# **Applying for an Apprenticeship Education Program**

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Apply online to start working, learning on the job, and/or attending classes as a registered apprentice. Apprenticeship and Industry Training (AIT) only accepts online applications.

#### **Step One: Gather your Information**

Gather the following information before you begin if it is applicable to you. You will need to provide it during the application process.

- 1. The **name** and **email address** of a **contact person for your sponsor**.
  - Required only if you have a sponsor. You can register and attend classes without a sponsor, but
    you may not begin working in the trade until you have a sponsor.
  - The email address **must** be connected to the sponsor contact person's Alberta.ca Account (formerly MyAlberta Digital ID) for them to approve the application.



- To double check which email address is connected to their account, they can sign in at account.alberta.ca/login and scroll to the Contact Information box.
- If the email addresses do not match, the sponsor will get an error stating "Unable to retrieve application".
- 2. Your Alberta Student Number.
  - Required only if this is your <u>first time</u> applying for an AIT program or service.
  - Look up or request your Alberta Student Number at <u>learnerregistry.ae.alberta.ca.</u>
- 3. Your Social Insurance Number.
  - Required only if you want to be automatically considered for scholarships and awards.
- 4. **Details** of any **prior work experience** related to your trade, if applicable.
  - Employment dates
  - Business name
- 5. **Details** of any **out-of-province trade certifications or apprenticeship training**, if applicable.
  - Province
  - Trade name
  - Level achieved
  - Apprentice ID/certificate information





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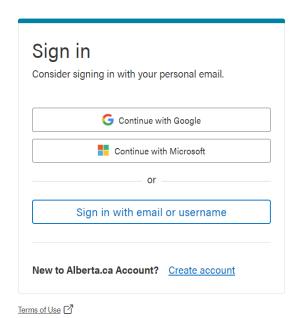
## Step Two: Sign in

Start your application by visiting <u>Tradesecrets.alberta.ca/applynow</u>.

- a) Click Apply Now 2
- b) If you **already have** an Alberta.ca Account (formerly MyAlberta Digital ID), enter your username and password, then click **Sign in.**

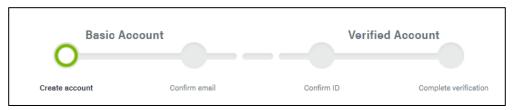
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# Alberta.ca Account



If you do not have an Alberta.ca Account, click **Create Account** to create a new Basic Account first (a verified account can be used but is not required).

- Users now have the capability to sign in or create account with an email address, a Google account, or a Microsoft account.
- This free account allows you to prove who you are online without paper documents or face-to-face
  visit and give you seamless access to a range of government sites and services, while keeping your
  information and privacy secure.







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## **Step Three: Confirm Your Identity**

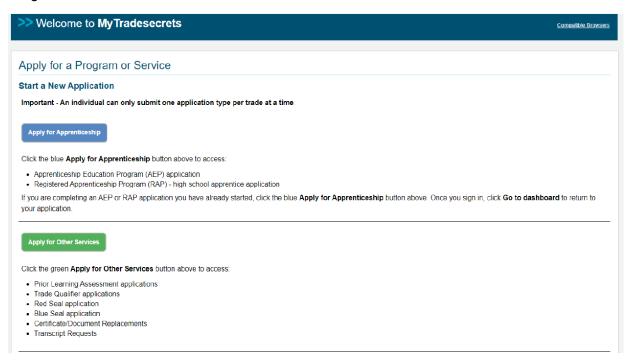
If this is your first application for an apprenticeship or other AIT program of service, we'll ask you to:

- a) Confirm with AIT your Legal Name, Date of Birth and Gender information associated with your Alberta.ca Account.
- b) Provide your Alberta Student Number.

#### **Step Four: Fill out the Application Form**

Once you have signed in and confirmed your identity, you will see the MyTradesecrets Apply for a Program or Service page.

 a) Click the blue Apply for Apprenticeship button to start or continue an application for a standard Apprenticeship Education Programs or the high school Registered Apprenticeship Program.



To apply for any other AIT program or service, click the green Apply for Services button.

If you have any in-progress applications for other AIT programs or services (not including apprenticeship), you can view or continue them under Manage your Existing Applications.

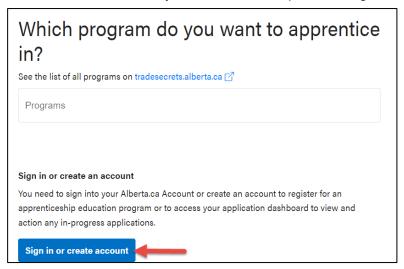




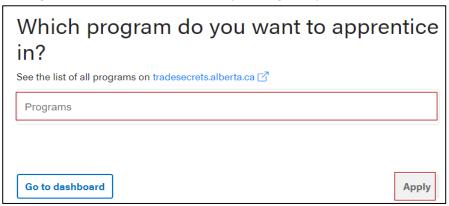
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b) Click **Sign in or create account**. This step will connect your Alberta.ca Account to AIT's application. Since you've already signed in to your Alberta.ca Account, the system will automatically connect to your account. You will not need to enter your username and password again.



c) To start a new application, choose your program and click **Apply.** Or, to view or continue an application in progress, click **Go to dashboard** (see page 6-7).



