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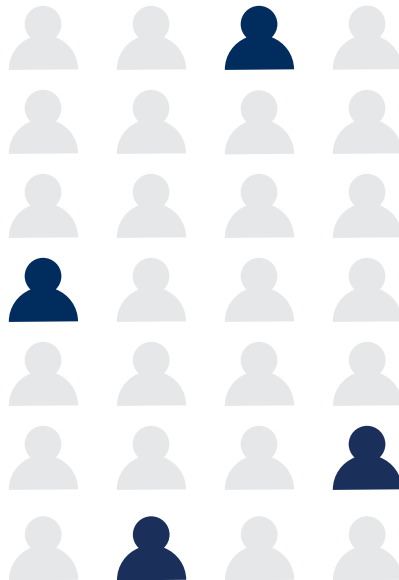
For Community Colleges to Expand Apprenticeship Programs



31

MILLION

estimated skilled trade positions will be left vacant by 2020 when Baby Boomers retire.³



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MILLION JOBS

in the U.S. pay an average of **\$55,000 per year** and **don't require bachelor's degrees.**¹

Over the past 30 years, the

COST

of a 4-year degree has increased

8x FASTER THAN WAGES,

making other postsecondary education pathways, including apprenticeship programs, attractive options for many job seekers.²

The U.S. Department of Labor is providing

90

MILLION

IN FUNDING

to garner **1 million** new apprentices in three years.

Community colleges & businesses are working to rapidly expand their local partnerships.

Apprenticeships span a variety of industries and data shows that

91%

of apprentices continue employment after the conclusion of an apprenticeship program.⁴



Healthcare



Information Technology



Manufacturing



Energy



Hospitality



Construction

PARTNER

Build Successful Work-Based Learning Programs with ACT Workforce Solutions

HERE'S HOW



Step 1 Job Profiling

Align programs and curriculum to ACT® WorkKeys® skill levels, including the National Career Readiness Certificate® (NCRC®), to identify the WorkKeys skills and skill levels required for entrance into the program and skill levels required upon graduation.

Step 2 WorkKeys Assessments



Integrate WorkKeys Assessments into your apprenticeship or work-based learning programs as an entry and/or exit requirement to improve retention and completion.



Step 3 WorkKeys Curriculum

Use WorkKeys Curriculum to close the skills gap, empower students to improve their skill levels, and master key skills for the job.

Step 4 Credentialing



Identify candidate skill levels. Measure progress. Award your students a nationally recognized credential.



Step 5 Matching Qualified Apprentices to Jobs

Apprenticeship or pre-apprenticeship programs that partner with ACT help businesses find, hire, and retain more skilled employees.

Step 6 Trained Workforce, Thriving Communities



Help your students prepare for the future workforce. When individuals succeed, communities thrive and prosper to drive economic growth.

Assess. Certify. Grow.

ACT wants to help you build successful work-based learning programs. Strengthen your programs and empower your students with ACT Workforce Solutions.

ACT® Get started at act.org/workforce

¹ The Good Jobs Project, A Research Project by the Georgetown Center & JPMorgan Chase <https://goodjobsdata.org/wp-content/uploads/GoodJobs-PressRelease-Final.pdf>

² Forbes <https://www.forbes.com/sites/camilomaldonado/2018/07/24/price-of-college-increasing-almost-8-times-faster-than-wages/#44ac907d66c1>

³ Adecco Staffing Solutions <https://www.adeccousa.com/employers/resources/skilled-trades-in-demand/>

⁴ U.S. Department of Labor <https://apprenticeship.gov>