

# FREE AND OPEN TRAINING RESOURCES FOR OHIO MANUFACTURERS

There is no more pressing issue among Ohio manufacturers than recruiting, retaining and training workers for short term success and long-term sustainability.

The Ohio Manufacturers' Association (OMA) has partnered with California State University, SkillsCommons to provide easy access to high-quality FREE and OPEN training resources for Ohio manufacturers and their workforce partners!

Improve your local and in-house training programs or create new ones where gaps exist with SkillsCommons FREE and OPEN training resources.

You'll find high-quality programs which can be offered in-house or in partnership with local educational institutions. There's no need to reinvent the wheel. Create your optimum training program by reviewing and customizing the SkillsCommons training materials, developed by community colleges nationwide and evaluated by Ohio manufacturing subject matter experts to ensure quality.

## Many Ways to Search

Find workforce training materials by occupation, by manufacturing sector, and more. Explore the library of FREE and OPEN materials that you can download, co-brand, edit, share and repurpose for your requirements.

## What about Soft Skill Training Materials?

Manufacturing firms recognize the importance of effective soft – or work-readiness – skills. Find materials in SkillsCommons that address workplace communication, interpersonal skills, timeliness, adaptability – and more.

## Materials for Work-Based Learning Programs

Find work-based learning materials in SkillsCommons that address both employer and trainee needs, leading to successful work-based (e.g. apprenticeship) learning experiences.

## Help Your SMEs Become Excellent Instructors!

SkillsCommons has created a FREE and OPEN online mini-course to provide the professional development needed by your industry experts to:

- help them establish a successful learning environment
- develop teaching techniques that engage adult learners
- overcome the 'fear factor' of standing in front of students

There are 13 self-paced modules (10-25 minutes each) in the SkillsCommons Industry Expert to Expert Instructor (IE2EI) Course. This course is specifically designed to help technical experts develop teaching proficiency.

## Resources to Help You Pull it All Together

Short on in-house resources? Let the SkillsCommons team help connect you with technology specialists who can rebrand, reorganize, and remix training materials with your company's custom look and designed to your requirements.

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## Need assistance?

We are here to help! Contact us at [support@skillscommons.org](mailto:support@skillscommons.org)

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