The Electric Lineworker Program 2022 – 2023

Welcome to the Electric Lineworker Program at Western Colorado Community College, a division of Colorado Mesa University. In this informational packet you will find some useful suggestions and a check list to help your college journey be less stressful and more successful. Information about the required tool kit, CDL license, and the upcoming orientation are all listed in this packet, along with an application for The Workforce Center that you should fill out. The Workforce Center may be able to help you pay for your CDL license (per certain criteria) which is a huge advantage in your employment and career prospects after you complete your program. There is also a letter to accompany the Career Development Program for The Workforce Center, which has been signed by the Instructor of the Electric Lineworker program.

Contact Information

Colorado Mesa University/ Admissions - 970-248-1875
1100 North Ave, Grand Junction CO 81501

Western Colorado Community College/ main number - 970-255-2600
2508 Blichman Ave, Grand Junction, CO 81505

Nick Reimer/ Instructor - 970-471-0888 -cell
Lineworker Campus - 970-248-1372 (please call the cell number)
441 29 Road, Grand Junction, CO

The Workforce Center for Mesa County - 970-248-0871
512 29 1/2 Road, Grand Junction, CO 81504

Safety One Training International, Inc. | S1 Supply
Ty Fenton, General Manager
1-800-485-7669
www.safetyoneinc.com
www.s1supply.com

I-Pro
Brad Staats, Utility Division
720-785-3642
brad@iprorep.com
CHECKLIST FOR THE ELECTRIC LINEMAN PROGRAM

1. Complete the Western Colorado Community College (WCCC) Application for Admission at: www.coloradomesa.edu/wccc/apply

2. Submit Official copy of High School Transcripts or G.E.D. scores, and/or College transcripts from previous colleges attended to admissionsprocessing@coloradomesa.edu

3. Upon completion of your application and submission of your official transcripts, you will then receive a letter of acceptance into CMU/WCCC along with your student ID number (also known as a 700#)

4. Fill out and submit the Career Development Program for The Workforce Center for your CDL and/or possible tuition assistance.

5. Go to your MavZone, and follow the 'Next Steps' tab to get registered for Orientation and classes.
   ** If living in the dorms, go to Residence Life and apply for housing. Please look at deadlines and dates for move-in times.

6. Reach out to your instructor, Nick Reimer, to visit/tour the Lineman campus, get fitted for a belt, and order tools.

7. Attend Orientation!

Orientation Date for 2022 – 2023 is Friday, July 8, 9:00am-12:00pm at the Lineman campus

During Orientation, you will be fitted for a belt, given a tour of campus, and will have a chance to talk with your advisor.

There will also be Admissions and Advising Counselors here to help with any questions

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Available Scholarships and Grants
*Grand Valley Power Electric Lineman $2,000 Scholarship
   Application Deadline: June 1, 2022
   gvp.org/scholarship-program
*Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative (COSI) Grants
   email cosi@coloradomesa.edu
*Western Colorado Community Foundation Scholarships
   wc-cf.org/students/available-scholarships
Electric Lineworker Tool List

Tool Package for 2022-2023 School Year
This tool package is required by all students, and contains all of the required tools and gear you will need except for the safety toe climbing boot. No used or hand-me-down tools will be accepted.

Package Price: $2,635.61

- Handline Hook with Gate
- Double Back Holster
- EZ Squeeze
- Folding Fiberglass Ruler, Inside Read
- V-Gard Hard Hat w/ Rachet Suspension
- Chin Strap for V-Gard Hard Hat
- 10" Pump Pliers
- Starlight Safety Eyewear
- Tool Bag with Shoulder Strap
- Nut and Bolt Bag
- Klein Keystone Tip Screwdriver with Shank
- Fastback Hawkbill Folding Knife
- Buckalloy Climber Kit
- Klein Adjustable Wrench
- Vaughan 32oz Straight Claw, Smooth Face
- Buckadjuster with All Aluminum Components
- 9" Hard Jaw Side Cutter
- Short Back Mobility Belt
- Leather Utility Plus Wide-Cuff Glove

Line safety toe climbing boots must be purchased separately. The best brands to look for are Hall’s, Hoffman, Wesco, or Whites. All can be found on the internet. Expect to pay between $150 - $500

Required Textbooks
The USDA Specifications & Drawings for 12.47/7.2 kV Line Construction, RUS Bulletin 1728F-804
# Customer Summary

*To be completed by Customer. These questions are instrumental in assessing individual employment needs, and for developing a customized Employment Plan if the Career Development Program's services match your needs.*

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**Are you a Veteran?** [ ] Yes [ ] No

**Are you the spouse of a Veteran?** [ ] Yes [ ] No

**Are you an Indian, Alaska Native, or Native Hawaiian?** [ ] Yes [ ] No

### What areas of skill development do you need assistance in?

- [ ] Upgrade Basic Computer Skills
- [ ] Obtain ESL (English as a Second Language) Skills
- [ ] Job Search Tips
- [ ] Earn my GED (General Education Diploma)
- [ ] Resume/Cover Letter Assistance
- [ ] Have started and would like to complete my GED
- [ ] Interviewing Assistance
- [ ] Training in: ____________________________________________
- [ ] Career Planning Information
- [ ] Finish my degree in: ______________________________________
- [ ] Other: _________________________________________________

