Atlantic Apprenticeship Harmonization Project (AAHP)

Newfoundland and Labrador is part of the Atlantic Apprenticeship Harmonization Project for the Atlantic Provinces. The project includes the harmonization of ten trades (common processes/common standards) over three years and the development of an Atlantic shared IT system. A shared IT system will facilitate harmonization, provide significant efficiencies for each provincial government and provide better services for employers, apprentices and training providers.

To date, a steering committee and several sub-committees consisting of representatives of the Atlantic Workforce Partnership Secretariat staff and jurisdictional apprenticeship/board authorities have been working collaboratively to develop common policies, processes and standards to harmonize apprenticeship training and certification requirements within Atlantic Canada.

The ten trades selected for harmonization are:

1. Bricklayer
2. Cook
3. Welder
4. Metal Fabricator (Fitter)
5. Carpenter
6. Instrumentation & Control Technician
7. Construction Electrician
8. Industrial Electrician
9. Plumber
10. Steamfitter/Pipefitter

Selected trades were chosen based on criteria including, but not limited to: trade mobility, demand/volume, related trades that can be harmonized at the same time, the age of curriculum standards and proactive industry endorsement.

Atlantic Trade Advisory Committees (ATACs)

In addition to Atlantic Workforce Partnership staff and jurisdictional apprenticeship/board authorities, Atlantic Trade Advisory Committees (ATACs), consisting of industry and training representatives, have been, and continue to be, active in supporting the work of the Atlantic Apprenticeship Harmonization Project.

AAHP Questions and Answers