

Youth Development Practitioner Apprenticeship Sample Curriculum

CORE SKILLS

- Youth and Adolescent Growth and Development
- Youth and Adolescent Counseling
- Adolescent Psychology
- Facilitation
- Health Promotion/Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention
- Cooperative Learning
- Conflict Resolution/Violence Prevention
- Behavior Management (Stress/Anger Management)
- Group Work, Group Dynamics
- Multi-Culturalism and Diversity Training
- Training on Assisting People with Disabilities
- Knowledge of the Youth Legal System
- Problem Solving
- Role of the Family
- Youth with Special Needs
- Education and Training
- Sociology
- Modeling Behavior
- Knowledge and Interpretation of Assessment Tests
- Training Materials Development
- Speech Communication
- Writing
- Motivational Skills
- Life Skills
- Service Learning
- Community Advocacy Skills
- Conduct and Ethics
- Grief Counseling

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SKILLS

- Job Search Skills
- Job Preparation Skills
- Career Readiness Training
- Career Development Process
- Labor Market Information
- Vocational/Career/Educational Testing
- Career Development Plans
- Job Development
- Employer Relations
- Resource Mapping
- Monitoring/Supervision
- History & Structure of Workforce Development System
- Knowledge of Learning Styles
- Confidentiality (Federal, State, Local Confidentiality)
- Outreach
- Marketing

ADMINISTRATIVE SKILLS

- Basic Computer Skills
- Maintenance of Youth Case Records
- Case Management
- Data Management Skills
- Time Management Strategies
- Teamwork Skills
- Creating Factual Base and Documenting Results



Registered Apprenticeship is a highly flexible training model combining on-the-job learning and related classroom instruction in which paid employees receive technical and practical training in highly-skilled occupations. It offers a proven methodology that allows employers to establish the standards of proficiency required of its professionals.

The time requirements and substance of an apprenticeship training program are dependent on the occupation. Apprentices work and learn under the direction of personnel who are experienced in their professional field. Over time, apprentices are provided diverse and complex training that helps them become highly skilled in their chosen careers.

