Registered Apprenticeship is a pathway to skilled jobs that combines related classroom instruction and on-the-job learning. Apprenticeship is an "earn and learn" model that provides workers with income while they learn on the job. Apprenticeship programs are increasingly found not only in the skilled trades, but also in advanced manufacturing, healthcare, information technology, and a host of additional fields with career opportunities that provide livable wages. The Spokane Workforce Council values apprenticeship as one of the key strategies for training tomorrow's workforce, and we have been investing in resources to expand apprenticeship opportunities in the Spokane area.
National Apprenticeship Week, now in its fifth year, is a nationwide celebration that gives businesses, communities, and educators the opportunity to showcase their apprenticeship programs and apprentices while providing valuable information to career seekers. We'll be celebrating all week long – look for our spotlight stories on LinkedIn, Facebook, and Twitter!

New website will launch November 15th!
Designed specifically to provide valuable apprenticeship resources for career seekers and businesses, ApprenticeshipSpokane.com will be a new all-inclusive, one-stop resource for our region!

Resources for Businesses and Career Seekers

Derelyn Howard
Apprenticeship Development Specialist, Spokane Workforce Council
Derelyn can help your business create an apprenticeship program and/or expand existing programs. Schedule a site visit today!
Phone: (509) 960–6269
Email: dhoward@spokaneworkforce.org
Beckie Sommerville
Apprenticeship Navigator, WorkSource Spokane
Backie is located at WorkSource and is available to assist you in finding the trade that best fits your passion and abilities. Set up an appointment today!
Phone: (509) 532-3145

Spotlight on Pre-Apprenticeship

Murrough McKelvey
Spokane Urban Forestry, Intern

Murrough, a student at the Next Generation Zone who successfully completed the 2019 Skilled Trades Academy, a three-week pre-apprenticeship program receiving certifications in CPR/First Aid, Flagging and Forklift. Pre-apprenticeship programs are opportunities for individuals to gain exposure to careers through hands-on curriculum and training. Murrough recently began an internship position at Spokane Urban Forestry.

Upcoming Events

Community Resource Exchange, hosted by United Way
November 16, 2019, 10:00am–2:00pm
Spokane Resource Center, 130 S Arthur St, Upstairs

SWC Executive Committee Meeting
November 21, 2019, 12:00–2:00pm
SWC Event Center, 140 S Arthur St, Suite 300C

SWC Council Meeting
December 11, 2019, 7:30–9:30am
Ruby River Hotel,

Talent Solutions Center Grand Opening
December 11, 2019, 11:30am–1:30pm
140 S Arthur St, Suite 300B&C

More information on all events: SpokaneWorkforce.org/events.