



**\$67,000 per year,
a degree, and
NO college expenses!**



**Could you have
a better start
to your career?**



It's true – first-year pipe fitter journeymen from Local Union 597, the largest pipe fitter union in the country, can make over \$67,000 working a standard 40-hour week.

And, instead of owing \$25,000 or more to attend a university, Local Union 597 apprentices begin earning \$27,000 per year *while they learn*, and advance in their careers faster than many Business Administration graduates. A fifth-year apprentice earns \$29.00 per hour, over \$58,000 annually, with benefits.

The pipe fitting apprenticeship is a five-year program and apprentices can earn an Associates Degree of Applied Science in Apprenticeship Pipe Fitting by taking just three extra courses. They have the opportunity to complete their training, *with a degree*, at **NO COST** to them. The degree translates to a \$5000 scholarship – the cost of a comparable Associates Degree.

Pipe fitters work everywhere – in refineries, hospitals, food processing plants, nuclear powerhouses – everywhere there's piping, and everywhere there's heating, cooling and air conditioning. From bending of pipe, to CAD drawing and computer estimating, pipe fitters are always in demand.

EARNING POWER



- Journeyman Pipe Fitter
Based on 3% wage growth
- - - Business Administration
Graduate in Chicago
Based on 4% wage growth

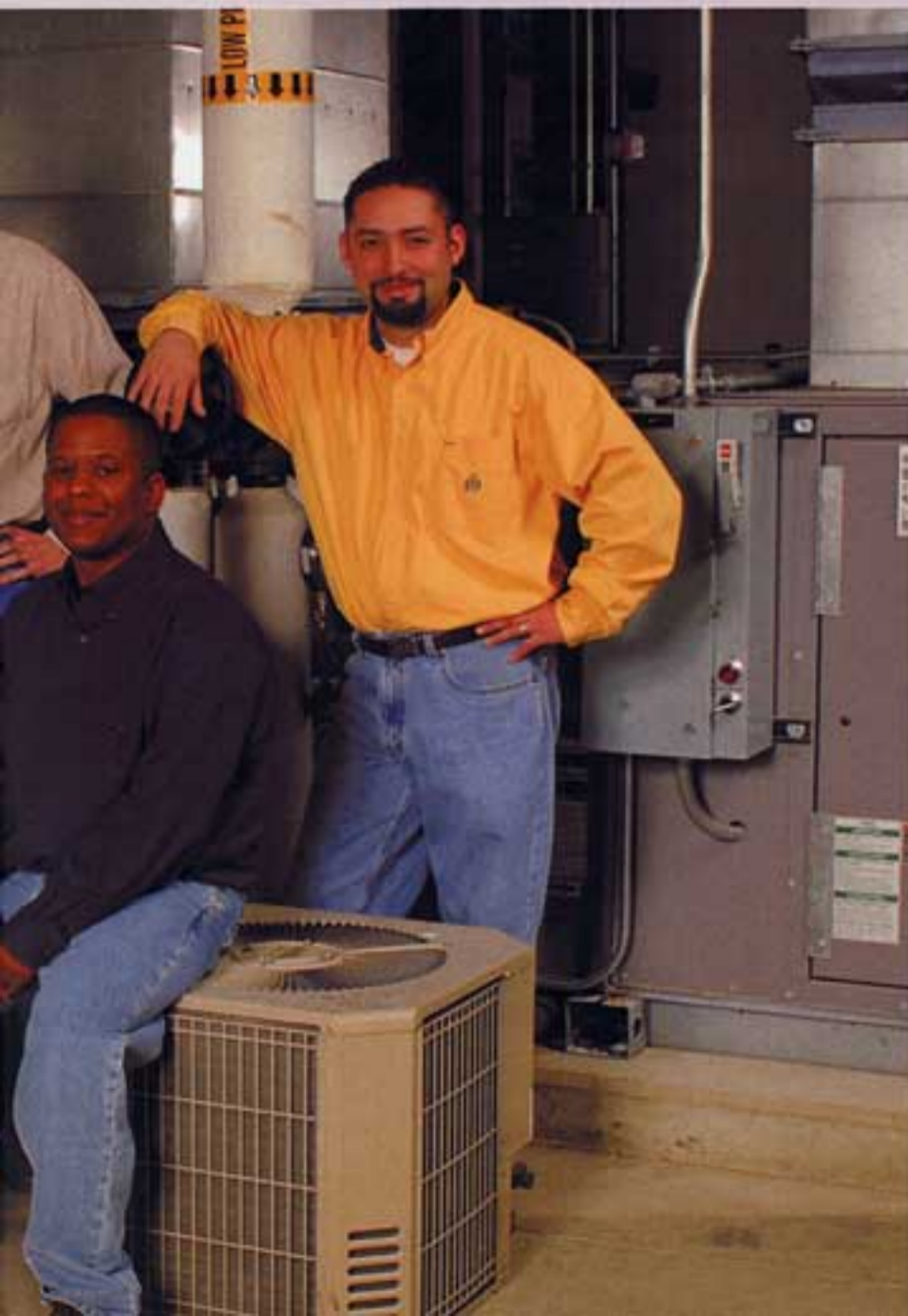


The work is varied, with opportunities in hands-on pipe work or high-tech energy management. It's an expanding industry with plenty of opportunity for growth – and it's never boring!

If you enjoy math, science, and problem solving; and want a career filled with variety and advancement; the piping industry may be the right career choice. Check out the MCA/Local Union 597 Apprenticeship Program website at www.tomorrowteam.com for complete information, or call **Linda Hannah** at **(312) 409-1598**.

CAREERS IN THE PIPING INDUSTRY

- COMPUTER AIDED DRAFTING
 - DRAFTSPERSON
 - SYSTEMS LAYOUT
 - FIELD SERVICE & INSTALLATION
 - BUILDING CONTROLS SPECIALIST
 - APPLICATION OR DESIGN ENGINEER
 - MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR
 - FOREMAN
 - PROJECT MANAGER
 - SALES POSITIONS
 - ESTIMATOR
 - PURCHASING AGENT
 - SPECIFICATION WRITER
 - SAFETY DIRECTOR
 - INSPECTOR
 - CONSTRUCTION MANAGER
 - APPLICATION OR LAB TECHNICIAN
- AND MANY MORE!

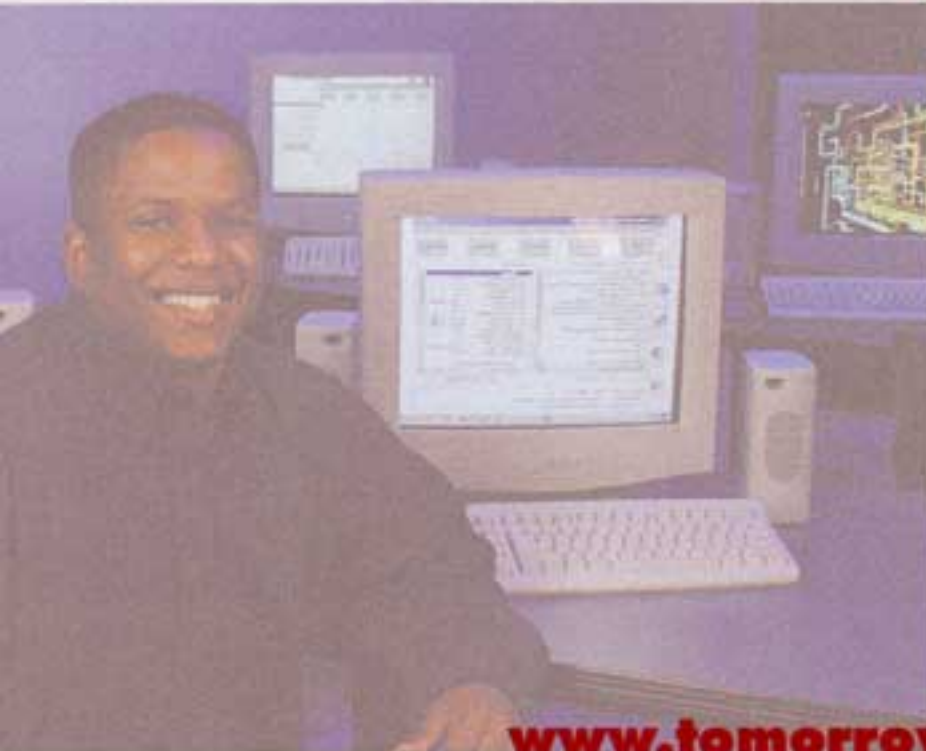


EARN WHILE THEY LEARN



- Apprentice Pipe Fitter Earnings
- - University of Illinois Business Student Tuition

Figures are based on 2002 wage and "tuition & fees" rates



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