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## Career Exploration Overview Woodworking Technician

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### Why a career in woodworking?

If you like being creative while solving problems and can pay attention to details, a woodworking career may be a good fit for you. Woodworkers use hand and power tools as well as stationary equipment to create a wide variety of products for the home as well as commercial spaces. This career path includes creating everything from cabinetry and furniture through windows and doors, staircases, moldings, even aircraft and yacht interiors.

### What is my earning potential?

The employers in this area, on average, start a Woodworking Technician certificate holder at \$17.00 - \$20.00 per hour and a full diploma earner as high as \$25.00 per hour.

### What are my possible career pathways?

There are a variety of woodworking career paths you can follow including working in industries such as cabinet and furniture making, interior and exterior millwork, closet manufacturing and a wide variety of specialized opportunities such as aircraft and yacht interiors, restaurant and store fixtures, and custom stair building. Some opportunities for new challenges and career growth include:

- Furniture Assembler or Finisher
- Woodworking Machine Operator
- Cabinet Maker or Finisher
- Door Maker
- Closet Component Maker
- Architectural Millwork Maker



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## What local employers are looking for woodworking candidates?

The overall employment of woodworkers is projected to grow. There are many local employers offering employment opportunities for woodworking technicians. FVTC and Goodwill can assist with employer connections at the onset of the technical training.

## How much does the program cost?

There is **no cost** to students who qualify for the program.

## Who qualifies for the program?

Individuals who have continued to face ongoing challenges and the lingering impact from the pandemic and who want to launch a lasting career. Contact us to see if you or someone you know may qualify and benefit from the program.

## How do I learn more or get started?

To learn more about the CareerEXCErate Wisconsin program, apply to the program or refer a potential candidate:

- Visit [www.CareerEXCErateWI.org](http://www.CareerEXCErateWI.org) to complete an interest form
- Call 920-204-7002
- Or email [careerEXCErateWI@goodwillncw.org](mailto:careerEXCErateWI@goodwillncw.org)

Don't wait! Contact us today. Class sizes are limited.

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