



Directions for Immigrants in  
Trades and Professional Careers

## *Directions* Headlines

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### **Directions helps internationally educated professionals and trades people in *any* occupation in *any* industry**

Are you wondering how to restart your career in Canada? Would you like to work in the same field you were trained for back home? Maybe you need to fine-tune your job seeking skills to find your first professional job? Or perhaps you just need the right direction for your accreditation process? If so, come to Directions for Immigrants if you live in the Calgary area. We are a **no cost** career service centre that helps internationally educated professionals and trades people with their career goals in ***any*** occupation in ***any*** industry. "We help job seekers in occupations from A to Z, anyone from an Acupuncturist to a Zoologist, and every occupation in between," says Karen Jenkins, Business Leader at Directions for Immigrants.

If you have obtained a degree, diploma, or trade certificate from outside of Canada come and meet with a career coach. We will help you design an action plan to achieve your career goals. We offer five different services to support you: the resource centre, one-on-one career coaching, workshops, industry networking sessions, and study groups. "The clients decide how much they want to take advantage of these services. For example, they can meet several times with their career coach to practice cold calling employers, practice for job interviews, and initiate their licensing process in Alberta," says Karen.

Our centre has been open for 10 years and is operated by Bow Valley College and funded by the Government of Alberta and the Government of Canada. Contact us today at 403-770-5155, or toll free at 1-877-297-2553, or [email us](#).

## Congratulations Asif!

Asif recently became an Accounting Supervisor in an environmentally-friendly lighting solutions company. He is an internationally educated chartered accountant with 10 years of experience. He credits his success to developing a job search action plan and accreditation goals with Nabeela, his career coach at Directions. He received individualized career coaching, enhanced his professional networking skills, and attended a LinkedIn workshop. Asif is now pursuing the Chartered Professional Accounting (CPA) designation.

We have a **new**  
brochure!  
To order: 403-770-5155



### Networking and Job Leads

Do you find it hard to cold call employers to find out about job opportunities? If so, get active in your job search by joining a motivated group. In this workshop you receive guidance and extra support from a career coach on contacting employers directly. Sessions run March 12 to April 9.



### Study group for MLTs

Need help preparing for the June 2014 Canadian Society of Medical Laboratory Science (CSMLS) certification examination? Join our no cost study group to help you prepare for the exam. We cover all competencies and provide mock quizzes and exams. Sessions run March 14 to June 7.



### Hallmark Tubulars Ltd.

Fabian Asin, Business Services Manager at Hallmark Tubulars Ltd., presented the company's divisions and hiring practices to Directions for Immigrants' clients during an Industry Networking Session on February 20. "We like to retain our employees once we hire them," said Fabian.

## Workshops Winter 2014

Networking and Job Leads

How to Information Interview

How to Network

LinkedIn

Job Search Strategies



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