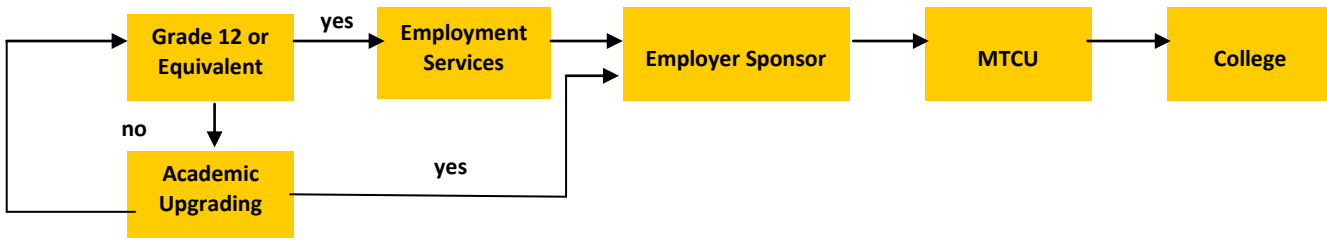


Pathways to Apprenticeship



Pre-Apprenticeship

Successful applicants are required to undergo a [selection criteria](#) as outlined by the MTCU.

Upon successful selection into the program, applicants will complete their [Academic Upgrading](#) (Grade 12 Trade Equivalency Certificate for the Trade requirement) and Certificate of Completion for Trade Prep Studies.

Successful completion of Level One of the Trade.

Students may be hired full-time or part-time by the employer during or at the end of the work placement, at the sole discretion of the employer. Students may then become sponsored Apprentices (registered with an employer to begin their on-the-job training), so that they may achieve Levels Two and Three in subsequent terms.

Employer Sponsored Apprenticeship

Applicants must have an Ontario Secondary School Diploma, or Grade 12 equivalency, employment in the trade/sponsored through an employer.

Co-Op Diploma Apprenticeship

Applicants (who meet all eligibility criteria for the Co-Op Diploma program and the Apprenticeship program) are registered through an employer sponsored group coordinated in conjunction with Niagara College.

Learning experience is in class, paid co-op placement. Accumulated hours (in class and co-op placement) are eligible towards apprenticeship certification.

Completed Apprenticeship

Admission requirements includes an Ontario Secondary School Diploma/or Grade 12 equivalency AND employment in the trade. If you do not have Grade 12 or equivalent, Niagara College can assist with [Academic Upgrading](#).

Find an [employer](#) that will sponsor your apprenticeship.

Register with a [trade union](#).

Register with your local [Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities](#) (MTCU) Apprenticeship branch. Determine your eligibility towards apprenticeship scholarships/incentive grants. [Foreign trained tradespeople](#) must consult with MTCU for assessment of qualifications.