

APPRENTICESHIPS

An apprenticeship is an excellent career choice if you:

- like to work with your hands are willing to serve an apprenticeship for up to five years, depending on the trade
- have dexterity, mechanical ability, problem-solving skills and the ability to work collaboratively with a team
- want to earn a living wage and good benefits

Apprenticeships are available for carpenters, electricians, firefighters, plumbers, surveyors, and many more. Find more information at <http://www.calapprenticeship.org/>

U.S. MILITARY

Branches of the US military include: Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Navy and offer both [Enlisted and Officer paths](#). The military offers secure employment and health benefits, job training, and help paying for college.

The *US Military Academies* offer tuition-free undergraduate education and training in exchange for service in the armed forces after graduation and include:

- US Military Academy (West Point)
- US Naval Academy (Annapolis)
- US Air Force Academy
- US Coast Guard Academy
- US Merchant Marine Academy

The *Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC)* is a college program offered at more than 1,700 colleges and universities across the United States that prepares young adults to become officers in the U.S. Military. In exchange for a paid college education and a guaranteed post-college career, participants, or cadets, commit to serve in the Military after graduation.
