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Apprenticeship in Illinois



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ICC Information
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Program Seeks
Applicants

ComEd Announces
681 Residents
Completed Clean
Energy Job Training
in 2021



Apprenticeship Illinois Named
Apprenticeship Ambassador by US
Department of Labor

The Illinois Workforce Innovation Board's Apprenticeship Illinois Committee was named 1 of 207 apprenticeship ambassadors across the country!

We are humbled and honored to receive this recognition and will continue lifting up apprenticeship across the state.

[Check out the US Department of Labor's Announcement here!](#)

As Employers Rightsize Job
Requirements, Apprenticeships Are
Replacing College Degrees

Check out this article on Forbes about Aon and their approach to changing the workforce system with Apprenticeship.

[Click here!](#)



Apprenticeship Across the Country



[US Departments of Labor and Commerce Announce 120 Day Cybersecurity Apprentice Sprint](#)



[Apprenticeship Program Launches at Red Bluff Fire Department](#)



[North Carolina Apprenticeship Programs Get a \\$4 Million Boost](#)



[North East Community Action Corps in Missouri Draws National Recognition for Job Training Apprenticeship Program](#)



[Montana Adds 500+ Apprentices in the](#)



[BBB Partners with Apprenticeship TN to](#)

[First Half of 2022](#)

[Raise Awareness of Apprenticeship Opportunities for Middle TN Businesses](#)

[Business Roundtable Launches New 'Apprenticeship Accelerator' Corporate Initiative](#)

[Labor and Industry Highlights Pittsburgh Pre-Apprenticeship Program Preparing Pennsylvanians for Careers in Video Game Development](#)



[Northwest Michigan Works! to Host Apprenticeship Lunch and Learn for Businesses](#)



[Apprenticeship Program Trains, Supports Urban Farmers](#)

Follow [ApprentiScope](#) for national apprenticeship news.

Have information to share? Email apprenticeship@illinoisworknet.com

SAVE THE DATE: Upcoming Events

[National Apprenticeship Week 2022](#)

[November 14th-20th, 2022](#)

The US Department of Labor has announced the dates for this year's National Apprenticeship Week! Mark your calendars now and keep an eye on these monthly updates for more information closer to the event!

[If your local area is hosting events for National Apprenticeship Week, please](#)

let us know here at Apprenticeship Illinois so we can add the events to our comprehensive calendar and help you spread the word about your events!

Tour GWTP's Shipping and Receiving Training Program

August 17th, 24th, and 31st, 2022, 9:00-11:15am

500 N Sacramento Blvd, Chicago, IL, 60612

Students in Greater West Town's 12-week Shipping & Receiving program learn inventory control, RF scanners, computerized warehouse management, OSHA safety, and fork lifting skills. Entry salaries range from \$15 - \$18 per hour for positions as shipping and receiving clerk, forklift operator, warehouse associate, material handler, order picker, and dock worker.

Visit apprenticeshipillinois.com and view the calendar for more information.

Chicago Women in Trades Program Info Session

August 17th, 24th, and 31st, 2022, 10:30-11:30AM

Online event: Register [here](#).

Chicago Women in Trade (CWIT) holds Information Sessions every Wednesday for the Technical Opportunities Program, Women in Welding Program, and Union Construction Preparation. Attend the session to learn more about their program and how to apply.

Visit apprenticeshipillinois.com and view the calendar for more information.

TechReady Illinois Apprenticeship Info Session

August 19th, 2022, 12:00-1:00PM

Online event: Register [here](#).

TechReady Illinois holds biweekly Information Sessions. Attend to learn more about their Apprenticeship Program.

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Apprenticeship Podcasts

- The Partnership on Inclusive Apprenticeship's [Apprenticeship for All](#) podcast series explores how inclusive apprenticeship programs are increasing employment opportunities for people with disabilities.
- [Professional Apprenticeship's Podcast](#) provides the latest news on apprenticeship, conversations with current apprentices and employers, and more.
- JFF offers a podcast looking at the [challenges and opportunities of youth apprenticeship](#).
- [Apprentice Talks](#) is "a podcast made to educate, inform and give

