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I am an

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apprentice



meet

Jaime Alfaro

Journey-level Roofer & Waterproofer

What apprenticeship program did you complete?

I completed the OR SW-WA Roofers and Waterproofers JATC (MA 1050) Roofing & Waterproofing program.

How long was your apprenticeship?

It was a four year program.

When did you go to school and did you have to pay for the schooling?

I went to class four weeks per year for four years. I paid \$1400 dollars for my tuition in weekly increments of \$20. My apprenticeship committee paid for the rest.

Do you like building or fixing things and working with tools?

Absolutely, I love working on my own projects at home. My tools are very important to me.

Why did you apply for the apprenticeship program?

Because it was such a good opportunity.

Tell us something new that you learned or gained from your program?

I learned the value of teamwork. As a roofer it is important to work as a group.

Name one thing that you wish you would have known prior to starting your apprenticeship?

I wish I would have known about sitting in class. I am so used to being outside and being active in my work, sitting down for forty hours was a challenge. I learned ways to adapt, being very active before class and releasing my energy - that helped!

Is this the career path you saw yourself in?

No, I wanted to be a police officer when I was younger.

Do you have family in the trades?

Yes, a lot of my cousins work in construction. One is a roofer, that is how I learned about roofing.

Can you think of any projects you worked on that you are proud of?

There are so many. I worked on PGE park, The Moda Center and Oregon State University.

Do you have a background in the trades?

Yes, I started working in construction when I was about 17.

Is there anything you would like to share with a future apprentice seeker?

Finish school! If you really want to become a roofer, work hard. It is possible to be somebody you are proud of.

Would you refer friends or family members to the trades?

I already have and will continue to do so. There is good money in the trades, plus you have a good career and are constantly learning.

On a scale of 1 to 10, how happy/content are you with your career as a roofer?

I would say 10, I get to work outside and go places I never imagined possible. I am very happy.

