



Carpentry Pre-Apprenticeship

Tuesdays & Wednesdays 6 – 9 pm
12 weeks

Training Cost: Free to qualified individuals

- Cost includes book, study helps and other classroom supplies/tools

Prerequisites:

- High School Diploma or High School Equivalency Diploma required
- Driver's license or state issued photo ID

Carpentry Pre-Apprenticeship Course Description

Learn basic carpentry skills and framing. Earn admission to the IKORCC Paid Apprenticeship program! IKORCC carpenters are the most highly trained and productive in the business. They are trained to work quickly, accurately, and safely, while delivering the quality of work contractors and their customers have come to expect.

What is the IKORCC Carpenter Apprenticeship?

- **The Commercial Carpenters Apprenticeship Training Program is monitored and approved by the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, United States Department of Labor.**
- **Paid Apprenticeship – learn on the job! Paid benefits included.**
- **This is a 4 year program that results in an Ivy Tech Associate's Degree in Applied Science.**
- **No college debt**
- **1 week per quarter in the classroom.**
- **\$100/ year book fee – basic tool requirements that are added to annually.**
- **At successful completion, graduates receive a journeyman certificate from the USDOL.**

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IMPORTANT TO KNOW

- **Perfect attendance is expected in this class! While we know emergencies come up, students need to make very effort to be present in every class.**
- **An attendance agreement will be signed by each student. Multiple absences will result in a student being dismissed from the class.**
- **Each student will sign off on a background check.**
- **To be accepted into the Carpentry Apprenticeship once this class is completed, students must have acceptable attendance and pass a substance abuse test.**
- **This class will concentrate on interior systems, including metal studs and drywall, as well as, other related tasks for commercial building needs. This is the area with the most current job availability.**

More About Carpenters

Apprenticeship wages start at \$13+/hr for the 180 day probationary period, then increase each year to top out at \$25+/hr. Current Journeymen rate is \$30+/hr (all wages subject to change and represent the Marion county area).

Working Conditions

As is true of other building trades, carpentry work is sometimes strenuous. Prolonged standing, climbing, bending, and kneeling often are necessary. Carpenters risk injury working with sharp or rough materials, using sharp tools and power equipment, and working in situations where they might slip or fall. Consequently, workers in this occupation experience a very high incidence of nonfatal injuries and illnesses. Additionally, carpenters who work outdoors are subject to variable weather conditions. Many carpenters work a standard 40 hour week; however, some work more.

Tasks

- Build things such as highways, buildings, furniture, and cabinets.
- Install and repair structures and fixtures made of wood and other materials.
- Frame walls and partitions.
- Install doors and windows.
- Build stairs.
- Construct wooden forms for pouring concrete.
- Build tunnel bracing in underground passageways.

Why Be a Carpenter?

Expected job openings are projected to increase 8% in the next 10 years. Carpenters who complete formal apprenticeship programs receive certification as journeypersons. Some carpenters earn other certifications in scaffold building, high torque bolting, or pump work. These certifications prove that carpenters are able to perform these tasks, which can lead to additional responsibilities.

Carpenters usually have more opportunities than most other construction workers to become general construction supervisors, because carpenters are exposed to the entire construction process. For those who would like to advance, it is increasingly important to be able to communicate in both English and Spanish in order to relay instructions and safety precautions to workers; Spanish-speaking workers make up a large part of the construction workforce in many areas. Carpenters may advance to carpentry supervisor or general construction supervisor positions. Others may become independent contractors.