

When are pre-apprenticeship classes offered?

Classes are offered both day and evening. Most classes are full-term, but some are offered in a shorter format. Refer to the class schedule, the DVC web site, or contact the program lead, Joe Valdez at jvaldez@dvc.edu or the Counseling Office for the most current information.

How long will it take to earn a certificate?

The certificate of achievement is designed as a one-two semester sequence involving a total of 21 units.



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HERE!**



**I'M INTERESTED.
WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW?**

For more information contact:

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1690 Watermill Road, San Ramon, CA 94582

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PRE- APPRENTICESHIP CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE PROGRAM



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Acquire real world experience, earn industry certifications, and become eligible for direct entry into the NorCal Laborers Training Program.



What is the DVC's pre-apprenticeship program?

The Pre-Apprenticeship program is designed with the career-focused student in mind. This fast paced program puts students on the fast track to a career in the building trades. Students will receive the training they need for a new and exciting career in a number of apprenticeship programs including:

- Electrician
- Carpenter
- Plumber
- Laborer
- Ironworker
- Steamfitting
- Pipefitting
and more!



Who can participate in DVC's Pre-Apprenticeship program?

Any student looking to fast track their way into a career in the building trades can participate in the Pre-Apprenticeship program at DVC. All we ask is that you treat this program as you would any job, and you will undoubtedly find success in a long and satisfying career in the building trades! Our faculty is here to make sure that you are successful!

Why would I want to participate in the pre-apprenticeship program?

We know that the "traditional" college experience is not for everyone, and this program is another choice for those seeking a different path. Whether you are a student that wants to switch into a career-technical field, someone who wants to get (back) to work making a living wage, or looking to brush up on your skills to gain entry into an apprenticeship program, DVC's Pre-Apprenticeship program can help you achieve those goals!

Am I guaranteed a job at the end of the program?

Completion of the program does not guarantee job placement. However, upon successful completion of the program you may be eligible to receive priority status into the Carpenter Training Committee for the Northern California Pre-Apprenticeship Program.



What types of skills will I learn that will help me get a job?

Students in the program will learn many skills required to apply for an apprenticeship trade or entry-level position with a variety of companies.

- Experience hands-on training
- Learn about the construction industry
- Acquire points toward entry into apprenticeship trades
- Trades/Industry preview
- Preparation for entrance exams
- Basic safety
- Blueprint reading
- Hand/power tools
- Employability skills
- Basic math competencies

"Without the DVC introduction to the trades, I would not be where I am today! I thought this program would lead me to become an inspector or an operator. Proudly, I am now a Journey Woman Carpenter and I wouldn't change it for the world!" *April Gustavus, Journeywoman Carpenter*