

## The National Network of Business and Industry

**Associations** (the National Network) launched in late 2013 with the mission to improve economic opportunity and quality of life for Americans by better connecting the working world and the learning world. The National Network is pioneering this new movement to eliminate the divide between “school” and “work” and extend clear pathways to and from learning opportunities and good jobs.

The National Network includes leaders in manufacturing, retail, professional and business real estate, health care, energy, construction, hospitality, transportation and information technology sectors, which represent the source of nearly 75 percent of projected job growth by 2020 (an estimated 30 million new jobs). These leaders are united in their commitment to help individuals understand and gain the skills they need to enter into and advance in the jobs of today and tomorrow. This unprecedented collaboration of typically competitive industries signals a commitment to support a better prepared and more fulfilled workforce.

The National Network is led by Business Roundtable, with support from ACT Foundation, The Joyce Foundation, Lumina Foundation and Walmart Foundation. Its three-point plan to connect learning to successful careers and lives includes:

1. Identifying competencies and promoting credentials that lead to work;
2. Creating more work-and-learn opportunities across the economy; and
3. Encouraging more employers to use competency-based hiring practices.

For more information, visit [www.NationalNetwork.org](http://www.NationalNetwork.org)

## Inaugural Members:

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Aerospace Industries Association  
American Health Information Management  
Association Foundation  
American Hotel & Lodging Educational Institute  
American Land Title Association  
American Moving & Storage Association  
APICS  
American Public Transportation Association  
American Welding Society  
Center for Energy Workforce Development  
CompTIA  
Food Marketing Institute  
Home Builders Institute  
Interstate Renewable Energy Council  
The Manufacturing Skill Standards Council  
National Apartment Association Education Institute  
National Center for Construction Education and  
Research  
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