

Apprenticeship Incentives Program

Apprenticeship is a long-standing part of the training and post-secondary education system in New Brunswick. It is a structured program consisting of workplace training and technical instruction where the apprentice masters the skills of an occupation by spending 80 per cent of the time learning on-the-job and 20 per cent in a classroom where qualified instructors provide the technical block training.

These incentives will help to encourage employers to register and employ apprentices in the skilled trades, attend and progress through their program, facilitate apprentices working outside of New Brunswick and increase the opportunities for them to work within the public service.

Apprenticeship Employer Incentive Grant

- New Brunswick employers who employ apprentices registered under the *Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification Act* may be eligible for the Apprenticeship Employer Incentive Grant. This is a taxable cash grant available to the employer once an apprentice successfully completes a block of training. Employers who meet the eligibility criteria may be entitled to receive a \$1,000 taxable cash grant. However, employers of (a) females and/or (b) aboriginal apprentices may be eligible for an increased grant of \$1,500 per block.

Apprenticeship Tuition Rebate

- Registered apprentices will be eligible for a tuition rebate of \$85 per week (an average of \$600 per block) once they have completed a level of block training.

Out-of-province Apprenticeship strategy

- This strategy aims to facilitate apprentices working outside of New Brunswick by enabling residents of the province to (a) register into a New Brunswick apprenticeship program and work out-of-province for an out-of-province employer, (b) accumulate working hours while out-of-province which will be credited towards the required hours for completion, and (c) attend technical training in New Brunswick.

Provincial Government Hiring Apprenticeship Initiative

- This initiative aims to increase opportunities for apprentices to work with provincial government departments and agencies.

For more information, please contact your local [Apprenticeship and Occupational Certification office](#) or call toll free at 1-855-453-2260.