

# E N H A N C E D

## Unemployment Insurance Benefits

If you are collecting unemployment benefits, and at the same time you are participating in "approved" short-term classroom training, an employer internship, an apprenticeship, or an entrepreneurial training program that prepares you for a growing occupation, you may be eligible for:

*A waiver of job-search requirements,*

AND

*An additional 50 percent of your weekly benefit amount for up to 20 weeks not to exceed 40 percent of the maximum benefit amount of your claim.*

### Eligibility

You must be pursuing each of the following:

- ✓ Training for an in-demand occupation leading to long-term employment.
- ✓ A post-secondary degree (MS, BS, BA or AAS) or certificate as long as the training/coursework meets specific requirements for occupational certification, licensing, or registered apprenticeship programs.
- ✓ Training that makes you more marketable and leads to a greater earning potential.

### Not Eligible

You are not eligible if you are pursuing any of the following:

- ✗ Training programs that do not prepare individuals for specific occupations (PhD, AA, AS, MS, MA).
- ✗ GED preparation or GED testing.
- ✗ Training that exceeds two years.
- ✗ Self-paced online training.

### Sign Me Up

To find out if you are eligible for enhanced benefits, ask your local Workforce Center about the *Colorado Enhanced Approved Training Program*.

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