



APPRENTICESHIP ILLINOIS APPRENTICE WORKGROUP



APPRENTICE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM Call For Applications



WHAT IS THE IWIB AND THE APPRENTICESHIP ILLINOIS COMMITTEE?

Governor-appointed Illinois Workforce Innovation Board (IWIB)

- Includes leaders from state, business, industry, labor, education, and community-based organizations with the goal of evaluating and meeting the workforce needs of Illinois' employers and workers.

Established **Apprenticeship Committee** in 2016 - apprenticeship is a work-based learning model, providing a workforce solution for employers and a career pathway strategy for individuals.

LEADERSHIP TEAM



Daniel Serota, Chair,
Apprenticeship Illinois Committee



Sheryl Morris, Lead
Apprenticeship Workgroup



Laz Lopez, Ed.D., Lead
Youth Workgroup



Tony Fuhrmann, Lead
Marketing Workgroup



Manny Rodriguez, Lead
Pre-Apprenticeship Workgroup



APPRENTICESHIP ILLINOIS COMMITTEE

The Apprenticeship Illinois Committee has four workgroups:

1. Marketing WG
2. Pre-Apprenticeship WG
3. Youth WG
4. **The newly created Apprentice WG**

The Apprentice Workgroup will:

- (1) Promote the value and benefits of apprenticeship across the state to employers, potential apprentices, elected officials, and more, and
- (2) Advise the Apprenticeship Illinois Committee from the apprentice perspective.

APPRENTICE AMBASSADOR RESPONSIBILITIES



- Share their perspectives on Apprenticeship programs and their program experiences.
- Work closely with the leader of the IWIB Apprenticeship Committee's Apprentice Workgroup.
- Maintain professionalism, open communication, and transparency with their Apprenticeship employer with respect to their participation in this Initiative.
- Commit for a one-year term, with the term beginning January 2024 and ending December 2024.

APPRENTICE AMBASSADOR RESPONSIBILITIES



- Attend a kickoff event, in-person, in January/February 2024 either in Springfield or Chicago.
- Attend up to three in-person meetings either in Chicago or Springfield. The kickoff event will be the first.
- Attend quarterly virtual meetings with the IWIB Apprenticeship Committee.
- Attend up to three virtual meetings for professional development.
- Complete at least one outreach activity in their region.

THE PROCESS

Apprentice Ambassadors will be chosen based on an application process.

- ***Both*** the apprentice and employer must complete forms.
 - The employer commitment form is [here](#).
 - The apprentice application is [here](#).
- Applications are due **October 20, 2023**.
- Selected apprentices notified the week of November 6, 2023 .
- Apprentices and Employers announced publicly at a live in-person event on the first day of National Apprenticeship Week (Nov 13th).

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS



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