

## Youth Employment

Helping youth develop  
essential skills

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## What is the *Youth Employment Program?*

The Youth Employment Program (YEP) gives youth and students the opportunity to obtain essential skills through work experience.

Essential skills are defined as reading, writing, numeracy, oral communication, thinking skills, working with others, computer use, document use and continuous learning.

## Am I Eligible?

Employers must be:

- ▶ Licensed to operate in the NWT;
- ▶ In business for a minimum of 6 months; **and**
- ▶ A municipality, Aboriginal organization, friendship centre, housing authority, volunteer organization, board or agency, non-profit organization, business or professional association, or a non-governmental health or educational institution.

Potential employees must be one of the following:

- ▶ A student returning to full-time studies;
- ▶ A youth, aged 15-29, not in school and unemployed or underemployed; **or**
- ▶ A student or youth currently receiving Employment Insurance (EI) benefits or have had an EI claim which ended within the past 3 – 5 years.

## Financial Assistance

Salary subsidies are negotiable within program guidelines and based on availability. Rates vary by region.

## Length of Program

The program duration must be a minimum of 6 weeks, a maximum of 52 weeks and provide at least 30 hours per week.

## How to Apply

Contact your local Career Centre for more information and for deadlines to apply.

