

About Us

When it comes to finding a job, making sure people have the skills they need for the position plays an essential role. People who do not have the necessary skills can find themselves struggling in a new position. They may start to lose confidence and feel unsure about what to do. The businesses that hire them will also feel frustrated as they lose money and time. They find themselves training new employees who do not have the insight and practical knowledge they need to do what they were hired to do.

People who participate in our career-specific vocational training program in either food or janitorial services, will have the credentials and training they need to get started right away in their chosen career path.

After completing this three month training, students will enter the work force with the tools and experience needed to be more employable. They will have received hands on training and education - creating a well-rounded skill set that employers look for..

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Career-Specific Vocational
Training in Janitorial
and Food Service

What We Offer

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Our two job specific vocational services being offered will be in the Janitorial and Food services. Here students will receive an extensive 12 week hands on training – both in a classroom and on-site learning. They will have a chance to learn about the products, equipment and knowledge that goes into working in these fields. Students will also have a chance to learn soft skills – these group activities will focus on communication, problem-solving and leadership assets. The training provided is a curriculum written solely for this program and adapted from several educational institutions as well as following the Servsafe and HACCP guidelines.

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Commitment and Criteria

This training program runs for 12 weeks. During this time, students will be expected to arrive on time and ready to learn for every class. Students will need to be available to travel to off-site locations as well as in class learning depending on agencies expectations and policy. Students will also be expected to show professionalism and a readiness to enter the workforce once training has been completed. Class days and times may vary per agency.

In order to be selected, participants in the career-specific vocational training program must be enrolled in at least one of the following: HCBS Prevocational Services, HCBS Pathway to Employment, HCBS Supported Employment (SEMP), The Employment Training Program (ETP), or state-funded SEMP for FY 23/24. In FY 24/25, the career-specific vocational training program may accept any individual enrolled in any HCBS Waiver service or state-funded services who has a vocational and employment plan and will actively seek employment after completion of the training program.

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Certified Training

We offer hands on training as well as classroom learning.

Partnerships with community connections such as Rosamond Gifford Zoo, Menorah Park, Clear Path for Veterans, Lutheran Home, SUNY Oneonta, Finger Lakes Mall and more.

Employable soft skills that can easily be transitioned into everyday life skills such as time management and communication. This paired with hard skills such as money counting, customer service, cross contamination and kitchen and chemical safety.

Working with a student's employment services to ensure job development.

Curriculum specifically adapted for this program which includes Servsafe, HACCP, Skills to Pay the Bills and The Cleaning Management Institute.

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