- d) **Follow the guided application process** to complete all mandatory fields to tell us about your education history, sponsor/employer, and work history.
  - At the end of this process, you will be asked to agree to the Apprenticeship Education Agreement, which outlines your responsibilities as an apprentice.

#### After you complete and submit your application:

- If you are registering with a sponsor: An email will be sent to your sponsor to sign in to their Alberta.ca Account and confirm your application (Step Five). You will not be able to pay your application fee (Step Six) until your sponsor has confirmed.
- If you do not have a sponsor: You can continue straight to Step Six.





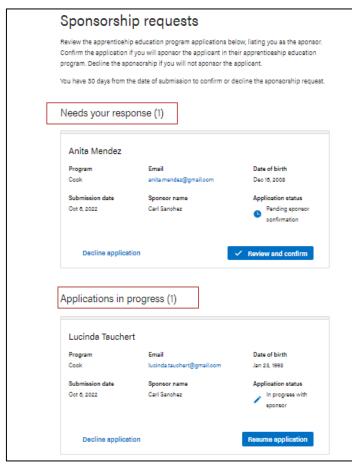
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## Step Five: Sponsor's Approval

If you are a sponsor that has applications to confirm, you will receive an email to confirm the apprentice's application. You will see a dashboard similar to the following after clicking the link in the email and logging in to your Alberta.ca Account.

- You have the option to pay the \$35 application fee during the confirmation process. If you do not wish to pay this, the apprentice will receive a notification to return to the application and submit payment.
- You have 30 days to approve applications before they are deleted.



Needs your response: These are new applications that require your review and confirmation.

Applications in progress: These are applications you have already opened but have not yet completed and submitted your confirmation.





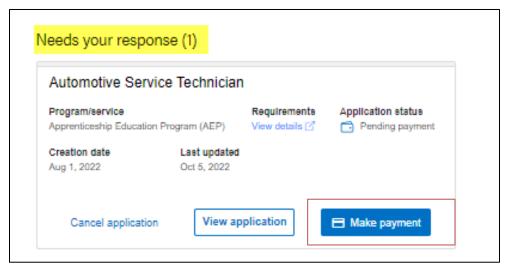
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## Step Six: Pay the Application Fee

If your sponsor does not pay your application fee when they confirm their sponsorship, you'll get an email letting you know that your application is ready for payment.

- If you don't have a sponsor, you'll receive this as soon as you complete your portion of the application.
- Click the link in the email to pay the \$35 non-refundable application fee online using VISA, Mastercard, AMEX, Visa Debit, or Debit Mastercard via a convenient, safe, secure, password-protected source.
- If you prefer, you can visit an AIT Office to pay in person via credit or debit card.
- You will receive a confirmation receipt by email.
- You have 45 days to make your payment, or your application will be deleted.



## **Return to an Application through Application Dashboard**

To complete an application that has been started but requires further action from the applicant or the sponsor to complete, it can be accessed through the application dashboard. You can access the application dashboard in the same place you began your application.

To view your application dashboard, first visit <u>Tradesecrets.alberta.ca/applynow</u>.

- a) Click Apply Now.
- b) Sign in to your Alberta.ca Account to connect to MyTradesecrets.
- c) Click the blue **Apply for Apprenticeship** button from the MyTradesecrets Apply for a Program or Service page.
- d) Click **Sign in or create account** to connect your Alberta.ca Account to the apprenticeship application.
- e) Click Go to dashboard.

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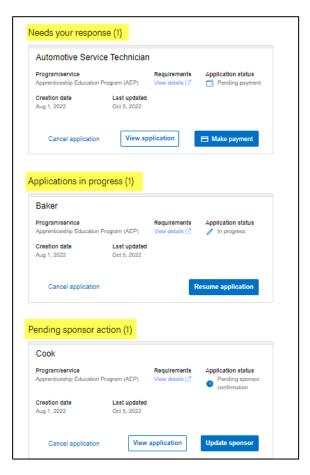




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You will see a screen that may include applications in the following 3 categories:



Needs your response: These applications require further action, such as a payment.

Applications in progress: These applications have not been completed by an applicant.

Pending sponsor action: These applications have been submitted to a sponsor for confirmation.

#### **Have Questions?**

Contact the Apprenticeship and Industry Training Information Line at 1-800-248-4823.



