

Training

In-person classroom training runs:

- Monday to Friday from 9:30 am—4:30 pm

On-site training runs:

- Monday to Friday from 8:00 am—4:30 pm

Participants will learn:

- Transferrable skills such as: communication, creativity & innovation, problem-solving, digital, collaboration, adaptability, etc.
- Foundational skills such as: numeracy, writing, reading to help prepare for the apprenticeship entrance exam for certified trades in Alberta
- Targeted technical skills used in construction sector to meet current and future requirements for skilled workforce within this industry.



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EMCN's Skill Up program is a foundational and technical skills employment training initiative for newcomers who want to enter the construction industry and related trades. Skill Up helps participants find career success in Alberta's skilled trades and construction industries by focusing on improving job readiness skills and facilitating work placement opportunities for better job retention.

Program Objectives:

- Bridge the gap for newcomers between their existing skills and education, as well as the needs and requirements of Alberta's job market;
- Offer newcomers the opportunity to prepare for and complete the entrance exam for Alberta's apprenticeship programs; and
- Create a pool of qualified newcomers for employers in Alberta to draw from to fill positions in construction and the trades.

Participant Benefits:

Successful participants receive:

- 17-weeks of paid training:
 - * 8-weeks: in-class essential skills training
 - * 9-weeks: on-site training
- Job placement
- Related exposure courses
- Certificate of Skill Up course completion

Eligibility Note

Refugees under Canada's Immigration and Refugee Protection Act who have been given 'Refugee Status', and issued a 'Notice of Decision' (Decision on Refugee Protection Claim) and have a valid Canadian work permit will be eligible to participate in Skill Up program.

Eligibility Requirements

All eligible program participants to:

- Be interested in a career in the Construction/ Trades sector in Alberta
- Be 18 years of age or older
- Have Canadian Language Benchmark Level (CLB) 5+
- Be a Permanent Resident (PR status) or Canadian citizen—that's been in Canada less than 10 years
- Be legally entitled to work in Canada



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