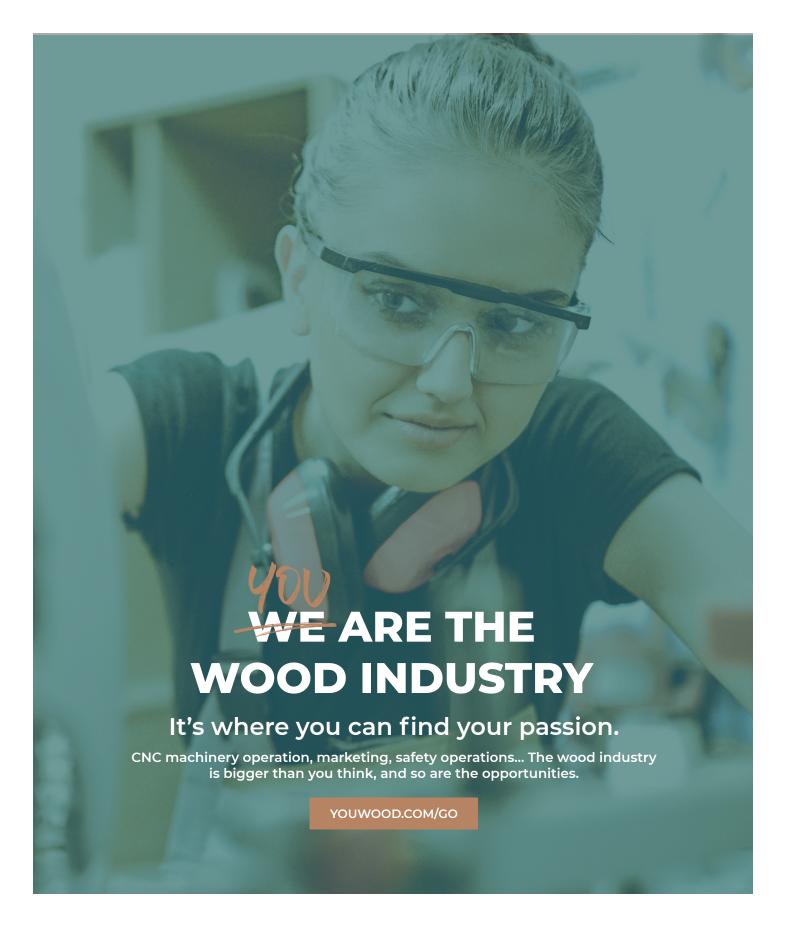




# YOU ARE THE WOOD INDUSTRY

The wood industry is bigger than you think, and so are the opportunities.







### YOUWOOD.COM FIND YOUR PASSION IN THE WOOD INDUSTRY

Connecting people to career opportunities.

### What is YouWood.com?

YouWood.com is a website designed to attract qualified job candidates to the wood industry with:

- Access to continually updated job posting boards
- · Career development resources
- Compelling industry blogs and videos



### Who Visits YouWood.com?

- High school and post secondary students exploring career pathways
- Veterans seeking civilian jobs that value their skills
- Adults looking for growth opportunities or shifts into wood careers



### How Can YOU Get Involved with YouWood?

- Share the YouWood.com website with STUDENTS so that they can learn more about careers in wood and how to engage with the industry.
- Share the YouWood.com website with CTE colleagues and administrators.
- What would you and your students like to see on the website? We want it to be a valuable resource for you. Please share recommendations or suggestions!

Visit YouWood.com/work to explore the site and learn more.
You can also email us at contact@youwood.com with any
questions or contributions.



### WOOD INDUSTRY RESOURCES

www.woodindustryed.org/awfs4ed/



### **EDUCATOR RESOURCES**

awfs.org/education/resources-for-teachers/



For documents and resources on industry and career information and school wood facility info for educators on power and dust collection.



### MEET THE NEW FACE OF MANUFACTURING

Click on the QR code above to watch videos of young professionals in woodworking career paths. Contact AWFS/Adria Salvatore to request FREE posters.

adria@awfs.org or (323) 215-0311

### WoodIndustryED.org

A searchable database of woodworking and related subject schools and training programs. Over 1,000 schools listed throughout North America. Search by geographical filters, type of program, certification, etc. Also includes listings of trade associations and media, industry events, career resources, and other information for students, educators, job seekers, & industry partners.





