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All About Apprenticeships

Would you like to earn money and learn at the same time? Then check out ***apprenticeships***! They're a combination of hands-on training and academic classes. Apprenticeships prepare you for what are often high-demand, high-skilled careers.

Apprenticeships

Employers (such as Boeing), ***trade unions*** (for careers like electricians or roofers,) and independent programs offer apprenticehips. Programs last 2-5 years and lead to high-demand jobs. Plus, you can earn ***certifications***, licenses, or even college ***degrees***.

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What jobs can I get as an apprentice?

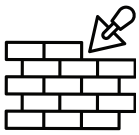
Apprenticeships are available in a variety of industries, such as aerospace, advanced manufacturing, construction, energy and marine technology.

Career-specific certification and preparation

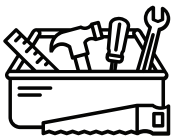
Focus on developing particular skills and knowledge for specific careers, such as:



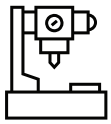
Automotive/Aircraft Mechanic



Bricklayer



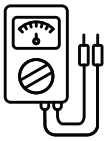
Carpenter



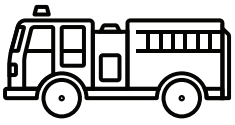
CNC Programmer



Cosmetologist



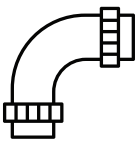
Electrician



Fire Fighter



Medical Assistant



Plumber



Truck Driver



Welder

How much will I get paid?

Earn while you learn - as you progress, the pay increases. After you graduate, you become a skilled professional with a credential that opens doors nationwide.



Starting apprentice	minimum $18/hr + ***benefits*** (e.g. medical, dental and vision)	For example, Seattle City Light apprentices earn at least $30/hr to start.
Journey-level worker (apprenticeship graduate)	minimum $30/hr + benefits (e.g. medical, dental, vision and retirement)	For example, King County plumbers and pipe fitters earn around $89/hr while cement masons in Yakima earn $45/hr.

Good to Know

How do I become an apprentice? Make sure you meet the requirements! Generally, these include:

- High school ***diploma***
- Specified abilities (may require math)
- Valid driver's license and reliable transportation
- Find a program and apply.

Each program has unique procedures for applying. To learn more about the process, talk to your high school counselor or visit **lni.wa.gov/licensing-permits/apprenticeship/become-an-apprentice**[1]

Source: 1. Information adapted from: Washington State Department of Labor and Industries. (2012). Become an Apprentice.

