

APPRENTICESHIP EXPLORATION GUIDE

CARPENTER



DID YOU KNOW?

- Carpenters may be expected to travel for work.
- The median wage is \$23/hour or \$48,000/year.
- There are projected to be over 4,000 job openings for carpenters by 2033.

WHAT ARE SOME JOBS YOU COULD HAVE?

- **Construction/rough carpenters** construct, install, and repair wood structures using hand and power tools.
- **Finish carpenters** add final touches to homes when building is complete, such as trim and detailed woodworking.
- **Weatherization installers** work to improve the energy efficiency of homes and buildings.

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Sign up for Vermont JobLink (www.vermontjoblink.com) to learn about different training opportunities and available jobs.

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Learn more about what carpenters do on the Vermont Labor Market Information's Occupation Profile (www.vtlmi.info/occupation.cfm).

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Explore apprenticeships & other resources with a Job Center Specialist. For more information, contact: labor.apprenticeship@vermont.gov.

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Apply to an available apprenticeship in Vermont! Ask for help from Job Center Specialists with your application materials.

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After you are hired as an apprentice, sign an apprenticeship agreement and start working.

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Maximize the benefits of mentorship by actively using the skills your mentors teach you.

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Complete all your required on-the-job training and your coursework and get ready for a rewarding career building Vermont's future!

SCHOOL COUNSELORS, EDUCATORS, AND PARENTS: WHAT ARE SOME KEY BENEFITS OF AN APPRENTICESHIP?

Pride and Fulfillment

Apprentices feel a sense of pride and accomplishment, knowing they have acquired valuable skills and are on the path to a successful career they love.

Industry-Recognized Credentials

Apprenticeships often lead to nationally or internationally recognized qualifications. These credentials are valued by employers and can significantly enhance career prospects and employability.

Real-World Experience

Apprenticeships provide hands-on training in actual work environments, giving the apprentice practical skills they can use immediately.

Job Security

Apprentices are full-time employees, enjoying the benefits of long-term job security and stability within the ever-evolving job market.

Earn While Learning

Unlike traditional education paths, apprenticeships allow apprentices to earn a paycheck while they learn, easing financial burdens and setting them up for financial independence.

Personalized Mentorship

Apprentices will work closely with experienced professionals who serve as mentors, offering guidance, support, and valuable insights to help them succeed.



WHAT HELPS YOU LEARN THE BEST IS WHEN YOU SHOW UP KNOWING THAT 'TODAY I WANT TO LEARN HOW TO DO THIS,' OR 'TODAY I'M GOING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO DO THAT.'

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