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## Out of work and searching? Consider work working in the tech field!

The Urban Tech Jobs Program (UTJP) is an accelerated technology training program that is exclusively designed for unemployed adults. The customizable program includes Job Readiness and Resiliency workshops, certificate or license bearing technology training classes, and paid work based training. As a result of graduating from the program, participants will be able to compete for jobs in a high demand and growing industry.

## Why consider working in technology?

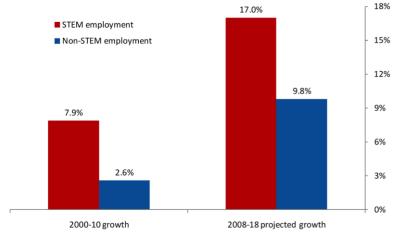
Corporations that hire for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) jobs often have a difficult time finding qualified and skilled American workers. UTJP bridges that gap by collaborating with hiring companies to design and offer trainings for the jobs they need filled.

STEM jobs have the highest earnings projections, highest job growth, and lowest unemployment rate over other industries. According to the Department of Commerce:

STEM jobs earn 26% more than non-STEM jobs

From 2008-2018, job openings in STEM are expected to increase by 17%

Figure 1. Recent and Projected Growth in STEM and Non-STEM Employment



Source: ESA calculations using Current Population Survey public-use microdata and estimates from the Employment Projections Program of the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 1. Average Hourly Earnings of Full-Time Private Wage and Salary Workers in STEM Occupations by Educational Attainment, 2010

	Average hourly earnings		Difference	
	STEM	Non-STEM	Dollars	Percent
High school diploma or less	\$24.82	\$15.55	\$9.27	59.6%
Some college or associate degree	\$26.63	\$19.02	\$7.61	40.0%
Bachelor's degree only	\$35.81	\$28.27	\$7.54	26.7%
Graduate degree	\$40.69	\$36.22	\$4.47	12.3%

Source: ESA calculations using Current Population Survey public-use microdata and estimates from the Employment Projections Program of the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

## **Eligibility**

- Must be unemployed, preference extended to those unemployed for 27 weeks or more.
- Must have a diploma or equivalent
- Must be 18 years or older

### **Program**

- Free classes and training
- Paid work experience
- Job Readiness workshops based on need
- Personal resiliency development workshops and counseling
- Stipends and emergency needs payments
- Choice in preferred technology training program from Microsoft, Cisco, CompTIA, and others

# **Certification Options**

#### Microsoft

- Microsoft Technology Associate (MTA)
- Microsoft's Certified Solutions Associate and Expert (MCSA and MCSE)

## **CompTIA**

- A+; Network+, Server+, and Security+.
- Cisco
- Cisco Certified Entry Network Technician (CCNET)

#### Jobs

- Cable Installers
- Network Admin
- Database Admin
- Information Security Analyst
- Computer Support Specialist
- IT Sales Manager

