As the clearinghouse for the Eastern Montana Energy Workforce Development Initiative, Miles Community College will work closely with you to customize training to meet your specific business and industry needs at a nearby Montana college, through online coursework, your worksite, or through a combination of delivery methods.

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Participating Montana Colleges

Statewide Workforce Development Taskforce: In November 2011, the Montana Board of Regents created a statewide workforce development taskforce which is committed to understanding the needs and providing users training and education programs in Montana necessary to help support increased business and industry growth. This taskforce is committed to leveraging the resources of Montana’s institutions of higher education to address all levels of workforce development from noncredit to graduate level programs. For additional information contact: Dr. John E. Cech, Deputy Commissioner, Montana University System, (406) 444-0316 or jcech@montana.edu.
The Eastern Montana Energy Workforce Development Initiative

The Energy Workforce Development Initiative is a step toward supporting good-paying jobs in Montana’s rapidly growing energy industry. Recent estimates show that there are around 18,000 jobs that need filled in the Bakken region. The Initiative, thanks to Senator Baucus and the many sponsors of the 2010 Economic Development Summit, is designed to coordinate, facilitate and promote training Montanans in state so they can obtain energy-related jobs in the Bakken region. Currently, many energy companies operating in Montana rely on workers trained at out-of-state facilities.

“This is truly a Montana solution for Montana jobs – because we want to see energy companies and related industries hiring workers trained and educated right here in Montana. This initiative sends the message far and wide that Montana is proactively working to rewrite the cycle of boom and bust,” said Senator Baucus. “I’m pleased to see our community colleges and our state’s higher education system working together to answer our call to action in the Bakken.”

- Senator Max Baucus

Tony Preite, who Senator Baucus recently announced as the new multi-agency rural development coordinator for energy impacted communities, said the new initiative is an important step forward for the region. “I highly commend the Montana higher education community, Stefani Hicswa and Jim Limbaugh for developing this project and also Senator Max Baucus for providing the funding and support.” Preite also serves as Director of University Outreach and Economic Development at Montana State University-Northern.

“We appreciate all that Senator Baucus is doing for eastern Montana. In order for MCC to address the emerging workforce training needs in the Bakken, it is imperative that industry is aware of all that we can do to assist in matching trained workers with the job opportunities. This initiative is one more example of how Senator Baucus listens to our needs and responds to eastern Montana.”

- Dr. Stefani Hicswa, President of Miles Community College

“Montana State University-Northern is very excited to be a partner with Senator Baucus and the other higher education units on this very important endeavor. On behalf of MSUN, I want to thank Senator Baucus for his quick response in providing resources to initiate this important action and we look forward to working closely with the Senator and his office.”

- Dr. James Limbaugh, Chancellor.

Sample of Available Programs from Montana Colleges

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Courses in leadership, business and computer training are also available. If a program of interest is not listed above, please contact us and we will work with you to meet your specific training needs.

Why Stay in Montana for Training?

► Courses are offered throughout Montana at competitive costs.
► Training is offered on campus, on-line and on location at the worksite or in any combination to meet industry needs.
► Stackable certificates and credentialing toward a degree are available in some programs.