

JOB SEEKER

Success Stories

Testimonials
from recent
job seekers on
**WHAT
ACTUALLY
WORKED**
for them!

**MASON'S
SUCCESS STORY**



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Upskilling

Mason had been working in the hospitality and restaurant industry for years. He felt stagnant and stuck in his career. After learning about a free CompTIA A+ training course through a friend, he did some research and decided he wanted to transition from a bartender to tech!



The Commitment

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The CompTIA A+ course was a 12-week intensive training held on nights and weekends. Mason changed shifts at work. He invested what little free time he had studying. He was determined and committed to completing the training and obtaining the certification!



✓ There are an abundance of nonprofit, workforce development organizations that offer free tech training! Do a quick AI/Google search, ask your network or reach out to us to find a program that matches what you're looking for.

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The Hustle

Mason was at the top of his class and passed the two-part A+ certification exam with flying colors! Throughout the course, he made a point to invest time in **networking** and stayed closely connected via LinkedIn and email with all the guest speakers – including staffing recruiters, industry professionals, and program alumni – that presented to his cohort.



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The Connections

After 6 weeks of consistently following up and staying in touch, Mason received a call from one of the staffing recruiters he regularly touched base with about an entry-level opportunity that would be a great “foot-in-the-door” role for him!

Mason agreed, went through one round of interviews, and landed his first technical role as a **Field Service Technician** on a 6 month contract within 2 months of completing the program.

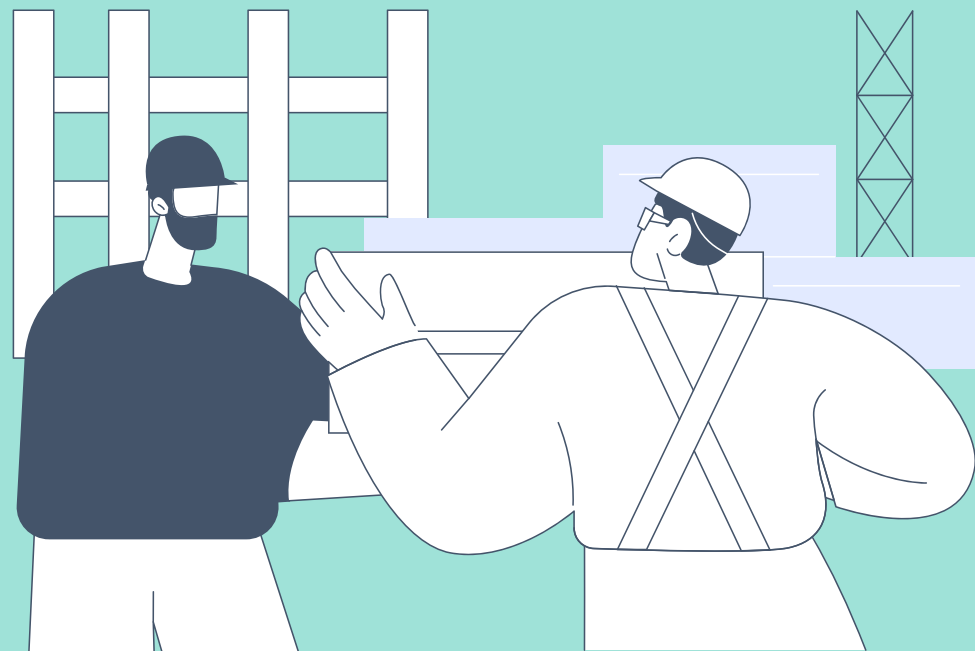
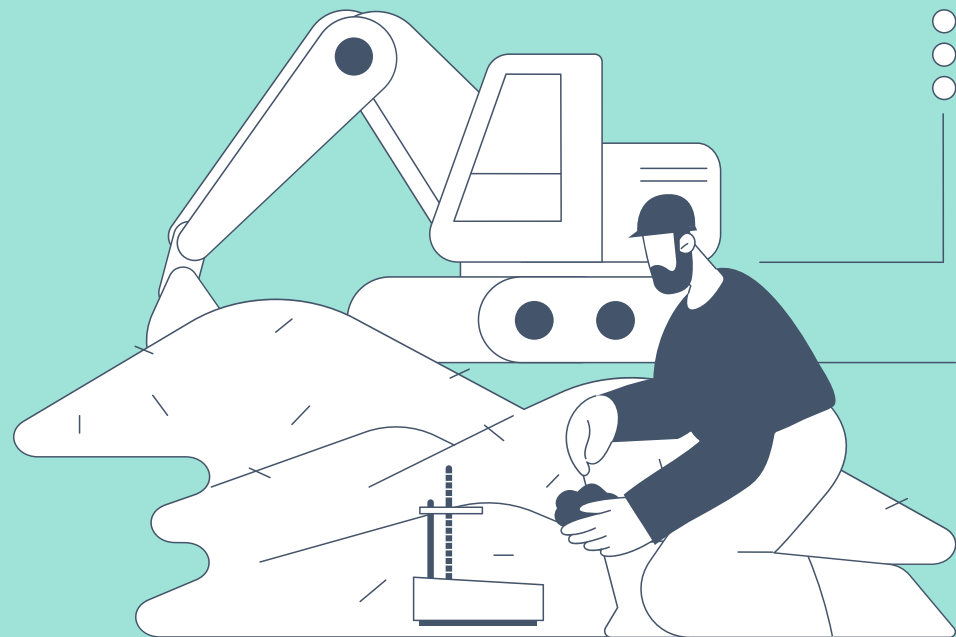


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The Curiosity

Mason's new role mostly consisted of equipment installation, general maintenance and troubleshooting, and customer service.

He was eager to continue learning and growing in his new career, so instead of leaving once his work was complete, Mason asked the field engineer onsite if he could stick around and shadow him a few days a week.



Initiative & Interest

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Mason's contract was coming to an end, but after months of showing initiative and genuine interest, as well as exceeding expectations - he was informed of a new Field Engineer opening at the company and was encouraged to apply.



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Convert to Perm



After interviewing, Mason was offered the permanent Field Engineer role at the company he was on contract with. Within 6 months, he received a pay increase and was promoted from Field Technician to Field Engineer.

Additional Support for Job Seekers

Apex Systems has an abundance of free virtual **Career Resources** and hosts 2-4 monthly **Toolbox Talks** (technical and professional development webinars) with industry-respected thought leaders.

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