

**260H.3 Eligibility criteria.**

1. Projects eligible for funding for the pathways for academic career and employment program shall be projects that further the ability of members of target populations to secure gainful, quality employment. For the purposes of [this chapter](#), “*target population*” includes:

a. Persons deemed low skilled for the purposes of attaining gainful, quality, in-state employment.

b. Persons earning incomes at or below two hundred fifty percent of the federal poverty level as defined by the most recently revised poverty income guidelines published by the United States department of health and human services.

c. Unemployed persons.

d. Underemployed persons.

e. Dislocated workers, including workers eligible for services and benefits under the federal Trade Adjustment Act of 2002, Pub. L. No. 107-210, as determined by the department of workforce development and the federal internal revenue service.

2. Projects eligible for funding for the pathways for academic career and employment program shall be projects that further partnerships that link the community colleges to industry and nonprofit organizations and projects that further program outcomes as provided in [section 260H.4](#).

[2011 Acts, ch 132, §73, 106](#); [2013 Acts, ch 141, §43](#)