



The Industrial Commons/Western Piedmont Community College Instructor, Upholstery Training Program

Closing Date: Until position is filled

Overview:

Our Upholstery instructor is responsible for training students in basic upholstery skills through a hands-on, project-oriented format. Our course is 96 hours and is run in partnership with Western Piedmont Community College. Upon successful completion of the class, students will be prepared for advanced training in furniture production areas such as spring up, cutting and sewing, frame building and finishing. Our goal is to provide our students with the furniture construction and career skills needed to find quality jobs in the furniture industry in Western North Carolina.

Our classes are conducted at The Industrial Commons' facility at 647 Hopewell Road in Morganton, NC. The format of the class is somewhat flexible depending on the availability of the instructor, but our preference is to hold classes in the late afternoon/evening, three days a week.

Instructor will be adjunct faculty at Western Piedmont Community College and will operate on a part-time, as-needed basis.

Responsibilities and Duties:

Develop course syllabi, outlines, lesson plans and other course materials as needed. We have a textbook, but are flexible if the instructor has a textbook they prefer.

Instruction will include:

- Frame building and spring up
- Inside and outside upholstering
- Fabric and material cutting
- Furniture finishing
- Using measurements and math
- Assessing furniture quality
- Administering tests and evaluations
- Keeping records of student attendance
- And other topics including furniture terminology, workplace safety and reading blueprints

Minimum Qualifications:

Education: High school diploma. Preferred: Associates degree in a related field.

Experience: Five years' experience in Outside Upholstery.

Abilities:

- Work effectively in diverse teams.
- Communicate effectively and concisely.
- Effectively move from student to student teaching at their skill level with hands-on instruction.
- Ability to assess the students' progress and set goals.
- Thrive in a startup environment.
- Be organized and detail oriented.

Compensation:

- Starting salary is commensurate with experience.
- The position will start with a 90-day probationary period

To Apply:

- Complete the online job application on The Industrial Common's website (<https://theindustrialcommons.org/contact/>) and email your resume and cover letter to catherine@carolinatextiledistrict.com

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