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Updated in 2017, this course covers an introduction to fundamentals of refrigeration and is offered in credit and non-credit programs in a face-to-face format.

**Course Syllabus**  
***Fundamentals of Refrigeration***  
***HCR-305-100***  
**Fall 2017**  
Iowa Lakes Community College  
300 South 18<sup>th</sup> Street  
Estherville, IA 51334


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**Catalog Description:** This course is a combined lecture and lab course covering the theory and laws governing refrigeration, the operation of refrigeration systems, heat transfer, components, and test equipment. It also covers the different soldering and brazing methods and materials used in refrigeration service. Emphasis is on the recovery, recycling and charging methods used.

**Prerequisites:** SER-124 Industrial Safety  
HCR-102 Introduction to HVAC

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**Credits:** 3

**Text & Additional Materials:** Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Technology, 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, Bill Whitman, Bill Johnson, John Tomczyk, Eugene Silberstein, Cengage Learning, 2013. ISBN 978-1-111-64447-5. HVACR Tools & Volt/Ohm/Amp Meters. Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Technology, Lab Manual, 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, Bill Whitman, Bill Johnson, John Tomczyk, Eugene Silberstein, Cengage Learning, 2013. ISBN 978-1-111-64448-2.

**Course Objectives/Competencies:** Upon the completion of this course the student should be able to:

- Comply and demonstrate safety rules and regulations.
- Diagram and label the basic refrigeration cycle and components.
- Describe and identify the basic components and operation of the refrigeration systems.
- Explain and identify the different types of evaporators, condensers, metering devices, lines, compressors and accessories used in refrigeration systems.
- Identify and explain low, medium, and high temperature refrigeration systems.
- Explain and identify the refrigerants/refrigerant oils and new replacements used in refrigeration systems.
- Explain and practice refrigerant safety used for refrigeration systems.
- Explain and practice EPA regulations and recover, recycle and reclaiming of refrigerants used in refrigeration systems.
- Solder and braze pipe, fittings and components used in refrigeration systems.
- Describe and practice defrost, piping, evacuation, charging and leak detection procedures on refrigeration systems.
- Diagnose, Repair, Troubleshoot and Maintain refrigeration systems.

**Course Schedule/Outline (Units of Instruction):**

- A. Safety Rules & Regulations
- B. Review Basic Refrigeration Cycle
- C. Refrigeration System
- D. Evaporators
- E. Condensers
- F. Metering Devices/Lines
- G. Compressors
- H. Filter Driers & Accessories/Special Components
- I. Refrigeration Refrigerants/Oils/EPA Rules/Recover/Recycle/Reclaim
- J. Refrigerant Safety
- K. Soldering/Brazing Pipe/Fittings/Components
- L. Refrigeration Defrost/Piping/Evacuation/Charging/Leak Detection

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## M. Refrigeration Diagnostics, Repair, Troubleshooting and Maintenance

**Methods of Instruction:** Lecture, Video, Handouts, Demonstrations and Projects

### **Grading Policies:**

**Scale:**     **A** = 90-100%  
              **B** = 80-89%  
              **C** = 70-79%  
              **D** = 60-69%  
              **F** = 0-59%

### **Other Expectations:**

Students are expected to attend all classes and labs.

Students unable to attend a lecture or exam must notify the instructor by e-mail before the absence.

Students who are absent and have notified the instructor will be allowed to reschedule tests or assignment.

Students who are absent and have not notified the instructor will not receive credit on any test or assignment due that day.

Students are responsible for learning the course material covered during their absence.

The instructor will not notify students individually if assignments or deadlines are missed.

Each exam will be announced at least one classes in advance.

Students who leave the room while a test is in progress must submit their exam as completed.

The final is comprehensive and will be administered during finals week.

Students must have achieved a grade of "D" or higher to be eligible for the final exam.

Students are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner.

Classes and labs will start promptly. If you are unprepared do not enter the classroom.

All communications must be conducted through the iowalakes.edu e-mail address.

Any behavior which is disruptive or unsafe may be grounds for removal from class.

Cell phone use and texting are prohibited in lecture.

Cell phone use and texting are prohibited in lab, unless instructed otherwise.

The use of a cell phone will result in a zero for anything done on that day. Only one warning will be given.

Students who need to leave class early should let the instructor know before class begins and leave quietly.

