

# Apprenticeships, GAP Year, Military, Private Career Schools: Where to now?



# What do you want to do?

- ▶ Career Cruising is a great resource for discovering what it is you really want to do. The site is designed to be a one-stop-shop for college and career planning.

# Post High School Options:

- Apprenticeship Training Programs
- GAP Year/Service Learning
- Military ~ Enlistment, ROTC, Military University
- Private Career Programs
- Direct to Work



# Apprenticeships

~ Earn Money While you Learn ~

## Apprentices learn on the job

- building up knowledge and skills
- gaining qualifications
- earning money all at the same time

## Apprenticeship programs provides

- structured, supervised on-the-job training
- training is supplemented by related classroom instruction by an educational institution

# Apprenticeships



Listed below are a few Apprenticeship professions::

- **Agriculture, horticulture and related industries**
- **Automotive**
- **Building and Construction**
- **Business services**
- **Electrician**
- **Finance services**
- **Food**
- **Hairdressing**
- **Community services & health**
- **Information technology**
- **Light manufacturing**
- **Local government**
- **Metals and Engineering**
- **Printing**
- **Process manufacturing**
- **Property services**
- **Public services**
- **Retail**
- **Seafood**
- **Sport and recreation**
- **Telecommunications**
- **Tourism**
- **Transport and distribution**
- **Utilities and energy**

# Basic Requirements to Washington State Apprenticeship Programs

## Requirements:

- ✓ 18 years old
- ✓ High School diploma or GED
- ✓ Aptitude test
- ✓ Physical ability - good physical condition
- ✓ Drug/alcohol free
- ✓ Valid Washington State Drivers License & reliable transportation



Department of Labor & Industry Apprenticeship  
website:

<http://www.lni.wa.gov/TradesLicensing/Apprenticeship/default.asp>



# GAP Year/Service Learning

Maybe you need to take some time to think about what your future holds and how you want to invest your time and money in a specific education or training program or desire to travel and experience the world.





# GAP Year



- ▶ Opportunity to travel, volunteer, work abroad
- ▶ Start post high school training or college more mature, focused and attuned to your goals
- ▶ Increasingly popular choice
- ▶ AGA (American Gap Association)
  - ▶ Non-profit accreditation and standards-setting organization for Gap Years
- ▶ Global Citizen Year
  - ▶ International immersion program
    - ▶ Live with a family, have a local job, language immersion
- ▶ GAP Year Fairs in United States - Seattle Feb 16, 2017

# Service Learning

Below are organizations that offer great training opportunities and real-life experiences that many times will lead a young person into their lifetime work with a clear direction and confidence.

[AFS Intercultural Programs USA](#)

[AmeriCorps](#)

[AmeriCorps Vista](#)

[Habitat for Humanity](#)

[Peace Corps](#)

[Rotary International](#)

[YFU USA](#)



# AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps is a national service program that allows people of all ages to earn money for college in return for a year of community service.

Projects include:

- ✓ tutor and mentor youth
- ✓ build affordable housing
- ✓ teach computer skills
- ✓ clean parks and streams
- ✓ help communities respond to disasters
- ✓ run after-school programs

**Benefits include:** Education award of up to \$5,815 for a year of full time service, a living allowance, health care benefits, and child care.

**Eligibility:** Must be 17 years old, US Citizen, high school diploma or equivalent.



# Military

Air Force ~ Army ~ Navy ~ Marines  
Coast Guard ~ National Guard



**Enlistment:** You sign up with the branch of the military you want and enter the service right away. You start with “boot camp” and then they typically train you for a specific job.

**ROTC (Reserve Officers’ Training Corps):** You join the military and are allowed to attend a 4-year university. You have the college experience with limited military commitment. After graduation from college, there is a 4-year commitment to the military. Graduates enter active service as an officer which has better benefits and pay, not to mention a college degree the military paid for.

**Military University:** Elite military universities that are very competitive to get into. It varies from ROTC in that you live a military life-style while attending college.

