

IRA Conference

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Project funded with a Trade Adjustment Assistance Community  
College Career Training grant from the U.S. Department of Labor.

# Path

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- Grant
- Employers' Role
- Community Aspects
- Deconstruction and Building Material Salvage and Reuse Certificate

# U. S. Department of Labor (DOL)

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- Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training Grant (TAA).
- Awarded IGEN a three-year, \$19.4 million dollar grant to fund the Career Pathways Consortium.
- 17 colleges
- 32 certificates
- [http://www.igenc.org/career\\_pathways](http://www.igenc.org/career_pathways)

# IGEN



Illinois Green Economy Network

*A Community College Partnership*

- IGEN
  - A president-led consortium of all Illinois community colleges.
  - Mission is to provide a platform for collaboration among all Illinois community colleges and their partners to drive growth of the green economy.
  - IGEN's vision is the Illinois Community College System as a global leader in transforming education and the economy for a sustainable future.
  - <http://www.igencecc.org/>

# Grant Priorities

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- Accelerate progress for low-skilled and other workers.
- Improve retention and achievement rates and/or reduce time to completion.
- Build programs that meet industry needs-including developing career pathways.
- Strengthen online and technology-enabled learning.

# Grant Program Industries

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- Architecture and Construction Science
- Science, Technology, Engineering and Math
- Manufacturing
- Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources
- Transportation, Distribution and Logistics
- <https://igencareerpathways.org/about/the-grant>

# Community

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- Urban/Rural blight
- Landfill diversion
- Safety
- Health
- Historic preservation
- Job training
- Economic development

# Employers

- Job Site Tours
- Service learning projects
- Curriculum validation
- Enrollment
- Employment







## Deconstruction and Building Material Salvage and Reuse Certificate

- Occupational Certificate
- The mission of the Deconstruction Certificate is to prepare students for employment in the deconstruction and building material salvage, reuse and recycling industries.



# Deconstruction and Building Material Salvage and Reuse Certificate

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- 1 semester
- 7 credits total
- 4 courses
- Earn the Lead Renovation, Repair and Painting Certificate

# Deconstruction and Building Material Salvage and Reuse Certificate

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- First 4 weeks (summer semester)/First 8 weeks (spring/fall semester):
  - DECON 101-Introduction to Deconstruction (1 Credit, all online)
  - DECON 102-Deconstruction Methods and Materials (2 credit, online + labs on campus)
- Second 4 weeks (summer semester)/Second 8 weeks (spring/fall semester):
  - DECON 103-Principles of Deconstruction Assessment (2 credits, online +labs on campus)
  - DECON 104-Deconstruction Project (2 credits, lab on campus or on site)

# Deconstruction and Building Material Salvage and Reuse Certificate

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- Total Cost is ~\$805
- Scholarships are available
  - 2 Scholarships awarded
  - \$500
  - Full or Part-time
  - Need Based and those who don't qualify for funding through financial aid.
  - Tuition, Books & Supplies

# Decon 104 Internship

- Final course is a deconstruction project with a local business.
- Partnerships have included:
  - City of Peoria
  - Local Initiatives Support Corporation of Greater Peoria (LISC)
  - Peoria Park District



# Deconstruction and Building Material Salvage and Reuse Certificate

- Courses offered since Spring 2014
- 21 students
- 8 graduates
- Fall 2015 sessions



# Success Stories

- Participant went on to open his own salvage company and now offers internships and jobs to program graduates.
- Recently featured in the Peoria Journal Star:  
<http://www.pjstar.com/article/20150220/NEWS/150229954/1264>



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Questions or Comments?

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