

# Scholarship Eligibility Overview

**Scholarship Opportunity:** *Professional Skills Training and Employment Project—a federally funded grant program targeting IT, Software and Advanced Manufacturing industries.*

## Types of scholarship eligible occupations:

Engineers	Computer Programmers
Engineering Technicians	Computer Specialists
Industrial Production Managers	IT Specialist
Computer-Controlled Machine Operators	Network and Computer Systems Administrators
General and Operations Managers	Systems Administrators/Architects

## How the scholarship benefits you:

- Financial assistance to complete your certificate/degree
- Job placement assistance through WorkSource Portland Metro
- Access to On-the-Job-Training (OJT) opportunities and/or paid internships
- Job search preparations opportunities such as workshops and high-tech networking groups
- Career guidance and support

## WorkSource considerations:

- All applicants must meet the following requirements:
  1. Register at WorkSource Portland Metro, have an active account, and actively engage in services
  2. Be a Multnomah or Washington County Resident (exceptions can be made for some situations as long as it meets ProSTEP guidelines; ProSTEP is also offered in SW Washington and Clackamas County)
  3. Meet the eligibility requirements of the ProSTEP grant
  4. Complete the application process
- Each application consideration is based upon:
  1. Candidate's likelihood of getting a training-related job
  2. Costs versus benefits of training program
  3. Financial considerations

**If your funding is approved:**

- Maintain a status of an actively engaged WorkSource customer by logging into your WorkSource Portland Metro account at least once every 45 days until you have obtained employment
- While in training:
  1. Maintain monthly contact with your WorkSource Advisor with updates on the progress of your training
  2. Successfully complete your training program
  3. Provide a copy of any certificate, license or credential you attain
- When training is complete and while job searching:
  1. Update your WorkSource Advisor and provide a documentation of your completion
  2. Update your job search portfolio documents to reflect your new skills
  3. Utilize job search and job search support resources available through WorkSource Portland Metro

**What's next?**

- Register at your nearest WorkSource center and complete the Welcome Process
- Complete the application packet with all accompanying documents
- Contact your WorkSource Advisor to set up a one-on-one appointment for reviewing your application materials and complete eligibility
- Bring to your appointment:
  1. Your application and accompanying documentation
  2. Drivers License and Social Security card OR passport
  3. Projected class schedule to complete your degree

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