# Types of Military Service

- ▶ **Active Duty** - serve full time
  - ▶ Can pursue a college or advanced degree as well as off-duty activities while you serve
- ▶ **Reserve** - minimum one weekend a month military drill plus two weeks a year active duty (can be called to Active Duty to support mission needs)
  - ▶ Typically balance school or full-time civilian careers while serving. Combines civilian experience with military skills
- ▶ **National Guard** - minimum one weekend a month military drill plus two weeks a year active duty
  - ▶ Community-based and report to the Governor of the state you live in unless called to protect U.S. domestic interests in times of conflict or natural disaster
  - ▶ May also be deployed internationally alongside full-time service members when necessary
  - ▶ Hold civilian jobs or attend school while conducting military training part time

# Military

Air Force ~ Army ~ Navy ~ Marines ~ Coast Guard ~ National Guard

(Go online to [www.military.com](http://www.military.com) to learn about different programs)

- ✓ Meet the recruiter (check with Ms. Kristjanson)
- ✓ Take the ASVAB
- ✓ Get the best job after reading all the job descriptions
- ✓ Swear in
- ✓ Boot camp
- ✓ You are in!



Don't sign anything until you are  
100% committed!

# Private Career Schools:

## Workforce Training & Education

## Coordinating Board

- ▶ Licenses and regulates around 325 private career schools in Washington
- ▶ Help students look for a licensed schools based on their interests
- ▶ Reviews 6,000 Washington programs
- ▶ Maintains lists of licensed, private career schools
- ▶ Links to federal aid
- ▶ Links to career resources to help you plan

# Career Planning Resources

- ▶ Washington Career Bridge
  - ▶ Explore careers
  - ▶ View job trends
  - ▶ Find education
  - ▶ Publish 'Where Are You Going' guide





# Samples of Private Career Schools

- Aviation
- Computing
- Film
- NASCAR
- Massage
- Professional Gaming
- Truck Driving
- Pilates
- Culinary
- Helicopter
- Dental
- Bartending
- Beauty School
- Art School
- Floral Design
- Welding
- Fashion
- Yoga



# Work after High School Graduation

Wages (starting at minimum wage and based on 40 hours/week, 160 hours/month):

**\$10.00/hr \$400/week -- \$ 1,600/month**

\$17.00/hr \$680/week -- \$ 2,720/month

\$25.00/hr \$1,000/week - \$ 4,000 month

\$45.00/hr \$1,800/week - \$ 7,200 month

\$125.00/hr \$5,000/wk -- \$ 20,000 month

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NOTE:

Taxes will be taken out of the gross pay.



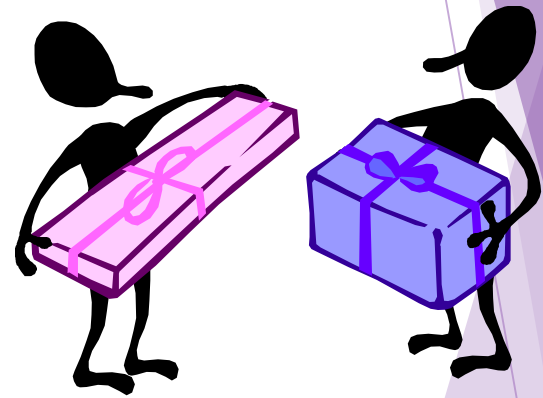
# Work after High School Graduation

Working directly after high school is always an option. If you plan on living on your own, here's an idea of what you will need to live on:

## Monthly Expenses:

Federal Taxes (15%)	\$ 240
Rent	\$ 700
Food	\$ 300
Utilities	\$ 55
Water, Sewer, Garbage	\$ 45
Cell	\$ 70
Car Insurance	\$ 200
Gas	\$ 150
Car Payment	(Gift from Mom & Dad)
Gifts - Birthday, Holiday	(Homemade)
Pets/Vet	
Medical Expenses	(Under parents coverage)
Dental Expenses	(No coverage)
Internet Service	\$ 65

**Total Expenses: \$1,825**



# Lake Washington High School Counseling Staff

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