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## **Training Technical Professionals**

The Center for Professional Studies (CPS) has just completed training and certifying their last group of unemployed Technical Professionals. Since all funding dollars have been shifted to the Community Colleges and Universities CPS does not see any further activity in this sector.

Since May of 2009 CPS has retrained and certified 255 highly educated technical professionals who lost their jobs in the automotive industry. These individuals were making \$80,000 to \$120,000 per year in salary. After a year of searching for a job using their academic credentials (BS, Master & PhD Degrees) they could not find a job.

CPS trained them in in-demand certified multi industry based certifications. With these hands-on application based certifications they were able to find work quickly in a very difficult employment market. CPS has maintained a 95% job placement rate of their graduates within 30 days of completing one of the programs. These graduates are now paying taxes instead of collecting unemployment.

None of these CPS students took out student loans; in fact, CPS never accepted a check from an unemployed person and granted 18% of revenue during this time to Student Aid for folks that could not receive funding. These are extremely difficult times in Michigan and CPS made a difference.

CPS has prepared a White Paper about their approach and stellar accomplishments serving these types of students and believes this should be the model of training for both the public and corporate sector. CPS would be happy to share this document with anyone who is interested.

## **About CPS**

Founded in 1993 The Center for Professional Studies (CPS) has trained over 7,000 Technical Professionals at 400 corporations. CPS is a Michigan based licensed vocational training institute that provides world class certified technical education. Their courses are constantly being updated to keep pace with the ever changing trends which are monitored by a multi-industry represented curriculum board. CPS's methodology is a fast paced, hands-on approach which covers theory, industry application, then demonstrates them on real life projects.

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