

Apprenticeship

Learning by Doing

The reality program *The Apprentice* has been on the air for seven years, but the concept is centuries old. Apprenticeship was an accepted method of learning a skill. For instance, Leonardo da Vinci apprenticed out at age 14 to a famous artist.

An aspiring entrepreneur might consider the idea to learn about an industry through personal observation and on-the-job training. There are many established apprenticeship programs, but independently finding a veteran business owner willing to teach an assistant is an idea worth serious consideration.

References

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