

Second Career

Second Career is a government-funded retraining program that helps laid off, unemployed or underemployed individuals reach their employment goals through training and upgrading. Our services provide an orientation session on Second Career as well as guidance and support through the application process that is required to participate.

Eligibility

Second Career could be right for you if you:

- Have been laid off on or after January 1, 2005;
- Are unemployed or working in a 'interim' job;
- Are interested in going back to school to train for a career that is in demand in Ontario.

Suitability Factors

- Active job search
- Length of unemployment
- Education background
- Work history
- Labour market prospects
- Training request
- Experience and occupational skills



Allowable Training

Second Career funds training that will support individuals looking for work in high demand occupations in Ontario. The training:

- Can be up to two years in length;
- Can be occupation-specific;
- Can be academic upgrading or language training if part of a specific skills training Program;
- Must be college-level training;
- Can be full-time or part-time (additional criteria apply if part-time);
- Some restrictions apply.

Costs

Second Career funding may cover the costs of tuition, books, living expenses and other costs associated with the training up to a maximum of \$28,000. Additional support may be available to accommodate the needs of people with disabilities, dependent care, costs of living away from home and academic upgrading. Participants may be required to contribute towards the cost of training.

For more program information, contact MTCU at: <http://www.tcu.gov.on.ca/eng/secondcareer/>.

Be sure to check our monthly [workshop calendar](#) for upcoming information session dates.

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