

EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANT APPRENTICESHIP

Program: EAAA

Credential: Apprentice Week Certificate

Delivery: Full-time

Work Integrated Learning: Apprentice Placement

Length: 852 hours

Effective: Fall 2025

Location: Muskoka, Owen Sound

Description

An Educational Assistant supports educators in working with students, including those with exceptional education needs to implement education, safety and behaviour support plans. Develops intervention strategies to support successful student outcomes. Promotes a positive environment for learning and assisting with life and living skills development. An apprenticeship training program consists of on-the-job and in-school training.

Educational Assistant is a trade regulated by the Ontario College of Trades and Apprenticeship Act, 2009. Qualified individuals may obtain a Certificate of Qualification, which confirms its holder has the skills, knowledge and experience that meet industry standards of practice for the trade.

In order to complete an apprenticeship training program in the trade, individuals must become members of the Ontario College of Trades (the College), and apprentices must remain active members for the duration of their apprenticeship.

Program Learning Outcomes

The graduate has reliably demonstrated the ability to:

1. work with a team;
2. assist in implementing the education plan;
3. apply intervention strategies;
4. create a climate for learning;
5. assist with life and living skills development;
6. support the student and the use of specialized equipment;
7. demonstrate safe work practices and techniques;
8. practice professionalism and ethics;
9. reflective practice.

External Recognition

Upon completing an apprenticeship, the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities (MTCU) will issue an individual a Certificate of Apprenticeship. Upon meeting the College's registration requirements, the individual may apply to become certified and registered as a journeyperson in the trade.

Admission Requirements

To qualify for an apprenticeship, you must:

- be at least 16 years of age
- have legal permission to work in Canada (for example, have a valid social insurance number)
- have a sponsor in Ontario

Additional Information

An apprenticeship involves practical training provided on-the-job by a skilled worker, or trainer. The skills or competencies to be developed are set out by the trade's Apprenticeship Training Standard and are recognized by the industry as being essential to the practice of the trade.

As these essential skills are developed, the apprentice's sponsor or trainer signs the relevant sections of the training standard to indicate that the apprentice has met the individual training objectives by demonstrating the skills required of a skilled worker, or journeyperson, in the trade.

To advance to Level 2 of the apprenticeship program, an individual must have completed all of the units outlined in Level 1.

Graduation Requirements

Students must successfully complete both levels to receive a certificate.

- Educational Assistant Apprentice Level 1 - Basic (EAAB)
- Educational Assistant Apprentice - Level 2 Advanced (EAAA)

Graduation Eligibility

Students must successfully complete all required courses as noted below. Further details, if applicable, are noted under "Additional Information" above.

Program Tracking Level 1 - Basic

Program Courses		Hours
EAAB 1000	Working Safely - Std First Aid	21
EAAB 1001	Safe Care of Self and Others	18
EAAB 1002	Introductory Psychology	39
EAAB 1003	The Educational Milieu	21
EAAB 1004	Roles/Responsibilities/Teamwrk	6
EAAB 1005	How Children Develop and Learn	12
EAAB 1006	Positive Personal Dynamics	12
EAAB 1007	Pers/Interper Skills:Anal/Sol	9
EAAB 1008	Behaviour Management	18
EAAB 1009	Developmental Psychology	39
EAAB 1010	Computers in the Classroom	39
EAAB 1013	Orientation Practicum 1	99
EAAB 1014	Orientation Practicum 2	99
Hours		432
Total Hours		432

Level 2 - Advanced

Program Courses		Hours
EAAA 1000	Classroom Skills-Language Arts	18
EAAA 1001	Classroom Skills-Math / Other	12
EAAA 1002	Class Skill-Concr Material/Tec	9
EAAA 1003	Exceptionalities 1 - Intro	15
EAAA 1004	Exceptionalities 1 - Behaviour	24
EAAA 1005	Exceptionalities 2 -Communicat	39

EAAA 1006	Exceptionalities 3 - Intellect	9
EAAA 1007	Exceptionalities 3 - Physical	21
EAAA 1008	Exceptionalities 3 - Multiple	9
EAAA 1011	Educational Assist Role: Pract	264
Hours		420
Total Hours		420

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