# **CONCRETE FINISHER**

### DESCRIPTION

Concrete finishers play an essential role in our day to day lives as they install, maintain and restore floors, ceilings, sidewalks and roads. If you want to work in this important career, you will repair concrete, apply surface treatment and repair concrete structures.

# **SKILLS**

- Read and interpret documents, work with numbers to perform calculations
- Problem solving skills to provide solutions to challenges
- Ability to stand or kneel for long periods
- Ability to lift heavy materials and work long hours

### **DUTIES**

- Level top surface of concrete drives, curbs or sidewalks
- Operate a power vibrator to compress concrete apply and seal concrete surface
- Polishing surface using a power surfacing machine
- Install fixtures into freshly poured concrete
- Molding and constructing expansion joints using joiners and edging tools
- Set the forms that hold concrete to the desired pitch and depth, and align them

### **EDUCATION**

- Completion of high school is required
- Completion of an apprenticeship

### RELATED PATHWAY OPTIONS

Concrete Form Setter

Concrete Pump Operator

SALARY RANGE \$50,300 to \$95,000

# OCCA Ontario Construction Careers Alliance

### WHERE TO TRAIN

**LIUNA LOCAL 183 CEMENT FINISHER** 

**LIUNA LOCAL 506 CONCRETE FINISHER** 

### **OTHER OPTIONS**

GEORGE BROWN CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION

CEMENT FINISHING LABOUR RELATIONS ASSOCIATION

### **GETTING STARTED**

# THE OCCA CAN HELP YOU EXPLORE THESE THREE PATHWAYS:

- You can begin by applying for a job directly in the Construction Industry. Once you begin working with a Construction Company or Contractor you will quickly gain the necessary skills needed to advance yourself through in-house, work-as-you-learn training.
- You can get started through an apprenticeship program by combining on the job training with technical in-class training, gaining experience and increased responsibility. You can work in the industry, get paid, and work towards earning credits.
- You can enroll in a University, Community College or a Private Technical School to study and prepare yourself for a Career in Construction. All of this information may be found through our website.



