


# Earn and Learn Career Program



**Manufacturing.** It's where high-paying jobs are if you have the right skills, training, education and experience.

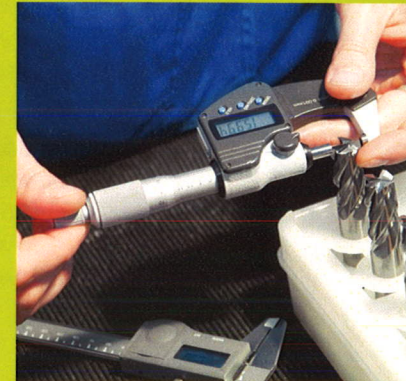
The Illinois Manufacturing Association projects that, in Illinois alone, industry will hire over 30,000 employees in advanced manufacturing positions over the next 5 years – the type of manufacturing positions that require postsecondary education.

Now, you can get what you need to create a solid future with a career in manufacturing through the Earn and Learn Career Program offered by Illinois Network for Advanced Manufacturing (INAM) and Kishwaukee College.



## The Kishwaukee College Earn and Learn Career Program provides access to Certificate and Associate Degree programs in:

- Automated Engineering Technology/CNC
- Automated Engineering
- Automated Industrial Technology
- Precision Machining Apprentice
- Certified Production Technician (CPT)



Participants begin the program with an assessment that identifies individual skills they already have and the education they still need. This allows participants to begin the program at any of the multiple entry points based on current experience and skills.

**Bottom line.** You begin where you need to begin and build on what you already know.

Participants earn stackable, portable certificates and degrees – the certificates and degrees build on each other and are accepted at participating community colleges – while working in industry and gaining real world experience.

The Automated Engineering Technology program at Kishwaukee College offers all the degrees and certificates you need to prepare for high-paying positions in industry, including the Certified Production Technician (CPT).

***The beginning of a new career and a bright future begins now with the Illinois Network for Advanced Manufacturing (INAM) Earn and Learn Career Program!***

Earning a CPT can be the first step in an exciting career in manufacturing, leading not only to great jobs, but opening up further educational possibilities in the field. Students may choose to pursue additional certifications or even begin working towards a bachelors degree in Technology or Industrial and Systems Engineering from Northern Illinois University.

Programs like the CPT have internship experience with local manufacturers built in to the program – participants get on-the-job experience, industry gets qualified trainees on the production lines, and, when the program is complete, participants have a resume that includes a certificate or degree AND relevant experience!

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