South Seattle Community College and Seattle Jobs Initiative can help you jumpstart your career. You can get started with short-term training or a certificate and be ready to go to work quickly. And, afterwards you can either continue your training or work for a while and come back to school later to get the skills you need to keep moving up the career ladder. Start planning your future now!

**What is a Career Pathway?**

Tasks & Skills
- Read blueprints or work orders & inspect metal work pieces
- Weld, fuse or solder metal parts together
- Observe strict safe work habits
- Problem solving
- Attention to detail
- Time management
- Operate, control, and clean equipment
- Determine the tools needed for the job

Major employers:
- Architectural & structural metals manufacturers
- Agriculture, construction, & mining machinery manufacturers
- Commercial & industrial machinery manufacturers

**What is it Like to Work in Welding?**

**How Will I Pay for School?**

Workforce Development has special funds and may be able to pay for tuition & books if you are:
- Low-Income / Eligible for Food Stamps
- Unemployed
- Working Parent
- TANF/WorkFirst Participant

And there are many other financial aid options:
- Federal Pell Grant & Work Study
- Federal Supplemental Grant
- Opportunity Grant
- SSRC Foundation Scholarship
- State Need Grant
- WIA Adult & Youth
- Academic Competitiveness Grant
- Community Agencies & Scholarships

*Eligibility based on income, grades, & other factors.

**I’m Worried About Taking the Test to Get Into School**

We have entry tests because we want to make sure students are prepared to succeed when they enter their Certificate or Degree program. If you need to improve your math or English skills to get into the program you want, don’t worry, we have classes to help you!

Before you take the tests, prepare for them. Practice questions and more info are online at: [http://www.southseattle.edu/resources/sas.htm](http://www.southseattle.edu/resources/sas.htm)

CASAS tests will be given as part of the SJI intake process.

For COMPASS testing times and info, call (206) 768-6767

**I'm Interested – How Do I Get Started On My Career Path?**

- **Short-Term SJI Certificate**
  - Contact one of SJI’s partner community agencies in Seattle:
    - TRAC: Patty Ahonen
      (206) 443-9999 • 1001 Broadway #217
    - CCA: Pam Perez
      (206) 322-9080 • 901 Rainier Ave. S.
    - ACRS: Sam Him
      (206) 695-7569 • 720 8th Ave. S. #200

- **Short-Term Certificates or 1 or 2 Year Certificate or 2 Year Degree**
  - Workforce Development
    (206) 764-5835
    Robert Smith, Room 81
  - Academic Advising
    (206) 764-5387
    advisorsouth@sccd.ctc.edu
  - Transportation Assistance
    dkoch@sccd.ctc.edu

- **Aluminum Boat Building Certificate**
  - David Koch
    (206) 732-1479

**What if I Need Extra Help?**

South, SJI, and our partners provide many support services:
- Academic Advising
- Help with Financial Aid
- Help with Books & Supplies
- Transportation Assistance
- Childcare Assistance
- Disability Accommodations
- Computer Labs
- Tutoring
- Case Management
- Counseling
- Internship Assistance
- Job Search Assistance

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