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Bucks County Community College and Gamesa USA on Monday launched a program at the Green Jobs Academy at the Bridge Business Center in Bristol, Pa. to teach workers how to make, install and operate wind turbines.

The academy will serve as the U.S. base of the corporate university recently created by **Gamesa Corporación Tecnológica**, Gamesa USA's Spanish parent. Gamesa employs 550 at two plants in Pennsylvania, one near Bristol in Fairless Hills and the other in Ebensburg near Johnstown.

The Green Jobs Academy has received \$631,000 from the Department of Energy to provide training for workers in energy-efficiency retrofitting and weatherization services.

Additionally, it has gotten \$315,000 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act money through the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry for programs to train veterans for jobs in renewable energy; pollution prevention and brownfield cleanup; and energy efficiency.

Other partners in the Green Jobs Academy include **Drexel University**, **Peco Energy Co.**, **Lockheed Martin Corp.**, the **Dow Chemical Co.**, the Rhodia Group, AE Polysilicon Corp. and Y-**Carbon Inc.**

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