

# Apprenticeships and Jobs

## What is an Apprenticeship?

Apprenticeships combine paid on-the-job training with classroom instruction to prepare workers for highly skilled careers.

Workers benefit from apprenticeships by receiving a skills-based education that prepares them for well-paying jobs. Apprenticeship programs help employers recruit, build, and retain a highly skilled workforce.

#### Where can I learn about Apprenticeship Opportunities?

<u>Apprenticeship.gov</u> is the one-stop source to connect career seekers, employers, and education partners with apprenticeship resources. Discover apprenticeships across industries, how programs are started by employers, and how to become an apprentice.

<u>The U.S. Department of Labor</u> – DOL's role is to safeguard the welfare of apprentices, ensure equality of access to apprenticeship programs, and provide integrated employment and training information to apprenticeship sponsors and the local employment and training community.

The <u>Office of Apprenticeship</u> within the <u>Employment and Training Administration</u> can help both employees and employers get started with apprenticeship. Information is also available by subscribing to the Office of Apprenticeship's <u>email newsletter</u>.

### What is a Green Job?

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, green jobs are defined as:

- Jobs in business that produce goods or provide services that benefit the environment or conserve natural resources.
- Jobs in which workers' duties involve making their establishment's production process more environmentally friendly or using fewer natural resources.

#### Occupations:

There are many different occupations that fit into the definition of a green job. Some require significant investment of time and money to meet the minimum education requirements. Your term in the Corps may have provided you with a good foundation for a green job.





Jessica currently works for the National Park Service as the Museum Curator at Lake Mead National Recreation Area, a comprehensive solo curatorial position managing the museum program and collections. She worked as a Great Basin Institute Archivist at Yosemite National Park for two years (August 2018 -2020)

Jessica credits this work as being key to her continued career in the field. So far, I've worked with GBI to fund positions for our archeology program. The experience was excellent. Jessica also notes that one of the GBI archeologists has transitioned into a permanent role at Lake Mead, reminding us that GBI is a great foot in the door to the NPS. I've just finished recruiting the first position that will fall under the museum department, and we'll have another position flying this year so if you're looking for archives work keep your eyes peeled!



Training. Opportunity. Connections.

Corpsmember, Miguel, got training, opportunity, and connections during his year and a half with the California Conservation Corps (CCC). Using power tools, doing fuel reduction, and park maintenance helped build Miguel's work experience and expertise. All of this helped Miguel find his new job with the California Department of Food and Agriculture as an Agricultural Technician. Miguel says, *The CCC gave me all the trainings and experience I needed to qualify for this job. The CCC helps you to build great habits and apply yourself for a better future and career.* 



Never did I think I could land a job as a park ranger. Paola joined the California Conservation Corps to get field experience in natural resources. She got that and much more. Paola credits the CCC with installing hard work into her daily life and not settling for less. Her newfound experience with hand and power tools, plus working as a team, led her to her new position with Riverside County Regional Park & Open-Space District. She's working along the Santa Ana River to rehab the riverbed and help those encamped there find resources. Paola says, I couldn't have done it without the leadership of my crew supervisor to inspire me to do anything I set my mind to. And of course, with the help of our career transition navigator.



#### National Service Employers:

A full list of employers can be found on the <u>AmeriCorps website</u>, these agencies/businesses may also be seeking non-AmeriCorps members from your Corps.

There are over 600 organizations in the network, search them by name, type, or location.

