



# So you want to become an Electrician with WECA

## Apprenticeship vs. Electrician Trainee Program

### A Quick Comparison



#### Commercial Electrician Apprenticeship Program

##### Cost to Student

**\$0**  
+ (books & tools)

##### Years to Complete

**5**

##### Learning Modes

- Onsite at a WECA Training Facility
- Daytime, two weeks per semester

##### Benefits

- Indentured with WECA Member Contractor
- Get paid to learn; structured acquisition of your on-the-job training hours
- Medical, Dental, and Pension Plan, and Life Insurance
- Fulfills educational hours requirement to qualify for State certification exam

##### Quality of Education

- Certified Instructors
- State-approved program
- Quality Curriculum
- Innovative training



##### Getting Started

- Review entrance requirements
- Apply
- Get invited to test and interview (typical wait time 3-9 months)

#### Electrician Trainee Certificate Program



##### Cost to Student

Between  
**\$219 - \$399**  
pay as you go (per class + books)

##### Years to Complete

**4**

##### Learning Modes

- Online instructor-led webcast, two nights a week
- Onsite labs, up to one Saturday per course

##### Benefits

- The freedom to choose for whom and where you work
- Convenient night/weekend class times
- Move through the program at a pace that works around your life
- Fulfills educational hours requirement to qualify for State certification exam

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##### Getting Started

- No entrance requirements
- Become a State-registered Electrician Trainee through WECA
- Start your first course

