

ABC
Associated Builders and Contractors
Apprenticeship

Build Your Apprenticeship

EARN while you learn.

WHAT IS APPRENTICESHIP?

Apprenticeship is post-secondary education, like a college or university, except there is one big difference. Apprentices not only learn skills in a classroom, most of their education is on-the-job with an employer who trains in the full scope of the trade.

From day one, apprentices are PAID both on-the-job and while attending class. As an apprentice progresses in the program, the apprentice receives pay raises. In addition, there is limited or little student debt.

Upon completion, apprentices receive nationally-recognized completion certificates. In addition, apprentices can earn up to 39 credits toward an associate degree.

WHY CONSTRUCTION?

- Construction is a high-tech, creative, innovative, and hands-on industry that is a part of everything in society.
- Since the construction industry encompasses many different careers, there is a lot of room for advancement and great wages.
- Those who work in construction have a sense of pride that makes it one of the most satisfying careers.
- Careers in construction cannot be outsourced.
- We have a skilled construction worker shortage, which means construction is one of the most in-demand fields in the country.

WHO IS ABC OF WISCONSIN?

We're a multi-trade association of more than 900 construction contractors, associates and suppliers. Our apprenticeship program has 2,000 apprentices in 11 different trades at 11 different Wisconsin technical colleges. We've been around for more than 35 years, and we believe in rewarding workers based on ther merit, talent and performance.

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APPRENTICESHIP TRADES

The ABC of Wisconsin Apprenticeship Advisory Committee operates 11 different trade programs recognized by the State of Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development's Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards.

CARPENTRY



WHAT YOU'LL DO: Construct, repair and remodel all aspects of commercial construction, from concrete forms and building framework, to exterior and interior finishing.

Apprenticeship Length:	Average Skilled Wage Rate:
4 years	**$28.45 / hr.**

CONCRETE FINISHING



WHAT YOU'LL DO: Pour and finish concrete surfaces for highways, parking ramps, and commercial and industrial structures.

Apprenticeship Length:	Average Skilled Wage Rate:
3 years	**$28.98 / hr.**

ELECTRICAL



WHAT YOU'LL DO: Design, install, maintain and troubleshoot electrical components and wiring for a variety of systems, from overall power systems and lighting to systems that operate machinery.

Apprenticeship Length:	Average Skilled Wage Rate:
5 years	**$34.50 / hr.**

HEAT & FROST INSULATING



WHAT YOU'LL DO: Assemble and repair insulation on industrial equipment, pipes, ductwork and other mechanical systems.

Apprenticeship Length:	Average Skilled Wage Rate:
4 years	**$30.07 / hr.**

HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATING



WHAT YOU'LL DO: Operate heavy machinery (such as cranes, bulldozers, excavators and backhoes) used in the construction of roads, bridges and site preparation.

Apprenticeship Length:	Average Skilled Wage Rate:
3 years	**$33.89 / hr.**

HVAC



WHAT YOU'LL DO: Install, maintain and repair heating, ventilating and air-conditioning systems in both residential and commercial locations.

Apprenticeship Length:	Average Skilled Wage Rate:
5 years	**$30.57 / hr.**

PLUMBING



WHAT YOU'LL DO: Design, install and repair piping systems (including those connected to washers, bathtubs, sinks, toilets, and heating and cooling systems) that distribute water and remove waste from buildings.

Apprenticeship Length:	Average Skilled Wage Rate:
5 years	**$36.15 / hr.**

ROOFING



WHAT YOU'LL DO: Install, repair and renovate residential and commercial roofs using tar, asphalt, gravel, rubber, thermoplastic, metal and shingles.

Apprenticeship Length:	Average Skilled Wage Rate:
4 years	**$25.02 / hr.**

SHEET METAL



WHAT YOU'LL DO: Cut and mold sheets of metal into components for installing heating, ventilation and air distribution systems.

Apprenticeship Length:	Average Skilled Wage Rate:
5 years	**$33.95 / hr.**

SPRINKLER FITTING



WHAT YOU'LL DO: Design, install, repair, maintain and inspect various types of fire protection systems by working with a variety of pipe and tubing materials, as well as the use of electricity and chemical compounds.

Apprenticeship Length:	Average Skilled Wage Rate:
4 years	**$36.15 / hr.**

STEAM FITTING



WHAT YOU'LL DO: Install, service and repair pipes and equipment that withstand high pressure for distribution of steam, chemicals, compressed air, fuel or other types of pressure producers in both commercial and industrial projects.

Apprenticeship Length:	Average Skilled Wage Rate:
5 years	**$36.15 / hr.**

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