

Ready to Work - Tourism Careers



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Ready to Work - Tourism Careers (RTW) is a career awareness, skills development, and transition to employment program that assists individuals in finding long-term, rewarding careers in the tourism sector. It is coordinated nationally through the Canadian Tourism Human Resource Council (CTHRC) and delivered in Saskatchewan by the Saskatchewan Tourism Education Council (STEC), with support from federal, provincial, and community partners.



*Participant from
Stony Rapids*

The RTW program offers practical classroom instruction, hands-on skills training, and on-the-job mentoring to under-represented groups interested in transitioning from unemployment and/or underemployment to the tourism workforce.

Each RTW program is customized to meet the needs of participants and the requirements of employers within the community. For example, Entry Level Cook and Food & Beverage Server trainees spend time cooking and/or serving in a mock restaurant under the direction of industry certified experts.



*Table set according to the
National Occupational
Standard for Food and
Beverage Server*

Upon completion of the program, a portfolio of certificates and an up-to-date resume are developed for participants. When they enter the workforce, mentors follow up on a regular basis to determine if any skill gaps exist that require additional training.

Since its inception in 1994, nearly 40 communities in Saskatchewan and just about 3,000 individuals have participated in the RTW program, found long-term rewarding careers, returned to school, and/or moved from frontline to supervisory positions.



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Delivered in nearly 40 communities across the province



- 1 - North Region
- 2 - West Central Region
- 3 - East Central Region
- 4 - Southwest Region
- 5 - Southeast Region