Residential Construction

Grand Rapids Community College has an unmatched reputation for providing the highest quality construction training in just five months. GRCC also partners with employers to supply West Michigan with work ready individuals.

Our instructor, Kyle Lackscheide, has a Michigan Builders License, an NCCER Educator Certificate, and a Bachelor’s Degree. Our training program offers a hands-on, real world experience like no other.

Job Titles
- Drywaller
- Finish Carpenter
- Painter
- Rough Carpenter
- Roofer
- Sider

Unique Program Features
- Job Training programs are approximately 18 weeks in length and meet 34 hours per week
- Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
at the construction site
- Focus on constructing homes that achieve a 5-Star Energy rating
- Michigan Green Built
- Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED) certified.
- Small class size
- Job placement assistance
- Program begins every other month
- Self-paced, hands-on learning
- One-on-one support services

Certificates/Credential Options
- GRCC Certificate of Completion
- MIOSHA 10-hour
- Home Builders Association Student Membership
- 60 hour pre-licensure to State of Michigan Apprenticeship
- NCCER Carpentry
- First-Aid/CPR

Employment Outlook (EMSI)
- 107 annual openings for carpenters
- Avg. starting wages = $11.77
- Avg. hourly wage = $15.88

Area Employers
- Bouma Construction
- Fettig Group
- Home Depot
- Raymar Homes
- Kerkstra Precast Concrete
- Zeeland Truss
- Multi-Serve
- Nugent Builders

Course Topics/Features
- Identify key building materials
- Complete a site layout using blueprints and elevations
- Operate hand and power tools
- Observe installing of concrete foundation and complete flat work
- Demonstrate roofing applications
- Apply windows, exterior doors, and finishes
- Identify thermal and moisture protection systems
- Measure, cut-out, and install stairway
- Install interior finishes: Doors, windows, floor, ceiling, and cabinets

Class Location & Hours
Leslie E. Tassell M-TEC
622 Godfrey Ave SW
Grand Rapids, MI 49503
Monday-Thursday: 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
(Meets at construction site)

(616) 234-3800
grcc.edu/jobtraining

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Job Training
Admissions Process

You’re only three steps away.

1. Fill out Free Application Form
   - Must have valid email address to apply
   - Go to www.grcc.edu/apply
   - Choose JOB TRAINING under application type

2. Tuition Options
   There are four options available to cover the costs of your tuition. You may use one or a combination of these methods.
   - Cash, Check or Credit Card
   - Federal Student Aid
     - Apply for a pin# www.pin.ed.gov
     - Complete a Federal Student Aid Application* at www.fafsa.ed.gov
       (use of the PIN# created above is needed to complete)
     - * You will also need your previous year’s tax information and the
       GRCC School code of 002267 to complete accurately.
     - (If you are a male, 18 to 26 years old, please register selective service. Go to https://www.sss.gov)

3. Federal Direct Student Loans
   Go to www.studentloans.gov
   - Complete Entrance Counseling
   - Fill out Master Promissory Note (this will calculate maximum loan eligibility)
   - Complete the GRCC Direct Loan Request Form, available at: www.grcc.edu/jobtraining

The GRCC Direct Loan Request Form is also available at the Leslie E. Tassell M-TEC.

Third Party Funding (i.e. Michigan Works!, employer, other funding source)
Veterans- Please go to www.grcc.edu/jobtraining for a Veterans checklist on education benefits

Assessments Required
   GRCC Job Training Programs require the WorkKeys Assessments. You may schedule an appointment at (616) 234-3800.

If you have graduated from a Michigan high school after 2010 you have already completed the WorkKeys assessments. WorkKeys Assessment results can be requested by contacting ACT at 1-800-967-5539.

Please submit a copy of your results to training@grcc.edu, fax (616) 234-4435 or mail to:

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Once you have completed the 3 steps in the admissions process, please contact Job Training at (616) 234-3800 or training@grcc.edu to begin the enrollment process.