Avoid prolonged noise, especially during class discussions.

Incompletes are only issued when the student can establish a completion date.

Drug and alcohol use is prohibited.

Students suspected of being under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be asked to leave.

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**Important: NO food or drinks in the lab**

**Students must abide by all policies as stated in the Iowa Lakes Community College Student Handbook.**

Students should be aware that classes might be audio or video recorded by one or more students. The college's policies governing the audio or video recording of class are included in the Student Handbook. Students who have any questions or concerns about class recordings should address their questions or concerns with the instructor at the *beginning of the semester*.

### STUDENT ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

Iowa Lakes Community College believes that personal integrity and academic honesty are fundamental to scholarship. Iowa Lakes strives to create an environment where the dignity of each person is recognized and an atmosphere of mutual trust exists between instructors and students. The faculty has confidence in the integrity of the students and encourages students to exercise good judgment in fulfilling this responsibility.

Actions contrary to academic integrity will not be tolerated. Activities that have the effect or intention of interfering with learning or fair evaluation of a student's work or performance are considered a breach of academic integrity. Examples of such unacceptable activities include, but are not limited to:

- **Cheating** (intentionally using or attempting to use unauthorized material, assistance or study aids in my academic work). For example, using a cheat sheet for a test, looking at another student's paper during an exam, stealing or buying all or parts of an exam or paper, altering and resubmitting work for a better grade without prior approval to do so, etc.
- **Plagiarism** (representing another's ideas, words, expressions or data in writing or presentation without giving proper credit, failing to cite a reference or failing to use proper documentation, using works of another gained over the Internet and submitted as one's own work).
- **Falsification and/or misrepresentation of data** (submitting contrived or made-up information in any academic exercise). For example, making up data, citing non-existent sources, etc.
- **Facilitating Academic Dishonesty** (knowingly helping or attempting to help another violate any provision of the academic honesty policy). For example, working together on a take-home exam or other assignment when the option has not been made available, giving a paper/assignment to another student for his/her use, etc.
- **Multiple Submissions** (submitting, without prior approval from the instructor involved, any work submitted to fulfill academic requirements in another class). For example, submitting the same paper for two different classes, etc.
- **Unfair Advantage** (trying to gain unauthorized advantage over fellow students). For example, gaining or facilitating unauthorized access to exam materials (past or present); interfering with another student's efforts in an academic exercise; lying about the need for an extension on a paper or assignment; destroying, hiding, removing or keeping library materials, etc.

#### Disciplinary Action

Any violation of this policy will be treated as a serious matter. The instructor has primary responsibility over classroom behavior and maintaining academic integrity. Students who earn an "F" based on any violation of the Student Academic Honesty Policy may not withdraw from the class (and receive a grade of W). Depending on the nature and severity of the offense, Iowa Lakes

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## **Americans with Disabilities Act – Policy of Nondiscrimination**

It is Iowa Lakes Community College policy to not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities and to provide reasonable accommodation(s), as required by law, to otherwise qualified applicants for admission or to students with disabilities in all education programs, activities, services and practices, including application procedures, admissions, course selection, the awarding of degrees, discipline and dismissal. Educational opportunities will not be denied to an otherwise qualified application or student because of the need to make reasonable accommodation(s) or modification(s) for the physical and mental impairment(s) of any such individual.

Iowa Lakes Community College students needing reasonable accommodation(s) and/or modification(s) should contact Jody Condon by phone at (712) 852-5219 or via email at [jcondon@iowalakes.edu](mailto:jcondon@iowalakes.edu). To assure that accommodation(s) and/or modification(s) will be ready when classes start, students must make the request as soon as possible, before a semester begins.

It is the policy of Iowa Lakes Community College not to discriminate on the basis of sex, race, national origin, creed, age, marital status or disability in its education programs, activities, or employment policies, as required by Titles VI and VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, Title IX of the 1972 Educational Amendments, Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.

Inquiries regarding compliance with Title IX, Title VI, Title VII, or Section 504 may be directed to Kathy Muller, Human Resources, Iowa Lakes Community College, 19 S. Seventh Street, Estherville, IA 51334, telephone (712) 362-0433; to the Director of the Iowa Civil Rights Commission, Des Moines; or to the Director of the Region VII Office of Civil Rights, Department of Education, Kansas City, Missouri.

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