Developmental Services Worker (Apprentice)

You can start this January in Kitchener!



"I chose the DSW program because I find helping others to me the most amazing feeling in the world. Fanshawe has an amazing student-oriented atmosphere and it is my pleasure to be a part of that in the coming years."

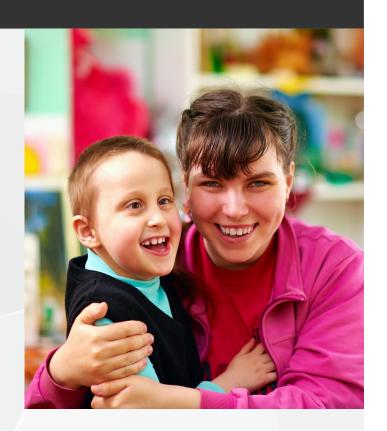
-Jessica Roos

What is the Apprenticeship option?

The Developmental Services Worker (DSW) Apprenticeship is an on-the-job training program for employees in a DSW career who do not have the DSW credential.

There are two components to the DSW Apprenticeship program: on the job and inschool curriculum. Courses are offered in London and Kitchener. At Fanshawe, the program delivers 780 hours of in-school curriculum through 20 part-time courses in a day-release model. Classes are scheduled between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The in-school curriculum embodies current philosophy of support and practices of the DSW sector, focusing on both theoretical and applied knowledge.

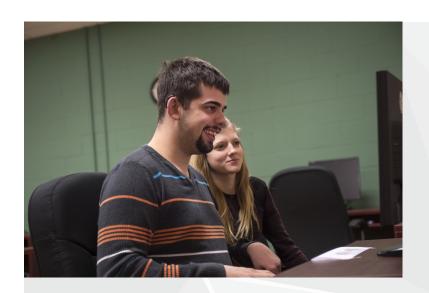




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Is Developmental Services Apprenticeship for you?

Kitchener Apprenticeship Courses are offered on Wednesdays at Sunbeam Center.

Employees working in Developmental Services can be sponsored by their agency to participate in the Developmental Services Apprenticeship Program. Part-time employees working at multiple agencies may also be eligible to participate.

When you complete your Developmental Service Worker Apprenticeship Certificate you will have the opportunity to bridge, by taking a few additional courses, and to obtain the DSW Diploma.

DS Apprenticeship students are subsidized for the classroom cost by the Ministry of Training Colleges and Universities. Students are eligible for a grant upon completion of the program.

If you have any questions about participating or about the program please contact the Program Coordinator.



Developmental Services Worker Apprenticeship Program

What is Apprenticeship?

It is an on-the-job training program for employees working in the field of developmental services who do not have a DSW Credential

What are the Benefits of Apprenticeship?

- Apprentices earn while they learn
- Training opportunity for staff to obtain a DSW Certificate of Apprenticeship and then a DSW College Diploma
- Cost effective means for education. The apprentice pays a classroom fee approximately 15% of the total cost. The government pays 85%

What do Apprentice students receive once they complete their requirements?

Upon successful completion of the apprenticeship, the student will receive a DSW Certificate of Apprenticeship. Apprentices are encouraged to continue to study to obtain a DSW Diploma. Each college determines the courses required to bridge the apprenticeship learning outcomes and the college diploma program.

Is there a cost to registration?

The Apprentice pays a \$60.00 fee to register. An Apprentice registers with the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development (address below)

Entry Level:

The academic entry level is grade 12 or equivalent according to MAESD Apprenticeship.

How many course hours are there?

There are 20 courses equaling 780 hours of in school training.

What if an Apprenticeship student already has some of the courses?

An apprentice is eligible to apply for Prior Learning and Recognition Credits.

How do Apprenticeship students register?

Apply Now! When a person wants to register as an apprentice and she/he has a sponsoring employer willing to engage in apprenticeship training, either the person or the sponsor should contact the local MAESD Apprenticeship office. A training consultant will arrange to meet at the workplace to qualify the employer as a sponsor and register the apprentice.



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