

## Self Employment Assistance Program (SEAP)

The Self-Employment Assistance Program (SEAP) is a unique opportunity for you to enter into self-employment entrepreneurial training and receive business counseling while you collect unemployment benefits. If you qualify and enroll in an approved training program, you do not have to look for other work while in this program. The Self-Employment Assistance Program (SEAP) does not pay for books, tuition or school-related fees, and it does not extend the number of weeks that you can collect unemployment benefits. Therefore, you are responsible for any financial planning needed to complete the training program. Some training providers may offer financial aid, grants or business start-up funds to assist you.

**Eligibility requirements** To be eligible for the Self-Employment Assistance Program (SEAP), you must:

Qualify for regular unemployment benefits.

Receive an eligibility letter that identifies you as likely to run out of regular unemployment benefits before you find a new job.

Enroll in a training program that is approved by the Employment Security Department's commissioner.

### GRCC Approved Training Courses

12 Week NxLevel Entrepreneur Course

How to Start a Small Business Series

- Small Business Start-Up and Management
- Small Business Marketing
- Small Business Financial Management
- Developing a Business Plan

**GRCC Application process** To apply for the Self-Employment Assistance Program (SEAP), you must:

1. Receive notification that you are eligible to participate in the program.
2. Complete the SEAP Application
3. Register [www.greenriver.edu/ce](http://www.greenriver.edu/ce) and pay for one of the approved courses above
4. Bring your completed SEAP application in to one of the GRCC campuses for one of the training providers to complete and sign the Program Provider Certification section on the application.

SEAP's Website – <http://www.esd.wa.gov/uibenefits/specialservices/training/self-employment-assistance-program.php>

FAQs about the SEAP program – <http://www.esd.wa.gov/uibenefits/faq/faq-seap.php>