

Skills Development Assistance

Assists eligible individuals who need training to find employment

- We provide one-to-one counselling to help you assess your need for training and develop an employment plan
- You are generally expected to contribute to the cost of training

What services are offered?

Support Services

- counselling and assistance to develop an employment plan
- access to information on occupations and training opportunities
- access to the Manitoba Student Aid Program if you need help to fund your contribution towards training

Financial Support

- generally 12 to 52 weeks
- up to 2 years of support may be available for training in high demand occupations
- support for training will not be provided if you started a training course on your own without prior approval from Industry, Training and Employment Services
- support for training may not be provided if you have received support from Industry, Training and Employment Services to participate in skills training within the previous two years
- we will review your request for assistance in relation to your needs, the labour market, and the availability of funds

Eligible Training

- occupational and/or skills training
- academic upgrading, literacy and/or English as a Second Language training required for skills training or employment
- apprenticeship training
- co-operative education programs

Eligible Schools

- community colleges and other public training and education institutions
- private vocational institutions
- private training organizations

Who can participate?

You may be eligible if you fit into one of these categories:

- Have a current or previous Employment Insurance (EI) claim
- Employed individuals who are low skilled
- In receipt of Provincial Employment and Income Assistance (EIA) benefits
- An individual who is unemployed or about to lose your job

Want to know more?

Contact your local Manitoba Jobs and Skills Development Centre to find out more about this program.

To find the Centre nearest you:

- Call 204-945-0575 (in Winnipeg) or toll free 1-866-332-5077
- Or visit Manitoba Jobs and Skills Development Centres online at: www.gov.mb.ca/wd/ites/contact.html

Information contained in this document provides an overview of the Skills Development program, although additional program criteria may apply.