

SME Course Syllabus Report

College: Lakeland Community College

Specific Course Reviewed: WELD 2330 Advanced GTAW (TIG) Welding

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Evaluation Method: The rubric below was used to evaluate that core curricula meets industry standards.

Review Scale Definitions:

0: Evident

1: Not Evident

N/A: Not Applicable

1. Program/Course Overview: <i>The overall design of this course is made clear to the student.</i>	Evident	Not Evident	N/A
1.1 The program/course objectives are clearly stated.	X		
1.2 Learning objectives are specific and appropriately designed for course.	X		
1.3 Learning objectives describe outcomes that are measurable.	X		
1.4 Course objectives/outcomes align to an occupational focus	X		
Comments or recommendations: It is interesting this course has students not only weld in the 5F position, but the 6F position when following qualification per AWS D1.1. The AWS D1.1:2015 lists that 5F covers qualification in all positions per table 9.9 and 9.13. 6F is listed in AWS A3.0 and not specifically in AWS D1.1:2015, but is relevant to industry.			
2. Resources and Materials: <i>Instruction materials align with stated course objectives and outcomes.</i>	Evident	Not Evident	N/A
2.1 The instructional materials contribute to the achievement of the stated course learning objectives.	X		
2.2 The course materials, activities, and outcomes are relevant/reflect industry workforce development needs.	X		
2.3 The instructional materials on course content provide quality options for different learning styles.	X		
2.4 The learning activities are designed at an appropriate level for the course.	X		
2.5 Equipment/technology support course learning objectives and are relevant to industry.	X		
Comments or recommendations: There is no textbook required and the course schedule is left blank, but that is up to the discretion of the instructor. A variety of material for students to weld on in this course aligns with industry standards from steel, stainless, and aluminum. Materials students must furnish are listed in the course description.			

3. Learner Activities and Relevancy: <i>Course objectives and outcomes are relevant to students, industry and employers.</i>	Evident	Not Evident	N/A
3.1 Learning objectives describe outcomes that are measurable.	X		
3.2 Course outcomes and objectives provide content that is relevant to industry and employers.	X		
3.3 Instruction, activities, and assignments are relevant to and engaging to students.	X		
3.4 Learning activities align to industry workforce development initiatives.	X		
Comments or recommendations: A variety of weld metals and welding positions are in the course outline to keep students engaged.			
4. Assessment and Measurement: <i>Assessment strategies use established ways to measure effective learning, evaluate student progress by reference, to stated learning objectives, and are designed to be integral to the learning process.</i>	Evident	Not Evident	N/A
4.1 The course evaluation criteria/course grading policy is stated clearly on the syllabus.	X		
4.2 Course-level assessments measure the stated learning objectives and are consistent with course activities and resources.	X		
4.3 Assessments are varied and appropriate to the content being assessed.	X		
Comments or recommendations: Several forms of instructional and grading procedures are included in this course.			

Overall Summary:

This course syllabus on Advanced GTAW (TIG) Welding aligns to industry standards and is a model for duplication. This course allows students to focus on vertical and overhead positions with GTAW using a variety of materials. As a recommendation, it may be valuable to add ANSI Z49.1 as topic in the course outline to cover other safety topics not mentioned. Another safety reference that may add value to use is the American Welding Society Safety & Health Fact Sheets. Under course objective number 6, the student is to follow the visual acceptance quality requirements of AWS D1.1 which deals with 1/8 (3mm) plate and thicker. It may be valuable to reference inspection criteria from other sources such as AWS D9.1: 2012 Sheet Metal Welding Code or AWS D17.1 2010 Specification for Fusion Welding for Aerospace Applications. It may also be valuable to change Section III, Part D "Electrode stick out" to "Arc length" since this is GTAW.

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