### **AWFS®FAIR - JULY 25-28, 2023**

AWFSFair.org



The AWFS®Fair takes place every other year at the Las Vegas Convention Center (NV). Over 10,000 wood industry professionals attend, as well as educators and students in wood-related school programs. Special activities are arranged for students and teachers, including:

- A networking session with industry professionals
- The Teacher Track of educational classroom seminars
- A student woodworking competition (Fresh Wood) ...and more.

Registration is FREE for students and teachers.

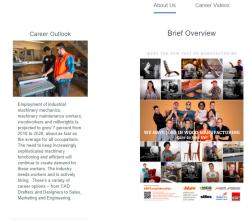
### CUECAREER.COM

Learn about industries and watch video interviews with people in under-represented career paths and industries!



#### **Ouestions? Contact:**

AWFS® Education (323) 838-9440 Adam Kessler adam@awfs.org Adria Salvatore adria@awfs.org



The Association of Woodworking & Furnishings
Suppliers® (AWFS®) Is a trade association with an international,
rporate membership that includes manufacturers and distributors of
machinery, hardware, lumber, plastics, wood products and other
supplies to furnishings and wood products manufacturers.



Most milwrights go through an apprenticeship program that may last up to 4 years. Educational requirements way for sales representatives and depend on the type of products sold: If the type of products sold: If the products are not scientific or technical, a high school diploma is generally sufficient for entry into the occupation. If the products are scientific or technical, sales expresentatives typically need at least a backleto's degree. Most sales managers have a backleto's degree. Most sales managers have a backleto's degree and work experience as a



# freshwood











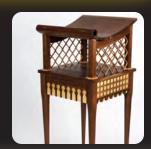


















### FREE TO ENTER

The 2023 AWFS® Fresh Wood competition is open to High School and Post-Secondary woodworking students in North America. Visit d for compete rules and entry information.

### CATEGORIES

- Seating
- Design for Production
- Open

- Tables
- 2023 Special Theme (TBA)
- Case Goods

Finalists and their instructors are invited to the 2023 AWFS®Fair in Las Vegas, NV. Travel allowance, one hotel night, and show entry included. Additional details and information is availble on our website.

**Best of Show: \$1,000** People's Choice: \$750

Category 1st Place: \$1,000 Category 2nd Place: \$500 Honorable Mention: \$250



Nominate an outstanding woodwork student

The AWI Education Foundation Scholarship Program

The Architectural Woodwork Institute (AWI) supports the advancement of woodworking through the next generation with the AWI Education Foundation Scholarship Program.

As a woodwork program instructor or school administrator, we're inviting you to nominate your two finest woodworking students for a scholarship of \$500 – \$4,000. These funds can offset the costs of admissions, supplies, and books to help your nominees reach their full potential as innovative leaders in the woodworking industry.

### Nomination schedule & deadlines

Open nomination and application period | November 1 – January 31 Application evaluation | February 1 – March 31 Recipient notification & distribution of scholarship funds | April

Please be aware that only two nominees per instructor will be accepted.



Visit www.awinet.org/about/education to learn more and apply!



## Two of last year's 25 talented recipients



PITTSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY

Majoring in Architectural Manufacturing Management and Technology & a Minor in Business Administration



PITTSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY

Majoring in Architectural Manufacturing Management and Design Fund your woodworking program

## The AWI Education Foundation Academic Grant Program

The AWI Education Foundation is committed to giving **\$1m** in funding over the next decade to sustain, grow, and better educate tomorrow's woodworkers.

Last year, we awarded over **\$108,000** through our Academic Grant Program. Now, it's your chance to apply for funding to support your woodworking students.

### Who can qualify for a grant?

Any not-for-profit secondary or post-secondary school that displays critical development in technology and skills used in producing architectural woodwork is encouraged to apply.

### Application schedule & deadlines

Open grant application period | October 1 – March 31 Application evaluation | April Notification of grant recipient | June Distribution of grant funds | July



Visit www.awinet.org/about/education to learn more and apply!



Use your grant funds to pay for...



**Technology** 



**Equipment** 



Facility Improvements



### HOPING TO LEARN A MARKETABLE SKILL?

Contact us to find an employer near you that is participating in the National Wood Flooring Association (NWFA) Apprenticeship Program, approved by the U.S. Department of Labor. This program is an industry-driven, targeted career path providing you with an opportunity to gain experience, earn while you learn, and receive a nationally recognized credential upon program completion.

