

BRANDS FOR CANADA EDGE



95%

of clients would recommend the EDGE Program to other job seekers

80%

of clients received interviews and job placement opportunities

90%

of clients improved their soft skills

The EDGE Program is one of Canada's most comprehensive job training and employment retention programs, assisting individuals living with disabilities to gain and sustain competitive employment. The EDGE Program also offers exclusive, long-term support to employers with hiring, on-boarding and retaining employment of individuals living with disabilities.

The EDGE program consists of three parts:

Soft-skills training program (live, or self-paced virtual)

Over the course of four weeks, participants build professional and life skills in these areas:

- Mindfulness, social/emotional intelligence & social skills (EQ)
- Emotional regulation
- Relationships, communication & conflict resolution
- Disability rights & managing disabilities in the workplace
- Tools and techniques for managing stress
- The self-paced virtual program can be completed at the participants' own pace, over 2-3 weeks with morning and afternoon check-in with a facilitator

Job development & capacity building program

Supports included (3 years):

- Career exploration and career path development
- Resume & cover letter preparation
- Job search workshops and support
- Curated job postings
- Introductions to employer partners
- Workshops to support personal and professional development
- Professional networking events
- Referrals to partner agencies to access additional resources/supports
- Support to embark on opportunities for new employment, or growth in existing employment

Job retention & professional development program

Supports included (3 years):

- One-on-one work with a job coach
- Support with developing and facilitating the implementation of accommodations plans
- Career path development
- Mediated discussions with employer (as-needed)
- Advisory and support to embark on professional growth opportunities
- Access to EDGE retention workshop series (specifically designed to support employed individuals living with disabilities)

Program eligibility criteria:

Clients must identify as living with a disability

Clients must be ready and dedicated to securing employment within 3-6 months

May self-identify as living with a disability of any kind. Individual does not need to be receiving ODSP income supports, or other disability related income supports

Clients who self-identify as living with a disability will be asked to coordinate the completion of a "Verification of Disability" form with their medical professional

Legally eligible to work in Canada

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