# **GENERAL DYNAMICS** Bath Iron Works

# **Shipbuilding Apprenticeship: A Qualitative Analysis**

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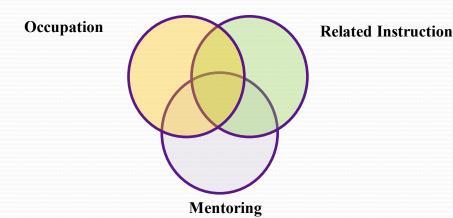
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Deliverables/Benefits/ROI	Financial
<ul> <li>Curriculum/road map for starting, maintaining or expanding a program</li> <li>Enhanced competencies and qualifications of entry- and mid-level new hires</li> <li>Trained employees = increased skills, first time quality, job satisfaction, motivation, innovation, and process improvement</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>\$150k (no cost share)</li> <li>BIW Lead:</li> <li>Dedicated Organizational Development Department Project Lead</li> <li>6 participating Shipyards</li> <li>Austal, NASSCO, Ingalls, Marinette, NNS, BIW</li> <li>American Apprenticeship Round Table</li> </ul>

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## Shipbuilding Apprenticeship: A Qualitative Analysis <u>Prime/Lead</u>: GD-Bath Iron Works





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### Shipyards that have agreed to participate:

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### **Project Tasks:**

- 1. Design Survey of Current Practices in Shipbuilding Apprenticeship
- 2. Data Gathering
- 3. Conduct Roundtable Conference and Follow-Up (April '23)
- 4. Compile Results
- 5. Provide a Final Report

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### **Project Tasks:**

- 1. Design Survey of Current Practices in Shipbuilding Apprenticeship (Completed)
- 2. Data Gathering (50%)
- 3. Conduct Roundtable Conference and Follow-Up (April 12, 2023)
- 4. Compile Results (June 15, 2023)
- 5. Provide a Final Report (Sept. 15, 2023)

#### Shipbuilding Apprenticeship and Workforce Development Survey

Purpose of the survey: To identify current apprenticeship and workforce development requirements, methods and processes, challenges, and opportunities with respect to the following: recruiting, admissions and hiring; education and training; and completion and retention.

#### I. Recruiting

A. Rate the effectiveness of methods used to recruit/attract individuals to your apprentice program

	N/A (1)	Ineffective (2)	Somewhat Effective (3)	Effective (4)	Very Effective (5)
1. Newspapers / Job Oriented Publications	0	0	0	0	0
2. Radio / TV Advertising	0	0	0	0	0
3. College / Career Fairs	0	0	0	0	0
4. H.S. / Vocational School Relationships	0	0	0	0	0
5. H.S. Guidance Couns. / Career Coaches	0	0	0	0	0
<ol> <li>Current / Former Employee Referrals</li> </ol>	0	0	0	0	0
7. Union Halls / Relationship	0	0	0	0	0
8. Company Website	0	0	0	0	0
9. Company Hosted Job Fairs	0	0	0	0	0
<ol> <li>Public Display (Buses / Billboards, etc.)</li> </ol>	0	0	0	0	0
11. Other	0	0	0	0	0

Please provide feedback/details on your effective and very effective methods of recruiting as identified in section I.A

B. Do you utilize any methods other than the ones indicated above to attract/recruit your incumbent workforce for your apprentice programs? If so, please list the methods and provide details for each.

C. How do you determine return on investment (ROI) with respect to your recruiting methods?

## **Apprenticeship Startup Process**

- 1. What is the purpose of the program? What do we hope to accomplish? What are the expectations for outcomes/competencies?
- 2. Is "apprenticeship" necessary to serve our needs? Could we accomplish the same thing with a wellmanaged "training" program?
- 3. What specific occupations would we want to involve in a training program or apprenticeship?
- 4. Evaluating OJT progress
- 5. Considering Related Instruction
- 6. Defining a probationary period for the program in accordance with 29 CFR part 29
- 7. What could hiring process look like?
- 8. Establishing rates of pay for apprentices and working within a CBA
- 9. Drafting program standards
- 10. VA Benefits
- 11. Drafting necessary MOA's to the labor agreement to make the program work
- 12. Establishing a regular Apprenticeship Council

# **Apprenticeship**

#### Related Instruction Minimum 144 hrs per year

**On-the-Job** Minimum 1-year (2000-hrs)

# **BIW Pathways**



#### CTE's and High Schools

- Pre-Hire Training (SMCC)
  - Manufacturing Technician
  - Marine Design
  - Welding
  - Marine Painter



# **The SMCC Pre-Hire Training**

A pre-hires 3-week training class that SMCC conducts to the public.

