

Vision: Grow Nebraska

Background in SkillBridge

Mission: Create opportunities through more effective, efficient, customer-focused state government.

Goal: **RECRUIT** and **RETAIN** talent throughout Nebraska to **SUSTAIN** and **GROW** the workforce. By emphasizing and capitalizing on military veteran talent through internships and apprenticeships of existing and expanding Nebraska firms.

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- The DoD SkillBridge program is an opportunity for Service members to gain valuable civilian work experience through specific industry training, apprenticeships, or internships during the last 180 days of service. SkillBridge connects Service members with industry partners in real-world job experiences.

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- Through the SkillBridge program, industry partners benefit by gaining early access to the extensive experience, skills, and
- unmatched work ethos Service members bring to the workforce. Employers craft SkillBridge programs to meet their
- specific needs, matching those needs to the skills and abilities of highly motivated Service members, all **at no cost**.

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- Service members participating in SkillBridge continue to receive their military compensation and benefits while in the program, and industry partners provide the training and work experience

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- Separating Service members can be granted up to 180 days to focus solely on training full-time with approved industry
- partners. These industry partners offer real-world training and work experience in in-demand fields of work while having
- the opportunity to evaluate the Service member's suitability for the work. The Department of Economic Development is
- available to assist our Nebraska employers in learning more about SkillBridge.
- Additional information is available at dodskillbridge.usalearning.gov or you can contact Nichole Reiner
- (Nichole.reiner@nebraska.gov) or Trevon Brooks (Trevon.brooks@nebraska.gov) with the Nebraska Department of
- Economic Development for more information

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- **Types of Available Talent**
- IT/Software Management Medical Fields
- HR/ Administrative Skilled Trades Training
- Data Specialists Operations Logistics
- And more career opportunities being added

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- SkillBridge is also open to members of the National Guard and Reserve, and commanders can authorize participation in programs more than 50 miles from their duty stations. If the hundreds of existing partner organizations aren't enough, **service members can also ask businesses to apply to become industry partners and support their internships.**
- **Contact your Transition Office for details on qualifications**