

Trades and Apprenticeships

An apprenticeship is an opportunity to learn a skilled trade on the job while being paid. There are currently 144 skilled trades in Canada for which you can be trained and find employment; several of these trades are Red Seal trades, for which you can write a national exam.

Most apprenticeships require you to have your OSSD. Throughout the years of your apprenticeship, there is mandatory classroom instruction, with this cost being largely covered by the provincial government. You must register your apprenticeship with the *Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities*.

Both the Cooperative Education and Guidance Departments can assist you in trying to find an apprenticeship after you graduate from high school.

For more information on the skilled trades and apprenticeships, visit these websites:

www.ontario.ca/page/skilled-trades

www.collegeoftrades.ca