

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN MONTANA BUILDING INDUSTRY LOBAR TRAINING
(BILT) AND THE MONTANA APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING PROGRAM**

Concerning the transfer of applicable educational and on-the-job training credit obtained from completing the Associates of Applied Science degree in Construction Technology-Carpentry from U of M Missoula COT, U of M Helena COT, MSU Billing COT, Montana Tech of the U of M COT, MSU Northern, Flathead Valley Community College, Miles Community College, and Dawson Community College to a carpentry apprenticeship programs registered by the Apprenticeship and Training Program, Montana Department of Labor and Industry, the following has been agreed on by the representing parties.

1. For full credit as stated in this agreement, the apprenticeship applicant must have successfully met all the requirements necessary for obtaining an AAS degree in Carpentry Technology.
2. Based on 18 months of classroom/lab instruction and a required three month internship, twenty one (21) months, (3633 hours) of on-the-job experience which can be applied toward a registered apprenticeship in carpentry will be approved by the Apprenticeship and Training Program. As per Montana apprenticeship regulations, the Program has the authority to approve credit, but the employing sponsor is authorized to actually grant the credit.
3. The educational experience obtained by successful completion of the AAS degree in Carpentry Technology will waive the following course of study required in registered apprenticeship for Carpentry where the North Dakota State College of Science curriculum is utilized:
 - a) Safety and Health
 - b) Rigging Principles and Practices
 - c) Practical Math
 - d) Practical Problems in math for Carpenters
 - e) Building Trades Print Reading
 - f) Carpentry Workbook
 - g) Concrete Formwork
 - h) Construction Surveying
 - i) Modern Carpentry Study guide

4. Educational and On-the-Job training credit for those who have successfully completed the AAS degree in Carpentry entering into the United Brotherhood of Carpenters Joint apprenticeship program will be determined by an evaluation process approved by the perspective state-wide committee.

5. In understanding, the applicant for apprenticeship who has successfully completed the AAS degree in Carpentry Technology will be required to serve no less than 27 months, (4,671 hours) of registered apprenticeship working experience. Furthermore, if the applicant enters a registered apprenticeship program where the NDSCS curriculum is required, the applicant will be required to complete the following course of study:

- A) Fundamentals of the Steele Square
- B) Estimating Residential Construction

6. In cooperation with MSU Billings COT, MSU-N, U of M Helena COT, Montana Tech of the U of M COT, U of M Missoula COT, Flathead Valley Community College, Miles Community College, and Dawson Community College, the Apprenticeship and Training Program will provide no less than annually, informational presentations on registered apprenticeship for carpentry to all students enrolled in the AAS Carpentry Technology Programs at the above colleges.

7. In cooperation with the above mentioned colleges, the Apprenticeship and Training Program will provide, no less than annually, to all the registered sponsors (employers) of carpentry apprenticeships, a list of graduating students from the above college programs and the list of all first year students seeking employment in that industry. The above colleges will extend assistance in this matter by providing the Apprenticeship and Training Program the necessary information as requested on a timely basis.

8. In cooperation with the BILT grant partnership, the Apprenticeship and Training Program and the participating partnership will on an annual basis provide all active apprenticeship sponsors in carpentry with schedules of on going offered live classroom instruction . The Apprenticeship and Training Program will promote and encourage attendance by existing registered apprentice in carpentry .

9. AAS Carpentry Technology graduates who enter into a registered apprenticeship agreement will be required to 90 day probationary period with the sponsoring party. The probationary period has been established by the industry and is required by Montana law governing apprenticeship registration.

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This memorandum an all contents herein, has been agreed upon by the parties representing the above 8 colleges and the Montana Apprenticeship and Program. The memorandum cannot be altered or revised without signed consent by all parties. The Memorandum is effective as of November 1, 2006.

APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING PROGRAM
MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF
LABOR AND INDUSTRY

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MILES COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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MSU-NORTHERN

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U of M – MISSOULA COT

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DAWSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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