

Randall McLaughlin
Nominated by: Shawnee Development Council, Inc.
Case Manager: Tiana Reeves

Randall McLaughlin came to the Shawnee Development Council office in March 2010 to apply for services. The father of four had been unemployed for two years since his employer of over 13 years had closed. The family had relocated to Johnson County from Michigan and Randall had been unable to secure employment.



Randall was interested in enrolling at Southern Illinois University to study Technical Resource Management. His academic advisor indicated that he could complete the program in 51 credit hours. Randall's TABE scores, combined with previous college credits strongly supported his abilities to successfully complete the program. Randall enrolled in classes for the summer semester.

While attending SIU, Randall maintained a high G.P.A. while pursuing a series of demanding coursework and regularly achieved the Dean's List. He graduated on May 12, 2012 with a Bachelor of Science degree. Randall was also a participant in the Title V partner program for individuals 55 and over. He worked a series of placements in local government offices and proved to be a very diligent worker.

On August 2, 2014, Randall was hired by Shawnee Development Council as a program assistant in the C.S.B.G. department. He exhibited strong work ethic and easily grasped program requirements while assisting in the administrative offices and staffing county outreach offices. Randall has been hired in a new position and will begin work in Shawnee Development Council's W.I.O.A. office as a career planner/job developer on November 16, 2015.

Congratulations Randall on your hard work, initiative and success!