QUINSIGAMOND Community College

Manufacturing Technology – Certificate

Course Descriptions

MNT 100 Manufacturing Safety
Credits: 3
This course provides an introduction to the principles of safety, guidelines for the design of equipment, and explanations of why certain practices should or should not be followed in the manufacturing environment. Students evaluate human reactions in normal and abnormal conditions, and compare features required for safe working conditions to industry standards.

MNT 101 Mechanical CAD I
Credits: 3
This course introduces computer-aided design (CAD) software. Students develop an understanding of the commands needed to produce a two-dimensional drawing. Topics include drawing setup, geometry creating, editing functions, layer techniques, dimensioning, model and paper space, title block creation, and plotting a completed drawing. Other related topics include multi-view drawings, selection and arrangement of orthographic views, section and auxiliary views, and isometric and oblique drawings. Students gain proficiency in the operation of a PC-based CAD system and a functional understanding of basic computer-aided drafting techniques.

MNT 110 Manufacturing Processes I
Credits: 3
This course examines present day manufacturing processes and occupations. Students learn various manufacturing processes including precision inspection and measurement, forging and casting, and powder metal processing. Students gain an understanding of the properties of metal, process automation, and the basics of cost estimating. In addition, students learn a practical approach to managing a project to provide the technical experience necessary in current manufacturing industries.

MNT 108 Basic Machine Operation
Credits: 3
This course introduces some of the fundamentals of machine tool technologies. It is focused on hands-on activities that are essential to a successful career in a manufacturing industry. Students learn from highly qualified instructors how to use bench working practices as well as operate lathes and milling machines. A variety of assignments challenge students to produce high precision parts while learning mechanical inspection techniques. Finally, students are introduced to the fundamentals of CNC programming and CNC equipment.

CIS 111 Intro to Microcomputer Applications
Credits: 3
This course focuses on basic working knowledge and hands-on experiences in word processing, spreadsheet processing, database processing, and presentation software. Students acquire an overview of computer concepts, the most common business office operating systems, the Internet, and the World Wide Web.

MAT 100 College Algebra
Credits: 3
Prerequisites: MAT 099 with a "C" or better on the MAT 099 departmental final exam or appropriate placement score
This course continues the areas of study presented in Intermediate Algebra with more advanced treatment. Students perform arithmetic operations on rational expressions; solve equations with fractions; factor expressions; simplify complex fractions; simplify exponential expressions, roots, radicals, and rational exponents; solve linear systems using several techniques; use the midpoint and distance formulas; recognize and graph the equation of a circle; solve linear and absolute value inequalities; solve quadratic equations by completing the square and by using the quadratic formula; solve equations containing radicals or absolute values; and perform arithmetic operations on radical expressions and complex numbers.

MAT 108 Applied Technical Mathematics I
Credits: 4
Prerequisites: MAT 095 with a grade of "C" or better on the MAT 095 departmental final exam or by appropriate Placement score
This course covers major topics in the study and applications of algebra and trigonometry. Students will review fundamental concepts of algebra and approximate numbers with problem-solving strategies. Students will learn to graph and write linear equations in several forms; graph functions; solve and apply systems of linear equations; apply perimeter, area, and volume to basic geometric shapes; factor polynomials; perform arithmetic operations on algebraic fractions; solve and apply quadratic equations; solve and apply right triangle trigonometry; be introduced to vectors. Technology tools are utilized in this course.

MNT 106 Manufacturing Quality Assurance & Quality Control Techniques
Credits: 4
Prerequisites: MNT 101
This course enhances the use of blueprint reading skills through the study of geometric dimensioning and tolerances. Students analyze the dimensional and performance requirements of individual parts or components. Students utilize industry-standard practices in the field of inspection to qualify component part conformance to a given blueprint. Quality control techniques drive the success of engineering and manufacturing companies. This course provides students with an understanding of the critical nature of quality, and recognizing potential problems before they appear. Students use high precision measuring equipment and statistical process control (SPC) methods to determine and support quality control requirements. Three hours lecture, three hours laboratory.

MNT 115 Maintenance and Instrumentation in Manufacturing
Credits: 3
Prerequisites: MNT110
This course covers practical applications of instruments that are frequently used in current manufacturing industries. Students learn an overview of basic electronic theory with an emphasis on the operational aspect components such as programmable logic controllers (PLCs), pressure gauges, transducers, strain gauges, electronic recorders, and controllers. Class projects help students develop the analytical ability necessary for using manufacturing instrumentation.