

Training Beyond High School



Some jobs require formal training beyond high school, but not a college degree. For example, licensed practical nurses usually have a certificate of training from a technical or community college.

This is called a 'post-secondary' vocational award. These are not college degrees, but certificate or diploma programs that provide essential skills and training specific to the job.

To find out those Connecticut colleges that offer diploma programs, please go to www.cttraining.info and select the 'Advanced Search' feature.

Staff in the **CTWORKS** Career Centers are familiar with training programs that are available in your area. They will be glad to talk to you about training opportunities to meet your career goals.

To find a local **CTWORKS** Career Center, visit: www.ctdol.state.ct.us/ContactInfo/CTWorks/Directory.htm

Looking to fast-track your career? Consider an apprenticeship!



It combines on-the-job training, mentoring, and classroom training for a particular job, and you get paid while you learn!

Formal apprenticeships are registered with the U.S. Department of Labor.

For a list of apprenticeship opportunities in Connecticut, search the Connecticut Department of Labor's Office of Apprenticeship Training website at: www.ctapprenticeship.com

Qualities
Employers look for many things in a job candidate. Some basic qualities include:

- punctuality** - being on time
- dependability** - can you be relied upon?
- competency** - can you do the required tasks?
- cooperation** - do you work well with others?

Benefits

In addition to a paycheck, the range of benefits offered by certain jobs can be broad. Typically, larger companies offer a more comprehensive benefits package, but don't rule out small companies.

During your job search, seek out employers who offer any of the following benefits:

- stable work hours**
- advancement opportunities**
- enjoyable and rewarding work environment**
- vacation, sick or family leave**
- health insurance**
- education benefits or tuition reimbursement**
- retirement benefits**

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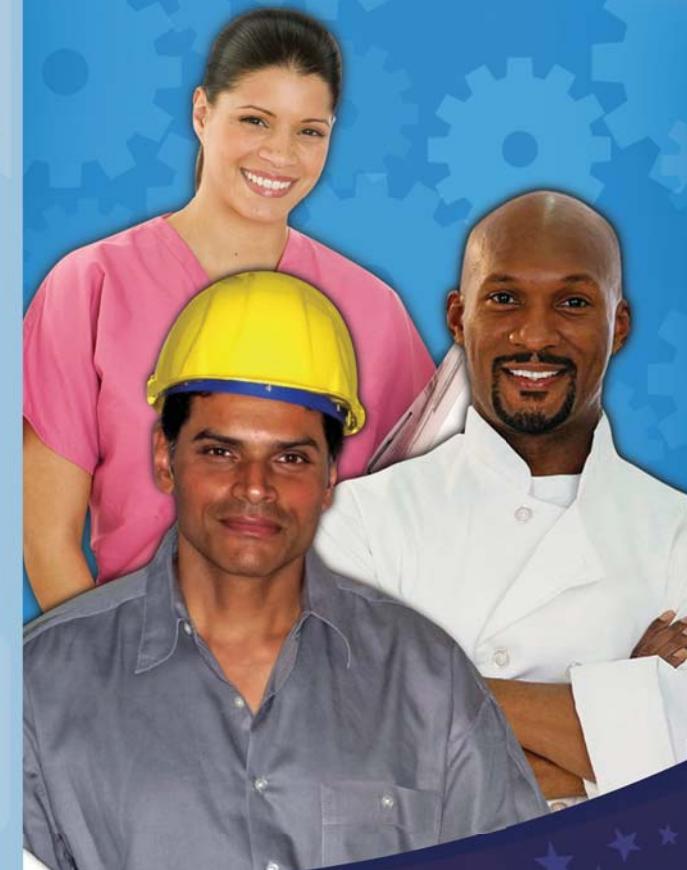


**www.ct.gov/dol
labor market information**



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GOOD JOBS DON'T ALWAYS REQUIRE A DEGREE





"I don't have a four-year college degree... Are there any good jobs out there for me?"

Are you someone who...

Is seeking a better job and needs re-training?

Would like to go to college, but can't afford it right now?

Does not like the thought of doing homework and sitting in a classroom for four more years?

Did You Know? There are **LOTS OF JOBS IN CONNECTICUT** that are expected to have many openings, and best of all... they **DO NOT REQUIRE A 4-YEAR COLLEGE DEGREE!**

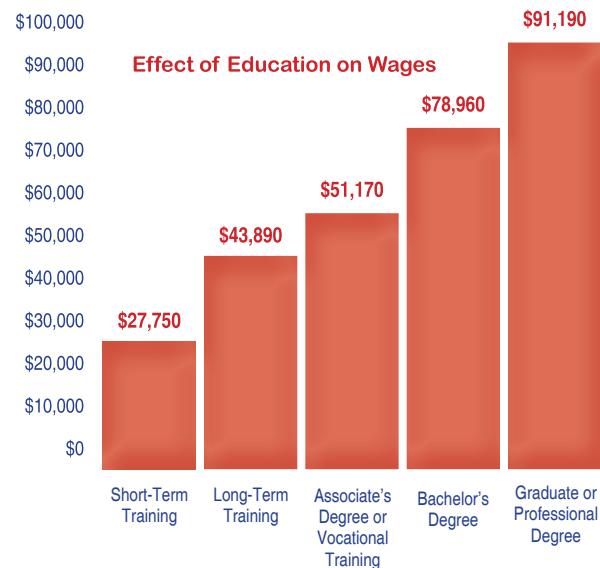
CONNECTICUT'S IN-DEMAND JOBS THAT DO NOT REQUIRE A FOUR-YEAR DEGREE

	hourly wage		hourly wage
Jobs that require on-the-job training, certification, work experience, and/or high school diploma		Jobs that require up to 2 years of post-secondary education and/or training	
Cost Estimators	\$ 28.10	*Dental Hygienists	\$ 34.60
Purchasing Agents	28.00	*Registered Nurses	31.50
*Police & Sheriff's Patrol Officers	27.60	*Real Estate Sales Agents	28.00
Claims Adjusters & Investigators	27.10	*Radiologic Technicians	26.90
Food Service Managers	23.40	*Licensed Practical Nurses	25.20
Chefs & Head Cooks	19.40	Computer Support Specialists	23.80
Fitness Trainers & Aerobic Instructors	19.30	Mechanical Drafters	23.50
*Hazardous Materials Removal Workers	18.90	Cardiovascular Technologists	22.40
*Truck Drivers, Heavy & Tractor Trailer	18.90	Paralegals and Legal Assistants	22.10
Social & Human Service Assistants	18.60	Medical Equipment Repairers	21.70
Bookkeeping, Accounting Clerks	18.40	*Physical Therapist Assistants	20.60
*Dental Assistants	17.80	Automotive Service Technicians	19.10
Customer Service Representatives	17.20	Veterinary Technologists	16.80
Ambulance Drivers & Attendants	11.20	Medical Secretaries	16.50
*Pharmacy Technicians	10.70	Medical Assistants	15.40

Source: Connecticut Occupational Employment and Wages - 2007

* requires a State of Connecticut license

MORE EDUCATION can mean MORE MONEY!!!



A Word About Licensing...

There are more than 250 professions and occupations that require a license in Connecticut. Occupational licensing is administered through various state agencies.

For more information on licensing, please visit the Connecticut Licensing Info Center's Web site at: www.ct-clic.com

