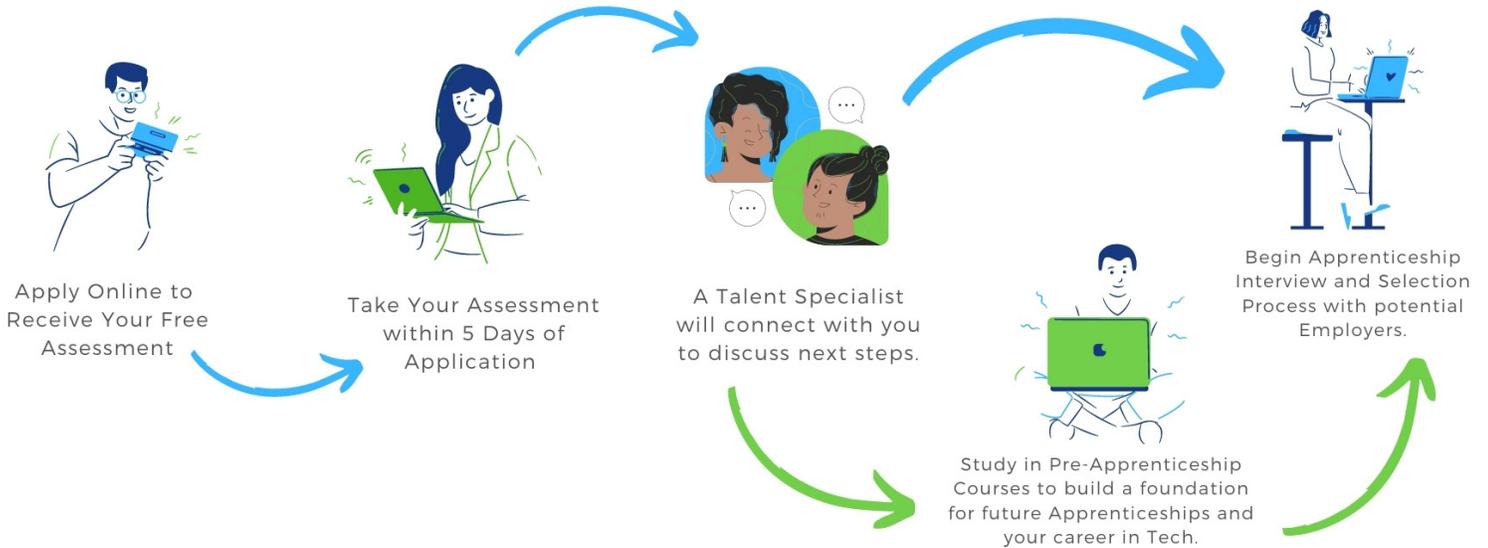


# ReSkill Arkansas

## IN A WORLD THAT REVOLVES AROUND TECHNOLOGY, THERE IS A PLACE FOR YOU!

The goal of the ReSkill Arkansas program is to help unemployed or underemployed individuals find stable, good-paying careers at no cost to you through IT training programs and Apprenticeships.



### WHAT IS AN APPRENTICESHIP?

Registered Apprenticeship is an employer-driven model that provides you **on-the-job learning** and related classroom instruction while you hold a **full-time position**. This paid Apprenticeship Program is tied to a full-time position (Must be able to work Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)

### WHY SHOULD I CONSIDER AN APPRENTICESHIP?

- No prior experience is required to start a career in IT through an Apprenticeship.
- You are hired for a job and start **earning** competitive wages **from day one!**
- You will get **on-the-job training** & gain knowledge from experienced peers, mentors & managers.
- Apprenticeships **help you build an IT career** like college, but without the debt.



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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **Q: What if I don't do well on the assessment?**

If your assessment reflects an aptitude for IT you will be contacted for a Pre-Apprenticeship course. This course can be completed 100% online, and it is provided at no cost to you. If your assessment does not indicate an aptitude for IT work, you will be provided additional resources.

### **Q: Is there a cost for the assessment or training?**

No, the state of Arkansas is committed to reskilling Arkansans, and therefore the assessment and pre-apprenticeship course are provided at no cost to you.

### **Q: Will this impact my weekly UI benefits claim?**

This program has been approved by the Division of Workforce Services as an approved training program, and anyone enrolling in this course will still be able to claim their weekly benefit. Once enrolled in an Apprenticeship Program, you will be employed and will no longer need to claim UI benefits.

### **Q: If my assessment indicates I am a good candidate for this program, how long will it be before I start?**

Once you have completed the assessment with a score above the threshold, the Arkansas Center for Data Sciences will be in touch with you within two weeks for next steps on how to enroll in the Pre-Apprenticeship and/or Registered Apprenticeship Programs. *Please remember that we may experience a high volume of qualified applicants during the initial period of this program and it may take longer than expected to connect you with our team of Talent Specialists.*

### **Q: How long is the assessment and how do I prepare to take it?**

The assessment takes 45 minutes and needs to be completed in one session. You cannot exit and restart at a later time, so please plan to only click 'start' when you're in a quiet place and can answer the questions in one sitting. Advanced preparation is not necessary for this assessment, as the assessment itself is evaluating aptitude and potential for the IT field rather than specific skill sets.

### **Q: How do I get my results and how long will it take?**

The results will be provided to you within two weeks, and a Talent Specialist will be in touch to share next steps with you. Please note that due to the increased volume of participants in our ReSKILL Arkansas program, we are working hard to get all questions answered and all participants contacted so you can be even closer to your career in IT.

### **Q: How do I find my Local Workforce Board's contact information?**

Please start by visiting <https://www.dws.arkansas.gov/contact>.



"I'm doing a SharePoint apprenticeship. SharePoint is a Microsoft program that helps companies build their own websites. ... I started in the first week of April, and the entire apprenticeship is one year. The first six months we'll be earning our certifications with Microsoft, and then we'll be put out into the field. It's going really well."

-- Christina, SharePoint Developer with Affirma

"Like most kids I liked to play computer games. But I also liked to take computers apart, to diagnose them. I was very into the hardware side of things. I loved building and configuring computers. ... started looking at websites and I found the ACDS posting about apprenticeships. This is it, I thought, because it talked about how you don't necessarily have to have any prior experience."

-- Dan, Cybersecurity Apprentice with GlaxoSmithKline

