

Financial Services

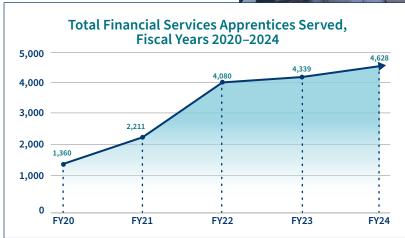
Companies in all sectors of the financial services industry face complex workforce challenges in increasingly competitive domestic and global markets. Registered Apprenticeship is the proven solution for recruiting, training, and retaining world-class financial talent. In 2024, there were over 6,248 registered apprentices served in the financial services industry, a 359 percent increase over the past 5 years.¹

THE NEED FOR REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP IN THE FINANCIAL SERVICES INDUSTRY

The financial industry, including the banking and insurance sectors, is critical to our country's economic competitiveness. The challenge? Significant talent shortages are slowing companies' efforts to expand, innovate, and thrive. These challenges include:

- Finding workers with the right education, skills, and credentials;
- Replacing many skilled and experienced workers who are nearing retirement;
- Investing in talent that can keep pace with the latest company and industry advances;
- Attracting and retaining new talent; and
- Implementing training models that effectively develop and "up-skill" the current workforce.

These workforce challenges impact employer productivity and profitability. The good news? There is a proven solution that can be integrated into existing training and workforce development strategies to meet critical talent challenges: **Registered Apprenticeship.**



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REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP: THE TOP TALENT DEVELOPMENT SOLUTION FOR EMPLOYERS

Many financial-sector businesses across the U.S. and around the world use the apprenticeship training model to recruit, train, and retain workers with the right skills. Registered Apprenticeship has been the most effective training model for enhancing businesses' performance and competitiveness.

WHAT IS REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP?





Registered Apprenticeship is an industry-driven, high-quality career pathway through which employers can develop and prepare their future workforce, and individuals can obtain paid work experience with a mentor and receive progressive wage increases, classroom instruction, and a portable, nationally recognized credential. Registered Apprenticeships are industry-vetted and approved by the U.S. Department of Labor or a State Apprenticeship Agency.

HOW CAN REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP HELP COMPANIES?

Companies in the financial-services sector realize several benefits from implementing apprenticeship programs. Through Registered Apprenticeships, employers will:

- Vet workers and instill the company's culture;
- Recruit and develop a highly skilled workforce;
- Improve productivity, profitability, and the company's bottom line;
- Reduce turnover, improve loyalty, and retain top talent;
 and
- Demonstrate investment in the community.

Partner with the Office of Apprenticeship, a <u>U.S. Department</u> of <u>Labor Industry Intermediary</u>, or your respective State Apprenticeship Agency to access a nationwide network of expertise, customer service, and support. Our apprenticeship team creates business solutions and helps you quickly achieve workforce results.



SNAPSHOT: EXAMPLES OF FINANCIAL SERVICES-RELATED APPRENTICEABLE OCCUPATIONS

- General Insurance Associate;
- Bank Teller;
- Customer Service Representative;
- Operations Assistant;
- Risk Consultant; and
- Licensed Financial Representative.

"Through our Certified Insurance
Apprenticeship Program, Zurich is
attracting new and diverse talent
to insurance and developing these
professionals to deliver for our
customers now and into the future.
We started from the successful
Swiss 'learn and earn' model of
apprenticeship and adapted it to
the dynamic U.S. marketplace."

—Al Crook, SPHR, Head of HR Business Partners, Zurich North America

Explore Registered Apprenticeship Today!

Want to learn more? Visit the U.S. Department of Labor's one-stop source for all things apprenticeship: www.apprenticeship.gov or email us at apprenticeship@dol.gov.

