Your Path to
Training in Skilled Crafts
Information for Refugees

Vocational training pays off
You should do a vocational training course and learn a trade. This will increase your opportunities on the labour market. A vocational training certificate gives you the prospect of a secure workplace and a good income. And during your training, you are already earning money. So learning a trade will pay off.

Good career opportunities
Vocational training is a good foundation for your future. After your vocational training, you can receive further training and become a master craftsman. And later you may even have your own craft business!

More than 130 trades
There are more than 130 craft trades. Typical jobs are: repairing cars, operating machines, building furniture from wood, cutting hair, designing textiles, or manufacturing food products – not only by hand, but also with machines.

Skilled crafts welcome people with all kinds of interests and talents. There is a trade suitable for you, too. Would you like to learn more about skilled craft trades? Please visit the website www.handwerk.de.

We support you!
- We will prepare you for your vocational training in a skilled craft.
- With us, you will improve your trade-specific German skills.
- You will receive personal support until the end of your vocational training.

You have to fulfill the following requirements:
- You are a refugee and allowed to work in Germany.
- You are 18 or above and do not have to go to school in Germany anymore.
- You have completed an integration course and already speak some German.
**My Path to a Craft Trade**

**Step 1:**
Which trades are suitable for me?

You will get to know different skilled craft trades. For example, in metal construction, power engineering, health care or in the food trade. During the first four to six months, you will gain a first insight into different materials at a workshop and will find out which trades are suitable for you. Afterwards, you will get to know these trades better in a company. In addition, you will receive German lessons.

Programme: „Perspektiven für junge Flüchtlinge im Handwerk“ (PerjuF-H) Prospects for Young Refugees in the Skilled Crafts Sector Duration: four to six months

**Step 2:**
Which trade do I want to learn?

Here, you will choose up to three training professions which you are particularly interested in. You will experience these trades in a workshop for nine weeks. Afterwards, you can choose a training profession. You can try out this trade in a company for four weeks. This is accompanied by learning the necessary technical language.

Programme: „Berufsorientierung für Flüchtlinge“ (BOF) Career Orientation for Refugees Duration: 13 weeks

**Step 3:**
How will I find a training place?

We will help you with your search for a suitable training company and with your application. The vocational training will take place in-company and at a vocational school. Vocational training begins in August or September and usually takes three years.

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Are you interested? Please enquire with your advisor at the Employment Agency or the Jobcenter:
www.arbeitsagentur.de
Information about BOF at:
www.berufsorientierung- für-flüchtlinge.de

You may also enter BOF directly if you have the corresponding skills.
Infos at:
www.berufsorientierung- für-flüchtlinge.de

**Integration course**

- Initial orientation and language
- Get to know skilled craft trades
- Finding the suitable skilled craft trade
- Vocational training in skilled crafts
- Work as a skilled craftsman