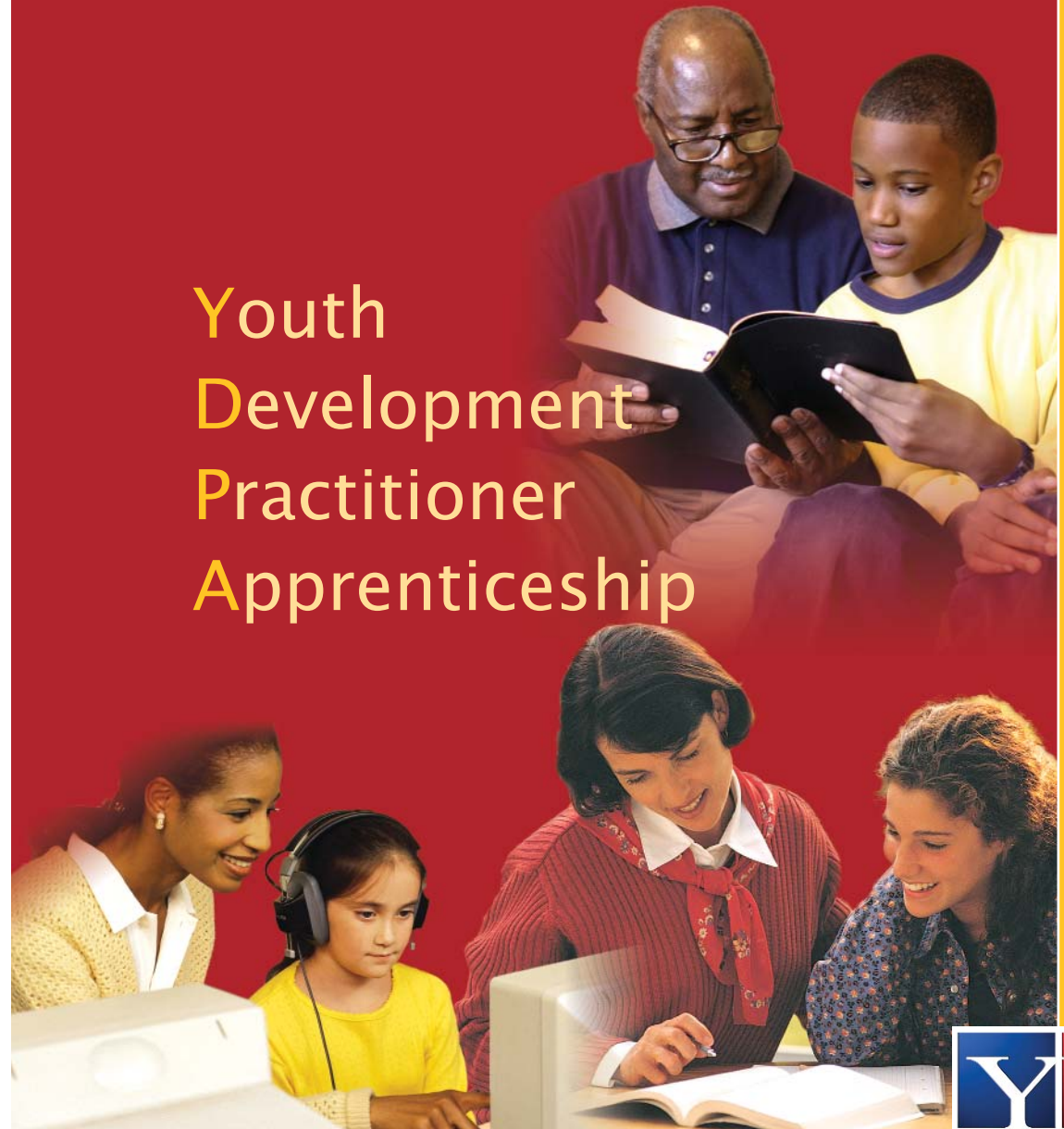


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Maximize Your Career Opportunities

A Youth Development Practitioner Apprenticeship (YDPA) is a career enrichment program for individuals employed, or seeking employment, in occupations dedicated to helping youth realize their potential. It is a great way to build valuable skills, gain essential on-the-job learning and experience, and advance in a rewarding career.

Professionals Who Deliver High Quality Youth Services

On-the-Job Learning
(3,000 - 4,000 hours)

Related Instruction
(343 hours)

National Certification

Build a Meaningful and Lasting Career

A Youth Development Practitioner Apprenticeship prepares you for a gratifying and enduring profession.

- A career ladder offers you a path to advancement and increased income
- Training opportunities help you build valuable skills and increase your effectiveness on the job
- Upon completion of a YDPA program, you receive a nationally recognized professional certification



Help Youth Succeed... in Work and in Life

As a Youth Development Practitioner, you will:

- Assess youth job readiness and personal growth goals
- Assist with job searches
- Monitor on-the-job performance
- Maintain case records, program data, and other statistical records
- Establish agreements with businesses to provide placement and on-the-job learning
- Develop partnerships with non-profit agencies and post-secondary institutions to help youth develop essential life skills

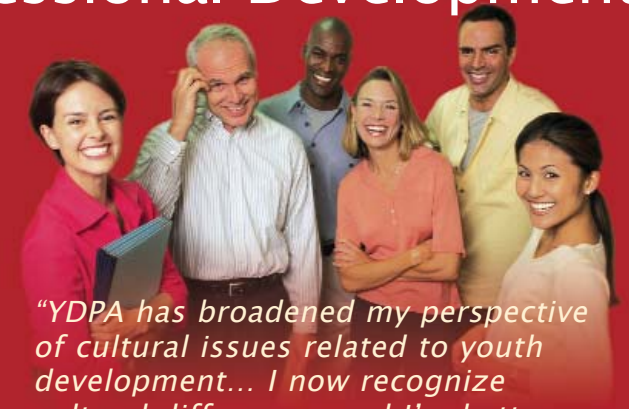


Enhance Your Professional Development

Graduates recognize the value of a Youth Development Practitioner Apprenticeship:

"Through my participation in the YDPA, I have become a better listener. I have improved my communication and listening skills so that I can better assist the youth participating in my program."

"This apprenticeship opened the door to a new career in social services."



"YDPA has broadened my perspective of cultural issues related to youth development... I now recognize cultural differences and I'm better prepared to relate with and provide guidance to people of diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds."