Taylor Ledbetter, Associate in Applied Science degree, Accounting

Before Taylor Ledbetter began his career at the State Employees’ Credit Union, he earned his Associate in Applied Science degree in accounting from CCC. Now that he has also just completed his Bachelor’s degree in Business Administration from Liberty University, Ledbetter says that looking back he is so thankful that he decided to attend CCC after having been accepted at a private university that would have left him in a mound of debt. “I made a last minute decision to earn my first two years at CCC just before the fall semester was about to start. It was a decision that saved me tens of thousands of dollars and since I was paying for my education, it is one of the best decisions I have ever made for my future,” he says.

Once Ledbetter became a student he soon realized that he qualified to participate in the TRiO-Student Support Services program. Ledbetter says the program allowed him to meet advisor Betty Z. Taylor who encouraged him to put all of his doubts in a bag and put them on the shelf. “Betty Z told me I would graduate, I would transfer, and I would be successful,” he adds. “Having that kind of support system at CCC helped make my transfer transition less frightening.” As a TRiO student he was also given the Myers Briggs Type Indicator Assessment which helped him identify his personality type is and what types of jobs might be most favorable for him.

Ledbetter also qualified for a work study position in the Business Office and says many of his coworkers encouraged him to stay the course and offered advice on professionalism in the workplace. “All that I received from CCC has been invaluable to me. The degree, the experience, and the encouragement have all been a part to get me to where I am today,” he adds.