Do You Like…

... analyzing data?
... organization and detail?
... using basic math skills?
... solving problems?

If so, you may be a good candidate for Job Corps’ Computer Technician career training program.

SKILLS

Learn how to perform the essential tasks of a computer technician, including:

» Installing, maintaining, and repairing computer operating systems.
» Performing maintenance on computer hardware and other associated systems.
» Integrating and operating equipment such as printers and scanners.
» Reassembling machines after making repairs or replacing parts.
» Identifying how software impacts computer networks.
» Specializing in one of three focus areas:
  – A+
  – Network+
  – Security+

EXPECTATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

While on the job, you will be expected to display the following traits at all times:

» Integrity and dependability
» Listening
» Attention to detail
» Problem-solving

And you will need to meet a few basic requirements in order to be hired as a computer technician, including having:

» Strong math and reading skills
» A high school diploma or the equivalent
» Completion of the core curriculum and passing scores on all written or performance tests
CREDENTIALS

As a Job Corps student, you can earn credentials in your training area that demonstrate you have gained the knowledge and skills to help you succeed in your career. Credentials may lead to greater employment opportunities, higher wages, and promotions.

Students who complete an Information Technology training area can earn nationally recognized credentials from organizations such as the Computing Technology Industry Association (CompTIA), the national standard in computer science training and credentialing. Credentials such as these show that students are ready for positions in computer programming and repair.

CAREER OPTIONS

Most Computer Technician graduates go to work for mid-size to large companies that have extensive computer networks or computer repair contractors. Computer technicians typically work normal business hours, but may be on call at night or on the weekends to make repairs for clients or to handle emergencies.

SALARY

The average starting salary for most computer technicians is $37,000/year.

*For additional salary information and career path options in this field, visit www.mynextmove.org.