





# ICATT BENEFITS

### **Company Benefits**

- Apprentice becomes a specialist with company specific skills
- Training is tailored to company needs
- "Grow your own" qualified workforce
- ✓ 5 year employee commitment
- ✓ Greater employee loyalty
- Saved recruiting and onboarding costs
- Corporate image benefits
- Internationally recognized standard of expertise (Train the Trainer Program, DIHK examinations)
- Continuous support from GACC Midwest

#### **Graduate Benefits**

- Associate Degree
- No student debt
- ✓ Guaranteed income (salary that increases over time)
- 2 year employment guarantee after successful completion of the program
- Path to continued studies
- ✓ Internationally recognized German DIHK certification
- US DoL Registered Apprenticeship Certification and multiple NIMS certificates (optional)



## **Industry Consortium for Advanced Technical Training**

- A Company Driven Approach to Technical Training -

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# "We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future."

- Franklin D. Roosevelt -

# ✓ Build your own workforce

### Close the skills gap

✓ Secure your company's future

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### What is ICATT?

**ICATT** is a 2-3 year training program which is modeled after Germany's apprenticeship system, designed to meet top industry standards. ICATT combines theory, practice and work experience to build a globally competitive workforce.

**ICATT** uses industry-defined competencies and requirements as well as a standardized curriculum aligned to the German "training profile" in the respective occupation. These standards are developed by teams of highly skilled experts and include comprehensive written and practical examinations.

**ICATT** is a well-rounded and attractive program in which apprentices receive an associate degree, an internationally recognized DIHK certificate along with possible DoL certification and other US accreditations.

### **ICATT Basic Structure**

- A maximum of 15 students per college cohort, made up of apprentices from different companies
- Training schedules tailored to company needs and requirements of participating colleges
- Administration of written and practical examinations by GACC Midwest after the second and third year of training (final examinations part 1 and part 2)
- Standardized curriculum based on internationally recognized German standards amended to US needs and work laws
- 2 year employment guarantee upon successful completion of the training program\*
- Participating ICATT companies agree to provide company specific hands-on training, college tuition, stipend while in school and hourly wages

Learn more about ICATT and available training profiles at:

# www.thinkicatt.com

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### **Services Provided by GACC Midwest**

#### Program development and administration

alignment of company training plan and college curriculum, progress check-ins, troubleshooting, optional DoL registration

• HR services

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promotion of ICATT at high schools and career fairs, collection and forwarding of applications, initial vetting of applicants

- **Train the Trainer program** provision of curriculum and training materials, organization of seminars and trainer roundtables
- Promotion and marketing
  company promotional videos, social media, dedicated website
- DIHK exam preparation and management preparation, organization and carrying out of examinations, provision of training materials, issuance of certifications

### **Estimated Cost Overview**

Start-up fee (one time)	\$ 2,500		
Administrative fee (annual)	\$ 2,500**		
Exam fee	included		
Tuition (varies slightly by school)	approx. \$ 5,000 per year		
School stipend	\$ 40 per day or \$ 200 per week		
Apprentice wages (min.)	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
	\$9.00	\$10.50	\$12.00

If your company is in need of a specific training profile, feel free to reach out to us: ICATT@gaccmidwest.org

\*\*Administrative fee per apprentice, per academic year

\* Should the trainee voluntarily leave the company or be terminated by company for just cause, reimbursement plan of tuition and stipend applies.