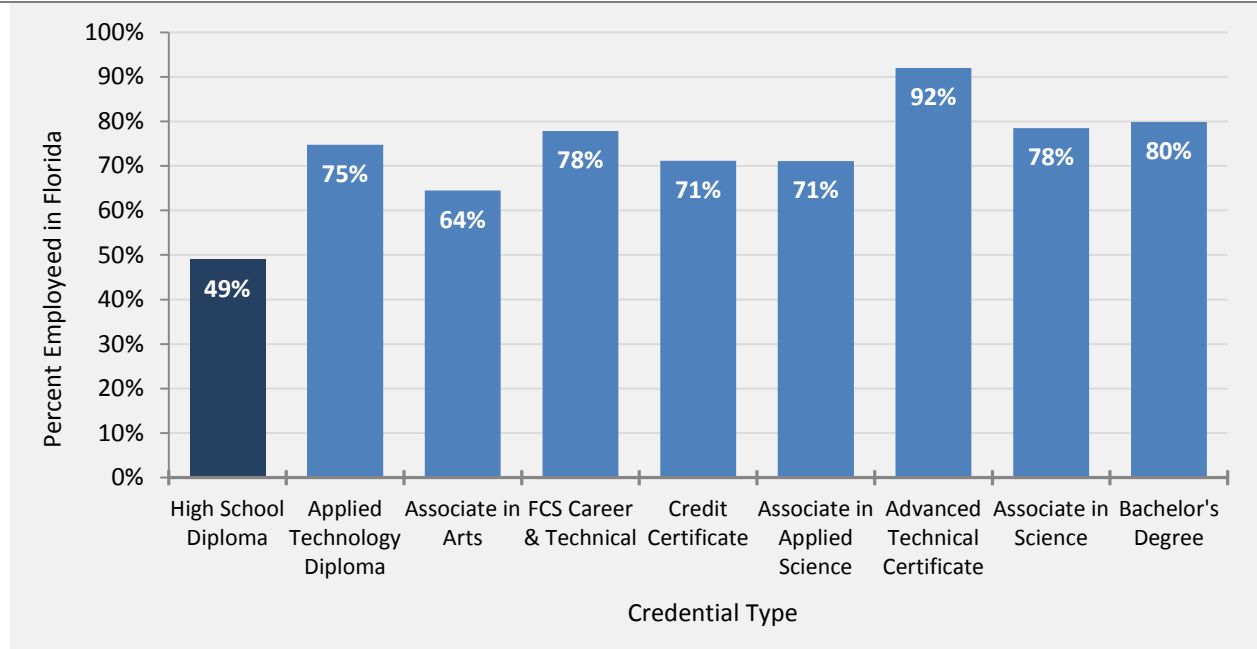


## A College Education Leads to Employment

*An FCS credential increases likelihood of employment.*



Source: Florida Education & Training Placement Information Program (2016).



Academic programs in the Florida College System (FCS) are developed and updated based on the workforce demand of college service areas. In 2014, 70 percent of recent FCS graduates were employed the year after graduation. This compares to an employment rate of only 49 percent for recent graduates with a High School Diploma.

The FCS degrees with the highest program employment rates include Advanced Technical Certificates (92 percent), Bachelor's Degrees (80 percent), Associates in Science (78 percent), FCS Career & Technical (78 percent), Applied Technology Diplomas (75 percent), Associate in Applied Sciences (71 percent), and Credit Certificates (71 percent).

Because the Associate in Arts degree is utilized as a transfer credential to a Bachelor's degree in the FCS or the State University System (SUS) via Florida's "2+2" articulation system, recent graduates are less likely to be employed (64 percent) than the other FCS degree programs. However, a majority of Associate in Arts graduates are found continuing their education the year after earning their degree.

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