

Educational opportunities for participants in the Job and Development Programme

Are you thinking about getting an education? As a participant in the Job and Development Programme, you have access to numerous training and education opportunities to increase your chances of finding work.

If you are considering your options and which training and education programmes might be right for you, you are welcome to contact your employment officer. The training and education opportunities available to you will depend on your individual circumstances and needs, together with an assessment of how the training and education programme in which you are interested would increase your chances of finding employment.

Do you want to study at the primary or secondary school level?

If you are between 25 and 56 years of age, you may have the opportunity to study with study-start support. Study-start support is a student grant from the CSN that does not include a loan component. It is intended for those who need to receive a primary or secondary school education in order to find work. The municipality where you live is primarily responsible for assessing whether you qualify for study-start support.

Participants in the Job and Development Programme who are not eligible to receive study-start support for some reason may be given the opportunity to study full-time for a total of 12 months in a municipal adult education (Komvux) programme or equivalent folk high school programme with the help of sustained activity support (if necessary). You may study on the primary or secondary school level.

Following contact with your employment officer, you apply through your municipality's or folk high school's normal application process. You can also receive help from the municipality's education and vocational guidance counsellors.

Do you want to attend a vocational training programme?

A labour market training programme is a vocational training programme geared toward occupations where there is a shortage of trained staff. There are training courses in several different industries and occupations, and the selection varies based on the needs of the labour market. Together with your employment officer, you review the labour market training opportunities that are right for you. As a participant in the Job and Development Programme, you also have the opportunity to attend a vocational training programme at the folk high school. These courses are available for occupations where there is a shortage of staff.

Do you wish to study at a vocational college, high school, university or at the post-secondary level within the folk high school?

If you have participated in the Job and Development Programme for at least 450 days, you have the opportunity to study full-time for a total of 12 months.

This education is intended to increase your chances getting a job. Following contact with your employment officer, you apply for the education programme through the ordinary admissions process.

Are you uncertain about whether getting an education is a good idea for you?

If you are lacking final grades from primary or secondary school and are considering whether or not you should get an education, you have the option of attending a study motivation course at the folk high school.

Over the course of this three month course, you will review basic subjects, sharpen your study skills, and share experiences with others. The course prepares you to begin or resume a primary or secondary school education.

Do you need to take an SFI (Swedish for Immigrants) course?

Through the Job and Development Programme, you can study SFI for up to 12 months. If you are interested, you can contact your employment officer to discuss a course of study.

Preparatory and orientation education programmes

If you need to prepare for an upcoming training or education programme, job, or other labour market policy programme, the Swedish Public Employment Agency has access to shorter courses in which you may participate.

Compensation

You may be able to receive compensation for your training or education. Contact your employment officer to discuss your opportunities.

Other training and education programmes

If you begin a course of study that cannot be tied to the Job and Development Programme, then you must leave the programme.

However, if you want to study on a part-time basis, you can still participate in the Job and Development Programme in your spare time for up to six months.

Read more here

[Test which jobs and career paths are right for you](#)

[Labour Market Training](#) – Learn more about the Swedish Public Employment Agency’s vocational training programmes and how you can participate

[Occupational Compass](#) – information about the state of the labour market and the future prospects of over 200 occupations

www.folkhogskola.nu – find public and vocational folk high school programmes

www.yrkeshogskolan.se – find vocational education programmes at the post-secondary school level

www.antagning.se – find education programmes at the college and university level

Information about the municipal adult education programme can be found on the municipality's website. There, you will also find is contact information for study and career advisors.

Regulations

The Regulation (2000:628) on Labour Market Policy Operations

The Regulation (2007:414) on the Job and Development Programme

The Regulation (2000:634) on Labour Market Policy Programmes

The Regulation (1996:1100) on Activity Support