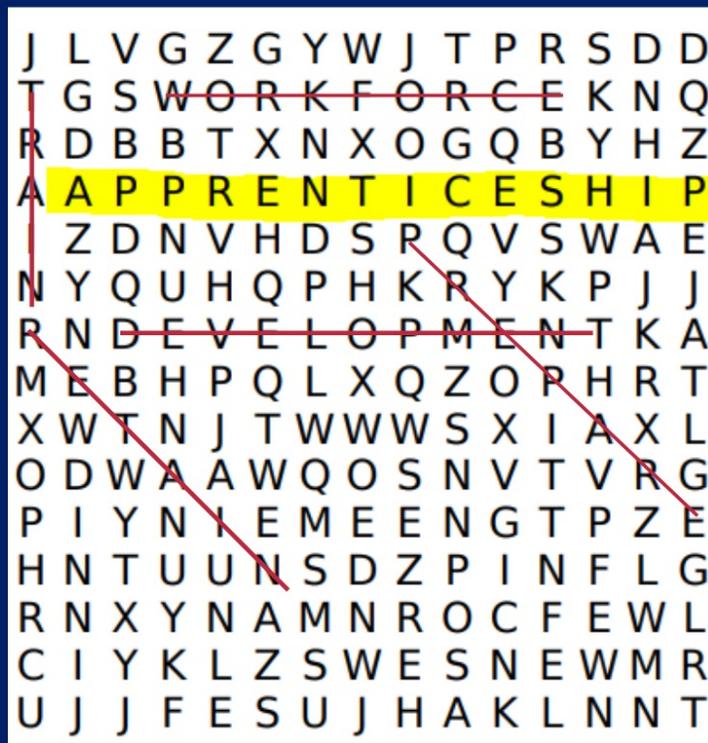
insight into what it's really like to be an apprentice and juggle multiple worlds."

- [The Fresh Apprentice*](#)
- [The HVAC Apprentice*](#)
- [Future is Health*](#) is a Healthcare Youth Apprenticeship Intermediary. Their podcast can help someone understand apprenticeship programs and how students, employers, and stakeholders can benefit from developing careers through apprenticeship
- [Apprentice Worldwide Podcast](#) was created to empower young professionals to succeed in business and life. It will feature ideas, interviews, and career advice.

These podcasts require the creation of a free account

Looking for an Apprenticeship?

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LOOKING FOR APPRENTICESHIP?



Check out the Becoming an Apprentice pages on the [Apprenticeship Illinois](#) website. Find information about the [industries and occupations sponsoring apprenticeships](#). Use the [USDOL apprenticeship finder tool](#) or learn more about [specific Illinois apprenticeship initiatives](#) that are funded by the Illinois Community College Board and the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. Email

Have an apprenticeship opportunity to share? Email apprenticeship@illinoisworknet.com

Apprenticeship Employer Information

Want to learn how to apprenticeship works for businesses? Get in touch with one of the helpful navigators below! For their information and many other resources, visit Employer Information at www.apprenticeshipillinois.com/

Work with an Apprenticeship Navigator

Learn how registered apprenticeships can help you build a skilled workforce that meets your needs. To get started, you can contact an Apprenticeship Navigator in your region. Apprenticeship Navigators are available to answer your questions about registered apprenticeship and assist employers with the program development and registration process at no cost to your business.

Apprenticeship Navigators can help employers:

- Understand the registered apprenticeship training model
- Identify existing models for your occupations of interest
- Connect you with appropriate resources to assist with your program
- Draw up your Standards and Training & Education outline based upon your input
- Submit your registration paperwork to the USDOL for full recognition in the National Registered Apprenticeship System
- Assist you with program updates as your workforce needs evolve
- Coordinate sector partnerships between interested employers

Illinois has 10 Economic Development Regions or EDRs and 22 Local Workforce Innovation Areas. For regions without an Apprenticeship Navigator, contact Kim Kuchebrod at kmkuch1@ilstu.edu.



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Apprenticeship Employer Spotlight



CRUCIAL at MDH

In June 2022, CRUCIAL became the latest business to start a Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP) through Man-Tra-Con, the Apprenticeship IL Navigator and Intermediary for LWIA 25. CRUCIAL recently opened a hangar at Southern Illinois Airport (MDH) in Jackson County, Illinois, and provides aircraft maintenance on large- to medium-size aircraft for 121 to 135 operators. Their first apprentice joined the program in June and

is working with Airframe and Powerplant technicians to learn the proper ways to inspect and repair heavy aircraft.

Wesley Perkins, CRUCIAL's Director of Maintenance at the MDH hangar, explains that the business decided to become a RAP based on the "good workforce support in the area" with the goal of "molding [an apprentice] into an industry professional...[and] building a strong work base for our operation."

CRUCIAL is seeking additional apprentices for its program.



Know of a great apprenticeship program? Let us know about it. Apprenticeship Illinois celebrates a new

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apprenticeship employer every month.

