

PIPELINE PROGRAM

INDUSTRY-BASED. EMPLOYER-DRIVEN. DUAL-TRAINING EXPERIENCE.

WHAT IS THE PIPELINE PROGRAM?

The Minnesota PIPELINE (Private Investment, Public Education, Labor and Industry Experience) Program is an innovative approach to address current and future workforce needs. The program works with employers to change the conversation from “How do we find workers with the skills we need?” to “How do we GIVE workers the skills we need?”

PIPELINE exists to support employers in creating or enhancing a competency based dual-training approach where workers receive a combination of related instruction strategically paired with on-the-job training. Dual-training grants through the Minnesota Office of Higher Education provide funding for employers to create new and expand existing dual-training initiatives.



Advanced
Manufacturing



Agriculture



Health Care Services



Information
Technology

SUCCESS STORY: Dotson Iron Castings

Nicole Lynch, human resources generalist

“Dual training allowed us to open up additional resources so that we could focus on creating a career path for team members to continue developing their skills. Our employees could apply their work-related experience in the classroom, while their classroom experience directly applied to their work. It’s a win-win.”

Jordan Schoener, PIPELINE dual trainee

“What I appreciated most about my dual-training program was that I was able to reinforce what I was learning at school once I was at work. I’m hoping my continued education will open up more opportunities for me and my career.”

PIPELINE BY THE NUMBERS

808 industry leaders engaged in the PIPELINE Program.

737 trainees connected to PIPELINE Dual-Training Programs.

67 employers with active PIPELINE Dual-Training Programs.

36 occupations with industry-approved competency standards.

OCCUPATIONS AND PATHWAYS

Employers advise PIPELINE about the positions they're having a difficult time filling. Next, employers work with us to lay out core competencies an individual would need to succeed in these in-demand careers. Below are the occupations currently identified for PIPELINE program.

Advanced Manufacturing

- Flexo Technician
- Machinist/CNC Operator
- Maintenance and Repair Worker
- Mechatronics
- Quality Assurance/ Food Safety Supervisor
- Welder
- Machinist/Tool and Die
- Safety Technician
- Quality Assurance Technician
- Logistics and Supply Chain Manager

Health Care Services

- Health Support Specialist
- Medical Assistant
- Psychiatric/Mental Health Technician In-Patient
- Senior Living Culinary manager
- Psychiatric/Mental Health Technician Out-Patient
- Community Health Worker
- Electronic Health Records Manager

Information Technology

- Security Analyst
- Service Desk/Front Line Support of Computer User Specialist
- Software Developer
- Web Developer – Back End
- Web Developer – Front End
- Programming Pathway
- Information Security Pathway
- Strategic Planning – Business Management Pathway
- Software Testing Quality Assurance Pathway
- Infrastructure Administration Pathway
- Information Management and Analytics Pathway
- Information Support and Services Pathway

Agriculture

- Agronomics
- Mechanic/Industrial Truck
- Swine Manager
- Swine Technician (Grow Finish)
- Swine Technician (Sow Farmer)
- Quality Assurance/ Food Safety Supervisor
- Applicator Technician

GET INVOLVED

- Sign-up for PIPELINE Program emails at www.dli.mn.gov/pipeline.asp.
- Get assistance from PIPELINE Program consultants to begin your company's own dual-training program
- Take part in PIPELINE Program Industry and Competency Council meetings to advise and create new workforce development initiatives related to apprenticeship and dual training.

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