### HOW CAN NWFA'S APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM BENEFIT YOU?

**TWO-THIRDS** of flooring companies surveyed are experiencing a shortage of skilled labor.



Floor Covering Leadership Council study

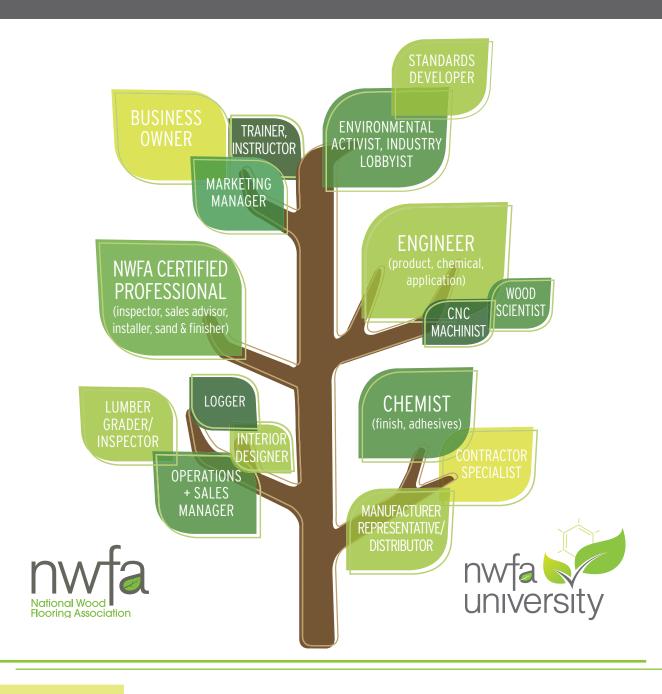
#### **EMPLOYEES**

- Receive on-the-job training with related classroom instruction that will increase your skill level and wage
- Earn a nationally recognized credential
- Connect with a mentor that will instruct and guide you through the program
- Qualify for guaranteed career advancement
- Apply to receive funding
- Earn college credit (varies depending on state)

Find a participating employer near you to start a job in the wood flooring industry that has a competitive wage from day one. Grow your knowledge while working in a long-term position that will support you with structured learning and one-on-one mentorship.

Register for the program at nwfa.org/apprenticeship.

# NWFA University has wood flooring education covered FROM THE GROUND UP



WHY BUILD A CAREER IN WOOD FLOORING:

- The industry needs workers and is actively hiring.
- Students can start an apprenticeship right after graduation.
- There's a variety of career options From logger, to installer, to even sales.
- Wood flooring is a sustainable product and career.













The Wood Manufacturing Technology program at Fox Valley Technical College provides the learner with the skills and competencies needed to become a professional woodworker. The program utilizes the latest technologies while also building upon the basic skill set necessary to be successful.

The program is one full calendar year long with entry points in the spring and fall.

Reasonable tuition and an excellent placement rate.

### www.fvtc.edu/wood

For more information contact:

Student Recruitment Specialist, Catey Frost 920-232-6112 Frost@fvtc.edu Instructor, Glenn Koerner 920-232-6009 Koerner@fvtc.edu Instructor, Mark Lorge 920-232-6011 Lorge@fvtc.edu





### Cabinetmaking & Millwork Program



"The program gave me the confidence and skills to begin a fulfilling career in the Wood Industry" -former Graduate

The Cabinetmaking & Millwork
Program offers a one-year technical
diploma. The program is designed to
introduce students to multiple facets of
Wood Manufacturing. A strong
emphasis is placed on drawing,
beginning with sketching, then
advancing to hand drafting and finally
Computer Aided Design (CAD).
Students learn to work from prints and
specifications, in accordance with the
Architectural Woodwork Standards.

In our world class lab, students learn the fundamentals of working with wood, from planning projects to finishing details. From traditional woodworking equipment and hand tools to the latest computer numerically controlled (CNC) machinery and soft-ware, students learn to plan and process wood in the most efficient manner.

Through partnerships with area businesses and local and state agencies, students can gain practical experience through job shadowing and internships. Career opportunities include positions as cabinetmakers, machine operators, finishers, project managers, engineering and design, and finish carpenters.

The Cabinetmaking & Millwork Program is geared towards individuals seeking employment in the Wood Industry. Our graduates have gone on to become Cabinetmakers, Finish Carpenters, Architectural Woodworkers, Finishers, Store Fixtures Manufacturers, CAD/CNC Operators, and many other careers related to Manufacturing & Construction.

