

Certified Forklift Operator

Associated Industries: Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources | Architecture and Construction | Arts, Audio/Video Technology, & Communications | Business, Management, & Administration | Life, Physical, and Social Science (STEM) | Manufacturing | Marketing, Sales, & Service | Transportation, Distribution, & Logistics

Description and Labor Market Information

An OSHA Certified Forklift Operator certification shows employers that the applicant is capable of safely operating a forklift.

This credential was associated with 71 occupations that were identified as well-paying and in demand. Overall, those occupations represent 135,972 positions with 16,041 annual openings within the state and median hourly earnings of \$28.84.

Sample Occupations

Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators

Median Hourly Earnings: \$21.86

Typical Entry Level Education Requirement: No formal educational credential

Total Positions: 943

Annual Job Openings: 117

Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers

Median Hourly Earnings: \$15.72

Typical Entry Level Education Requirement: No formal educational credential

Total Positions: 7,407

Annual Job Openings: 1,094

First-line Supervisors of Transportation and Material Moving Workers

Median Hourly Earnings: \$25.19

Typical Entry Level Education Requirement: High school diploma or equivalent

Total Positions: 2,220

Annual Job Openings: 260

Certifying Entity Information

OSHA

Website:

www.nationalforkliftfoundation.com

Phone: (877) 442-0687

Local Availability:

Online

Exam Details

Age Requirement: 18

Coursework/Hours to Complete: None

Length of Certification Validity: 3 years

Exam Cost: \$48

Exam Time: Unlimited

Number of Questions: N/A

Pass Rate: N/A

PROMISING CREDENTIALS IN HAWAII

This project has been a joint effort between Kamehameha Schools, the Chamber of Commerce Hawaii, University of Hawaii P-20, and the Harold K.L. Castle Foundation.

Students in Hawaii can earn hundreds of industry-recognized credentials right now. Thousands of students are investing time and resources to achieve these credentials with the hope they will lead to a career that enables them to live and thrive in Hawaii. But how effective are these programs at preparing Hawaii students for future careers and long-term success?

Promising Credentials in Hawaii, a first-of-its-kind analysis for our state, looks at whether the credentials students can earn actually matter in the real world to local employers.

Through intensive labor market analysis and outreach to local Hawaii businesses, this project has identified **137 Promising Credentials** that are associated with in-demand, living wage occupations throughout the state. The process began with identifying **274 Promising Occupations** that met wage and demand thresholds. A list of corresponding credentials for the 274 occupations was then compiled using job postings data. Finally, Hawaii employers from across the state completed surveys and participated in focus groups to narrow the list of nearly 2,000 credentials down to the 137 credentials they say matter most when making hiring and promotion decisions.

The resulting Promising Credentials were identified as relevant in hiring and promotional decisions for multiple in demand and well-paying occupations within the state. A detailed one-page summary of each of these Promising Credentials has been organized for student, school, and community use.

The comprehensive report and associated data can be found at www.HawaiiCareerPathways.org.