Vermont Registered Apprenticeship Program

WHAT IS APPRENTICESHIP?

Apprenticeship is a training program that combines classroom training with on-the-job training. It requires an employer "sponsor" who is willing to provide the on-the-job training. In addition, an employer helps pay for part of the required instruction. Generally, apprentices complete over 140 hours of classroom training per year. Depending upon the occupation, apprenticeship lasts for 1-6 years.

Vermont has apprenticeships in over 30 occupations. The following is a partial list of the occupations in which there are apprentices:

- Plumber
- Electrician
- Child Care Development Specialist
- Line Maintainer (Utilities)
- Machinist
- Carpenter
- Sheet-Metal Worker
- Tramway Maintenance Technician (Ski Lift)

HOW DO I BECOME AN APPRENTICE?

In order to be an apprentice, you must first have an employer who is willing to sponsor you. You can find employers who may be interested in a variety of ways, including using the Vermont Department of Labor Resource Centers located at the following sites:

Barre	802-476-2600
Bennington	802-442-6376
Burlington	802-863-7676
Rutland	802-786-5837
St. Johnsbury	802-748-3177
Springfield	802-885-2167

You can also apply directly to employers who employ the types of workers in the occupation in which you are interested. For example, if you would like to be a plumbing apprentice, you could apply for work with any of the local plumbing contractors. If you were interested in becoming a child care development specialist, you could check with any of the local day care centers.

What if I Find An Employer Who Would Like To Take Me On As An Apprentice?

You should have your employer call the Vermont State Apprenticeship Program at 802-828-5082.

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