



College Not Your Thing? THERE ARE OTHER OPTIONS...



On-The-Job Training

- ◆ Learn the required skills and gain experience while getting paid!
- ◆ Consider jobs that offer health benefits and a retirement plan.
- ◆ Check out available internships and apprenticeships.
- ◆ Explore the option of going to school *while* working.
- ◆ Start earning and saving money.

Military Careers

- ◆ Serve the country while learning new skills. Check out: www.defense.gov/
- ◆ To search careers, visit www.vacareerview.org/careers/ or go to www.vacareerview.org and click on "Career Search" on the homepage.
- ◆ Go to school during/after serving: the military may pay for your education!
- ◆ Travel the world.
- ◆ Gain advanced technical and specialty training skills.
- ◆ Enjoy 30 days of vacation a year.
- ◆ Receive benefits, housing and a pension at no cost.

Community College/Technical School

- ◆ Consider earning an associates degree by enrolling in a 2-year program. Check out: www.vacareerview.org/68/school-411/school-search or go to www.vacareerview.org and click on 6-8 then click School Search.
- ◆ Tuition:
 - VA resident- \$100/credit hour
 - Out of state resident- \$282.10/credit hour
- ◆ Gain work experience through internships/ apprenticeships while in school.
- ◆ Earn credits that can be applied to a 4-year school curriculum through The Guaranteed Admissions Agreements.
- ◆ Gain specialty skills and certifications, such as an Associate of Applied Science degree, a Diploma in Construction Trades or an ASE (Automotive Service Excellence) Certification.
- ◆ Admission only requires a high school diploma.
- ◆ Get a career started in two years with an associate's degree.

Travel/Volunteer

- ◆ Consider joining the Peace Corps. Visit www.peacecorps.gov for more information.
- ◆ Think about volunteering abroad through Global Volunteers. Visit www.globalvolunteers.org for more information.
- ◆ Discover international exchange programs at InterExchange. Visit www.interexchange.org for more information.
- ◆ AmeriCorps allows you to learn new skills and make new connections while earning money for college. Visit www.americorps.gov for more info.