Email your submissions to apprenticeship@illinoisworknet.com

Apprenticeship Education Tax Credit

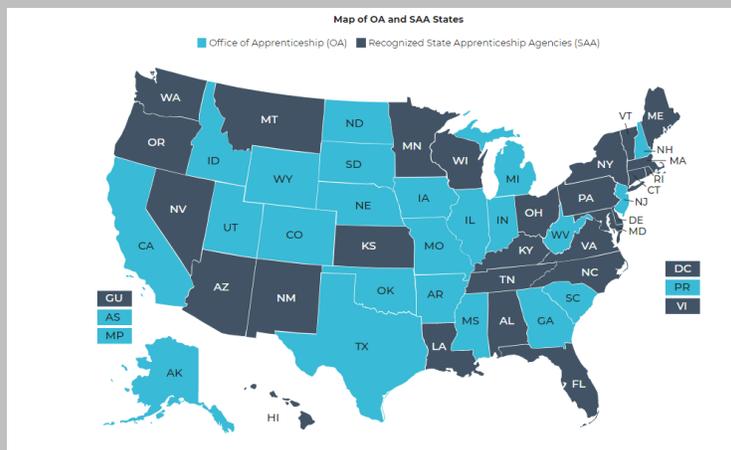
Employers are allowed a tax credit for certain educational expenses associated with qualifying apprentices. Qualified educational expenses include tuition, book fees, and lab fees. The credit is up to \$3,500 per apprentice and an additional \$1,500 if (1) the apprentice resides in an underserved area or (2) the employer's principal place of business is located in an underserved area. The total tax credits may not exceed \$5 million annually.

Want more information about the Apprenticeship Education Tax Credit? [Click here](#) or e-mail: CEO.ApprenticeshipCredit@illinois.gov

USDOL-Illinois Office of Apprenticeship

Did you know that apprenticeships in Illinois are registered by the U.S. Department of Labor's Illinois Office of Apprenticeship?

Illinois is one of twenty-five Office of Apprenticeship (OA) States in which all apprenticeship program registration and oversight is done by federal U.S. Department of Labor staff through state field offices. Find your regional OA Illinois Apprenticeship Training Representative (ATR) [click here](#).



More information and sources for this information can be found by clicking the map. All information used was provided by apprenticeship.gov.

What is the IWIB Apprenticeship Illinois Committee?

The Apprenticeship Illinois Committee is one of 4 content-focused committees of the [Illinois Workforce Innovation Board or IWIB](#) and provides leadership on:

1. Expanding apprenticeships geographically and to new industries.
2. Increasing diversity, equity, and inclusion in apprenticeships.
3. Formalizing apprenticeship coordination across partnering state agencies.
4. Growing statewide capacity to provide apprenticeship opportunities to job seekers and businesses.

The committee has 3 workgroups tasked with different aspects of expanding apprenticeship: the marketing workgroup, the pre-apprenticeship workgroup, and the youth apprenticeship workgroup. See below for a schedule of their upcoming meetings!

Apprenticeship Illinois Committee 2022 Schedule

Quarterly Committee Meetings

- September 15th, 9-11 am
- December 8th, 9-11 am

Marketing Work Group

- September 1st, 2022 2-3:00PM
- October 6th, 2022 2-3:00PM

Pre-Apprenticeship Work Group

- September 29th, 2022 10:00-11:30AM
- December 1st, 2022 10:00-11:30AM

Youth Apprenticeship Work Group

The Youth Apprenticeship Work Group is currently in recess until Fall 2022. When they resume sessions, you can find the updated meeting dates and times [here](#)!

Details of the quarterly meetings and workgroup meetings, such as date, time, locations, agendas, and materials are posted in the [IWIB calendar](#). [Click here](#) for the June 2022 Quarterly Report.

Find the Apprenticeship Illinois Resources You Need at
www.apprenticeshipil.com



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Find Apprenticeship Success Stories Online

Apprenticeship Success Stories

Success Stories highlight how apprenticeship programs have helped:

- An individual succeed in completing a program that has helped them reach their career, training, and/or employment goal,
- Business participation in apprenticeship program and how it helped the business change, grow, and helped their workforce,
- Communities change or grow and how it has helped the local workforce.

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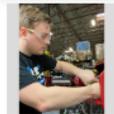
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National Apprenticeship Resources

Resources for Apprenticeship from Maher/AIR:

- [State Apprenticeship Grantee Resource Guide](#) covers apprenticeship basics, state apprenticeship grant management, apprenticeship expansion strategy, and industry and occupation-specific information.
- [Apprenticeship Expansion Acceleration Strategies Resources](#)
- [Program Registration Acceleration Tool](#)
- [Apprenticeship Expansion Self-Assessment.](#)

Resources for Apprenticeship from Workforce GPS

- [Aligning the Registered Apprenticeship and Workforce Development Systems: A Resource](#)

- [Registered Apprenticeship 101 Bootcamp: RAP and the Public Workforce System](#)
- [Promising Practices in Apprenticeship Expansion](#)
- [Elements of Apprenticeship Expansion](#)