**Are you seeking immediate employment?** [ ] Yes [ ] No *(if No, please explain)*

### Top three (3) occupations of interest?

#### Work History

List all jobs *(paid or volunteer)* you have held in the last 5 years starting with your current or most recent job. Please explain any gaps in your employment. *(Attach additional page if necessary).*

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## Employment History

- **Employer:** ____________________________________________  
- **Job Title:** ____________________________________________
- **City:** _______________________  
- **State:** ________________  
- **Hours per week:** _______  
- **Wages:** $_______per hr.

- **Job Duties:** ____________________________________________________________________________________________________

- **Start date (month/year):** ____________________  
- **End date (month/year):** ____________________  

- **Reason for Leaving:** ____________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

Please explain gaps in employment

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<td>Are you legally able to work in the United states? (documentation required)</td>
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<td>Do you have a state issued picture ID? (Driver’s License, ID Card, Passport) (documentation required)</td>
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<td>Do you speak a language other than English? (If so, what is the language)</td>
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<td>Are you registered with Selective Service? (MALES ONLY) (verification required for MALES born after 12/31/59)</td>
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<td>Are you currently receiving or eligible to receive Unemployment Insurance?</td>
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<td>In the last 5 years have you received Unemployment Insurance?</td>
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<td>Do you have your GED or High School Diploma?</td>
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## Highest Credential Earned

- [ ] GED/HS Diploma  
- [ ] Certificate  
- [ ] Associates  
- [ ] Bachelors  
- [ ] Masters  
- [ ] PhD

## Family, Household & Income Information

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<td>Family Status? (Check One)</td>
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| [ ] Independent  
| [ ] Single Parent  
| [ ] Two Parent  
| [ ] Family Member |

## Number of family members (including self)

- How many children **under the age of 18** are living in the household?

- Do you currently owe back child support payments?

- Are you currently, OR within the last 6 months have you or your family received any form of public assistance (Check all that apply)

## Income for the Past 6 Months

- What is **your** income for the past 6 months? $ _______

- What is **your family’s** income for the past 6 months? $ _______
| Young Adult Information:  
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<th>(please complete if <strong>under 25</strong> years old)</th>
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<td>Are you currently attending highschool, college, or otherwise enrolled in any education program?</td>
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<td>Are you 16-24 years old?</td>
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<td>Do you have access to your Social Security Card?</td>
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<td>Did you drop out of High School?</td>
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<td>Have you stopped attending school for at least 3 months?</td>
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<td>Have you ever been arrested and/or convicted of a criminal offense (including DUI)?</td>
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<td>Are you a pregnant or parenting youth?</td>
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<td>Are you homeless?</td>
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<td>Are you currently and/or have you aged out of foster home placement?</td>
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<td>If not a currently foster child, have you been in foster care but since aged out?</td>
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### Partner Agencies
Are you receiving services from any of the following partner programs?

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<td>Mental Health Services</td>
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<td>Social Security</td>
<td>National Farm Worker Jobs Program</td>
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### Follow Up Contact
Please list a contact person who can reach you in the event that we cannot *(a person who does not live in the same household)*

Name: ___________________________ Phone Number: ________________

Relationship: ___________________________

### Certification and Acknowledgement
I hereby affirm that the information provided on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also agree that falsified information or significant omissions may disqualify me from further consideration for Career Development Program activities and may be considered justification for dismissal if discovered at a later date.

Finally, I recognize that a Customer Summary and Eligibility Determination are initial steps and do not guarantee program participation.

Customer Signature: ____________________________________________________________
CDL Training Facilities in Grand Junction
These are the two companies that have been used by lineworker students in the past, and both have great programs.

CDL Certifiers Inc
Provides CDL training and testing services
Grand Junction – 970-260-5136
Information – Aimee Matern 719-225-6784
recruiting@cdlcertifiers.com
www.cdlcertifiers.com

Sage Truck Driving School
Provides CDL training and testing services
2800 Printers Way, Grand Junction
970-257-7243
www.sageschools.com

**The sooner you are able to get your CDL, the better! If you are able to get your CDL before school starts, do it!**
Electric Lineworker Program

To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Nicholas Reimer and I am one of the instructors for the Electric Lineworker Program here at Western Colorado Community College. I am writing this letter in regards to ______________________ and his/her need for a Commercial Drivers License to enter the workforce as a First-Step Apprentice, and Groundman, or any other entry level position at any company that he/she may choose to apply to. It is an absolute necessity for them to obtain a CDL to be considered by an employer for the type of career they are pursuing, and without it, they will not be considered for the position they will be applying for. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Reimer
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970-471-0888