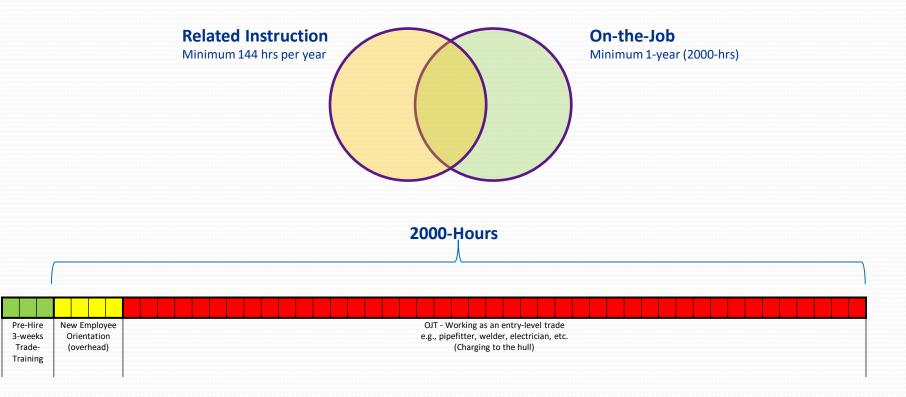


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Session	Date	Instructor	Time	Hrs	Торіс	Location
1	Monday, January 30, 2023	Brenda/Candy	8:00a-9:00a	1	Introduction	MATEC 203
2		Morgan	9:00a-11:00a	2	Safety	MATEC 248
3		Morgan	11:00a-12:00p	1	Print Reading	MATEC 248
4		Morgan	12:30p-2:30p	2	Print Reading	MATEC 248
5		Dave	2:30p-4:30p	2	OSHA	MATEC 248
6	Tuesday, January 31, 2023	Jenny	8:00a-12:00p	4	Math	MATEC 248
7		Morgan	12:30p-4:30p	4	Print Reading	MATEC 248
8	Wednesday, February 1, 2023	Morgan	8:00a-12:00p	4	Print Reading	MATEC 248
9		Andy	12:30p-4:30p	4	Skills Training	MATEC 117
10	Thursday, February 02, 2023	Andy	8:00a-12:00p	4	Skills Training	MATEC 117
11		Andy	12:30p-4:30p	4	Skills Training	MATEC 117
12	Friday, February 3, 2023	Mitch	8:00a-12:00p	4	Resume/Interviewing	MATEC 203
13		Dave	12:30p-4:30p	4	OSHA	MATEC 248
14	Monday, February 6, 2023	Morgan	8:00a-12:00p	1/3	Print Reading/Skills	MATEC 248/117
15		Jenny	12:30p-4:30p	4	Math	MATEC 248
16	Tuesday, February 7, 2023	MEP & Morgan	8:00a-12:00p	4	LEAN Manufacturing	MATEC 248/246
17			12:30p-4:30p	4	LEAN Manufacturing	MATEC 248/246
18	Wednesday, February 8, 2023	Morgan	8:00a-12:00p	4	Skills Training	MATEC 117
20		Morgan	12:30p-4:30p	4	Skills Training	MATEC 117
21	Thursday, February 09, 2023	Jenny	8:00a-12:00p	4	Math	MATEC 248
22		Dave	12:30p-4:30p	4	OSHA	MATEC 248
23	Friday, February 10, 2023	Andy	8:00a-12:00p	4	Skills Training	MATEC 117
24		Andy	12:30p-4:30p	4	Skills Training	MATEC 117
25	Monday, February 13, 2023	Penni/Dewey	8:00a-12:00p	4	Virtual Welding	MATEC 136
16		Penni/Dewey	12:30-4:30p	4	Welding	54 Orion Street
27	Tuesday, February 14, 2023	Penni/Dewey	8:00a-12:00p	4	Welding	54 Orion Street
28		Penni/Dewey	12:30p-4:30p	4	Welding	54 Orion Street
29	Wednesday, February 15, 2023	Penni/Dewey	8:00a-12:00p	4	Welding	54 Orion Street
30		Penni/Dewey	12:30p-4:30p	4	Welding	54 Orion Street
31	Thursday, February 16, 2023	Penni/Dewey	8:00a-12:00p	4	Welding	54 Orion Street
32		Penni/Dewey	12:30p-4:30p	4	Welding	54 Orion Street
33	Friday, February 17, 2023	Penni/Dewey	8:00a-12:00p	4	Plasma	54 Orion Street
34		Penni/Dewey	12:30p-4:30p	4	Plasma	54 Orion Street

# Career Ladder

# **BIW (1-Yr) Pre-Apprenticeship**

A 1-year mentorship program that BIW chooses to call a Pre-Apprenticeship. It's a program where anyone hired from the community college's 3-week Training, becomes registered as pre-apprentices with the DOL, then mentored as an apprentice throughout entire first year of employment.

