



## Registered Apprenticeship Programs

### What are Registered Apprenticeship programs?

Registered Apprenticeship programs offer a combination of paid on-the-job training, related technical instruction and mentoring for skilled occupations. Graduates receive a nationally recognized certificate and the education and training they need to build and advance their careers. Employers get qualified, motivated applicants and a low-cost way to develop a workforce with the skills needed to be successful. The programs emphasize learning by doing, and they are thriving. More than 11,000 Registered Apprentices are working in Ohio, in 179 occupations.

### How do Registered Apprenticeship programs work?

Each Registered Apprenticeship program is run by a sponsor: usually an employer, a group of employers or a labor/management committee. The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services oversees the Ohio State Apprenticeship Council, which registers programs that meet national criteria for quality and safety.

Each Registered Apprenticeship program operates according to standards that the sponsor develops. Each apprentice learns skills needed for a job in the sponsor's industry through 2,000 hours of on-the-job training and a yearly minimum of 144 hours of related technical instruction, typically at a local college or university. Apprentices work under the supervision of a skilled professional, also known as a journey worker, and attend classes that involve discussion, reading and written work. They learn industry-accepted ways to perform jobs effectively and safely.

### What occupations can apprentices be trained in?

Registered Apprenticeship programs provide training in a wide range of industries, including health care, manufacturing, information technology, social services, telecommunications, energy and more.

### How can I find Registered Apprenticeship opportunities?

Choose an occupation that you would like to build a career in. Then visit your nearest OhioMeansJobs Center or go to <http://jfs.ohio.gov/apprenticeship>. If you visit the website, under "For Potential Apprentices," click on "Finding a Registered Apprenticeship Program" or "View Current Opportunities." Contact the listed sponsor for more information or to apply.

If your area does not have a program that interests you, you can find a potential employer who may be interested in starting a program and ask the employer to contact the Ohio State Apprenticeship Council at (614) 644-0370.

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