

Joining the Apprenticeship 2000 program was a great opportunity for me to jump into the workforce and establish a career while earning a college degree. Working with Daetwyler, I have gained valuable experience and have earned a college degree in Electrical Engineering. Not to mention, I was getting paid for time at work and school, as well as, having my tuition and books taken care of courtesy of Daetwyler.

I started out in the program with the mechanical pathway in mind, but after a year, I found my drive was towards the electronics. I was then able to study under the Electrical Engineering program at CPCC and join the Engineering department at Daetwyler.

Since my apprenticeship, I have been able to establish myself in the Engineering department as an Electrical Controls Technician. I have had the chance to work on new and exciting projects such as the micro-Waterjet technology. This was a chance to travel to Switzerland for 3 ½ months and covered everything from research and development, to assembly, machine installation, and design a process control system to interface with the machines.

I am fortunate to be able to learn from and be part of an experienced team that specializes in custom controls and machine design. I have recently been welcomed as part of the Daetwyler Safety Team, and I am looking forward to integrating into the team and gaining valuable experience.

The Apprenticeship has given me an exciting job that keeps me on the leading edge of technology, and constantly presents new opportunities to learn and broaden my scope of capabilities. All it cost me was gas, food, and some well spent time and hard work. I would recommend this to anyone who is willing to work hard, gain a college education, and establish a great career.

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