



## Learn While You Earn With WCG Apprenticeship Pathways

The new **Washington College Grant (WCG)** provides funding for qualified apprentices in a variety of programs in Washington. There are two ways to get money for apprenticeship:

### Washington College Grant (WCG)

### WCG for Apprenticeship (WCG-A)

#### What apprenticeship programs are included, and where?

Apprenticeship is part of an eligible program of study at eligible institutions, such as community or technical colleges.

State registered apprenticeship program sponsors apply to Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) to participate.

#### How do apprentices apply for financial aid?

Apprentices file a traditional federal (FAFSA) or state (WASFA) financial aid form.

Apprentices submit the Apprentice Application for WCG-A directly to the program sponsor.

#### What costs can be paid with the financial aid award?

WCG allows tuition and fees, books, room and board, transportation, personal and miscellaneous expenses. May include childcare.

WCG-A allows tuition and fees, books, supplies, and equipment.

#### How much money do apprentices receive?

Award amounts are based on the college attended and individual student eligibility.

The 2020-21 award amount is \$2,500. This amount was established in consultation with the Department of Labor & Industries (L&I) based on information submitted by sponsors.

#### Who pays financial aid to apprentices?

The college awards and disburses funds to eligible students.

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#### How long can apprentices get money from the program?

Maximum terms of usage is the combined usage for both options, which is 15 quarters or 10 semesters (or the equivalent).