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Skills Up!

Increasing employment-related skills for African Nova Scotians

Skills Up! is a program that offers financial assistance to help African Nova Scotians get the training they need for good jobs.

Who can apply?

You may be eligible for this program if you:

- Are African Nova Scotian;
- Have been out of school for at least a year;
- Not receiving Employment Insurance; and
- Are having problems finding work because you are missing some skills.

Applicants can be unemployed, or can be employed but have less than a high school diploma or without the skills to find a good job.

What types of training is covered?

Courses that train you for a specific job, such as those offered by the community colleges, or general upgrading offered by the School of Adult Learning are included in the training eligible for this program.

What costs are covered?

Depending on eligibility, the program may be able to provide support with:

- Tuition;
- Living allowance;
- Transportation; and
- Other costs associated with your training.

How do I get started?

If you are interested in this program, the first step is to meet with a career counselor through employment assistance services offered across the province. They will advise you on the right path to a great career and help you with the application process.

A list of employment assistance services in the province is available on the Employment Nova Scotia website under the 'Forms and Resources' tab.

www.gov.ns.ca/employmentnovascotia/forms-resources/documents/EmploymentAssistanceServiceproviders_028.pdf

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The logo for Nova Scotia, featuring the word "NOVA SCOTIA" in a blue serif font with a stylized blue and red graphic above the word "NOVA".