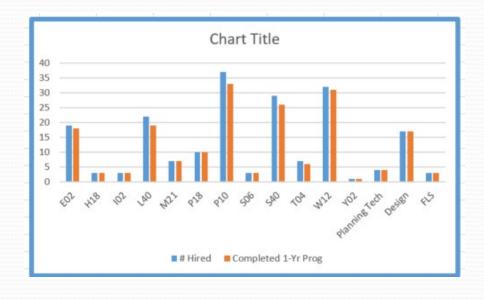


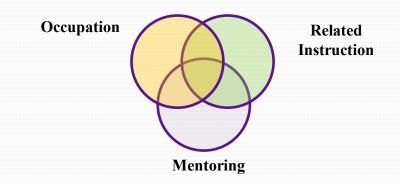
## **The BIW Pre-Apprentice Program**

Hired: 197 trainees from the community college's Training – and subsequently registered them with the DOL as apprentices

- After 1<sup>st</sup> year: 93% of them were still here 0
- After  $2^{nd}$  Year: 87% of them were still here
- After 3<sup>rd</sup> Year: 82% of them were still here 0

	Apprentice Demographics
% Female	33%
% Minority	11%
% Youth (16-24)	16%





# **Mentorship:** The Secret Sauce

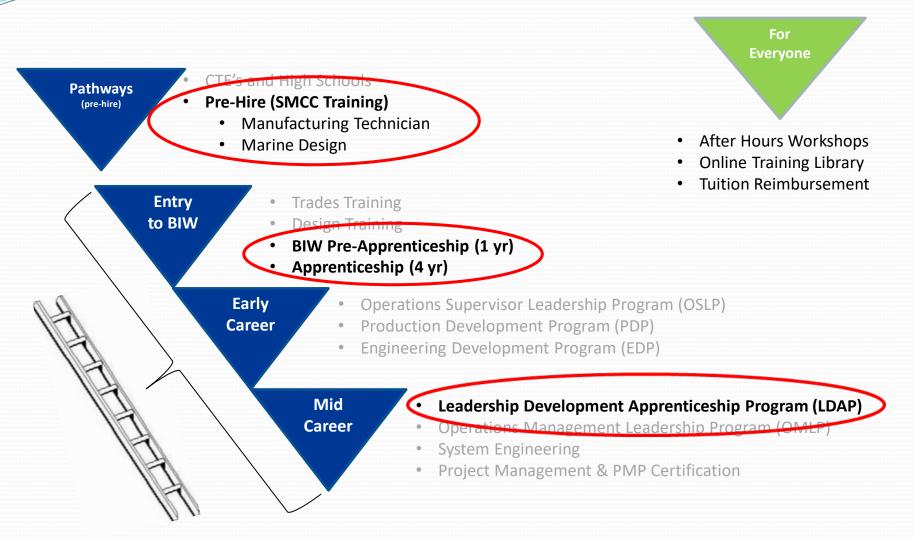
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	SUB-TOTAL				
	PRODUCTION TECHNICIAN SKILLS CHECKLIST				
	Set up and verify the functionality of safety equipment				
	Adhere to all applicable regulations, policies, and procedures for health, safety, and environmental compliance				
	Calibrate or adjust equipment to ensure quality production, using tools such as calipers, micrometers, height gauges, protractors, or ring gauges				
	Inspect finished products for quality and adherence to customer specifications				
	Monitor and adjust production processes or equipment for quality and productivity				
	Troubleshoot problems with equipment, devices, or products				
	Test products or subassemblies for functionality or quality				
	Select cleaning materials, tools, or equipment				
	Set up and operate production equipment in accordance with current good manufacturing practices and standard operating procedures				
	Plan and lay out work to meet production and schedule requirements				
	Install new manufacturing equipment			1	

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# **Results:** Significantly higher retention rates

# **BIW Pathways & Career Ladder**



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Apprenticeship Round Table Meeting:

April 12 – 14, 2023

Hilton Garden Inn / NNS 180 Regal Way Newport News, VA 23602

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# **Questions?**