READY TO WORK GRADUATE



The four weeks invested in the Ready-to-Work program certainly paid off. That short period of time provided Dan with knowledge, skills and credentials that reassure Canadian employers and save them training dollars - a very useful program indeed.

Dan Beloiu

According to Dan Beloiu, Ontario Tourism Education Corporation's (OTEC) Ready-to-Work is a useful program. With 14 other students, the class size was just right. The instructor was well prepared and able to provide detailed explanations. Dan especially enjoyed the stories that the instructor and his classmates shared about positive and negative experiences in Ontario workplaces. Dan appreciated the theory that was presented, but it was people's real life experiences that gave him valuable insight into how Canada's workplace culture differs from that of Eastern Europe, Dan's homeland.

Dan noticed that employers seem to think that *Ready-to-Work* is a useful program too. During a job interview with one of the program's partners, the hotel manager was more interested in the courses Dan had completed as part of Ready-to-Work than in courses he'd completed during four years of university in Romania. The hotel manager was also impressed that Ready-to-Work included national exams administered from an office in Toronto. Nationally recognized exams give the program additional credibility.

Dan was grateful for the lessons on how to build a professional résumé and the tips on presenting himself at job interviews - both helped him find his current job as a front desk agent and night auditor at the Marguis Plaza Hotel.

Graduate Profile

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Country of origin:

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Arrived in Canada:

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