### Course Details

First Semester Courses:	Credits
Woodworking 1A & B: Machinery & Method	ds 5
Woodworking 2: Materials and Processes	5
Wood Finishing A	1
Workplace Safety	1
Drawing 1 & 2 or AutoCAD 1 & 2	2
Laminates 1 & 2	2
Tot	al: 16
Second Semester Courses:	
Cabinetmaking, Millwork & Furniture 1	5
Cabinetmaking, Millwork & Furniture 2	5
Wood Finishing B	1
Drawing 1 & 2 or AutoCAD 1 & 2	2
Tool & Machine Maintenance	1
Surfaces 1& 2	2
Tot	al: 16

### Tuition & Fees:

The current rate is \$141.00 per credit plus supplemental fees of \$11.44/credit. Students should budget approximately \$500 to pay for books, tools & supplies.



### Pittsburg State University COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

Architecturlal Manufacturing, Management & Technology



The Architectural Manufacturing, Management & Technology program at Pittsburg State University provides graduates with an exceptional education in the wood product manufacturing industry, with a "learn by doing" mentality to education. Along with a 5-star culture and state-of-the-art tools and machinery, students receive first-rate support from the faculty and incomparable support from industry partners and constituents. PSU's AMMT graduates receive a one-of-a-kind experience during their collegiate experience, preparing them to enter the workforce and make an immediate impact within the industry. Advantages in taking the program include: having both two and four year degrees, typical class sizes comprised of 15-20 students, graduation rate is nearly 100%, well paid summer internships (many include paid housing), flat-rate instate tuition in 37 states (12-21 credit hours cost the same!), students travel all over the U.S. to conferences & trade shows, and starting salaries are near \$55,000.00.

Students can find career opportunities after graduation in area supervision, assembly, CNC operation, CNC programming, engineering, GM/ownership, machine operation, drafting, estimating, sales and other areas.

The Society of Architectural Woodworkers (SAW) club provides students co-curricular experiences such as social events, networking, service, and leadership opportunities which look great on a resume.

Flat rate tuition in 37 states make Pittsburg State's AMMT program very affordable to most of the continental U.S. Additionally, industry, program donors, and alumni scholarships help ease the cost for many of the AMMT students.

Any aptitude or personality can fit into the wood industry. Although having woodworking experience will help, students without experience have entered the program and have done very well after graduation. Whether your interest is in design, management, preproduction, sales or fabrication, the WPM program will give you the fundamental knowledge to have a long successful career in this industry.





### Setting the Standard for Professional Woodworkers

### **WCA Mission Statement**

To support workforce development for the woodworking industry, which includes certification and training of new and existing woodworking professionals as well as students at both the high school and post secondary levels.

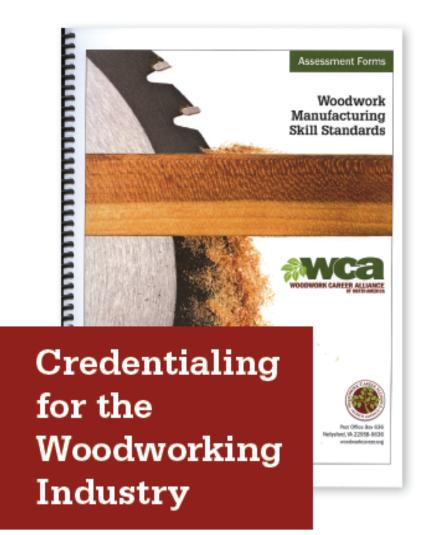
#### **Skill Standards**

The WCA Woodwork Manufacturing Skill Standards are a comprehensive, **industry recognized set of observable, measurable skills**. In partnership with other national and regional associations, educators, and others, the WCA developed and released the skill standards in 2011. The Standards encompass over 80 tools and 300 machine operations. The skill standards were, and continue to be, written by active woodwork professionals and educators inside the industry from all across North America.

#### **Assessments**

The WCA features an assessment process based on the skill standards which allows woodworkers to demonstrate their competency with woodworking operations with the results documented in a national database.

Credentials are earned as candidates are assessed by Evaluators against the skill standards. Candidates earn skill points for each successful assessment. Skill points plus experience hours in school or the workplace qualify a candidate for the various credential levels. Candidates must purchase an Individual Membership and Assessment Credits to participate in the assessment process.





Setting the Standard for Professional Woodworkers

MANufacturing™ & EDUcation™ Member Benefits



"It's in my blood to work with my hands. Being a floor guy is hard work but it's so rewarding. At the end of the day, you see the progress you've made and know you've earned a good, honest living doing it. Once you've learned a trade, no one can take that away from you. There will always be a need for a floor guy, no matter what advances are made with computers and technology."

Stephen King,@sapwoodworking Owner & Operator, SAP Hardwood