



NEW PROGRAM PROPOSAL FORM

Sponsoring Institution(s): Crowder College

Program Title: Automotive Technology: Basic Auto Mechanic

Degree/Certificate: Certificate (C1 - >=1 year but < 2 yr)

Options: NA

Delivery Site(s): Crowder College in Neosho, and online

CIP Classification: 15.0803

*CIP code can be cross-referenced with programs offered in your region on MDHE's program inventory highered.mo.gov/ProgramInventory/search.jsp

Implementation Date: Fall 2017

Cooperative Partners: NA

*If this is a collaborative program, form CL must be included with this proposal

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PROGRAM CHARACTERISTICS AND PERFORMANCE GOALS

Institution Name Crowder College
Program Name AutoTechnology Basic Auto Mechanic Certificate
Date 11/16/2016

(Although all of the following guidelines may not be applicable to the proposed program, please carefully consider the elements in each area and respond as completely as possible in the format below. Quantification of performance goals should be included wherever possible.)

1. Student Preparation

- Any special admissions procedures or student qualifications required for this program which exceed regular university admissions, standards, e.g., ACT score, completion of core curriculum, portfolio, personal interview, etc. Please note if no special preparation will be required.
No special preparation will be required
- Characteristics of a specific population to be served, if applicable.
No specific population

2. Faculty Characteristics

- Any special requirements (degree status, training, etc.) for assignment of teaching for this degree/certificate.
Specialized training, experience and ASE certification are required.
- Estimated percentage of credit hours that will be assigned to full time faculty. Please use the term "full time faculty" (and not FTE) in your descriptions here.
Full time faculty teach 30 credit hours in one year (2 Semesters). The certificate is composed of 39 hours of Automotive Credits, therefore the estimated percentage of credit hours assigned to full time faculty is approximately 100%. The certificate credits will also be required for the AAS in Automotive technology.
- Expectations for professional activities, special student contact, teaching/learning innovation.
Guest Speakers are arranged each semester from industry. Once in the certificate phase a field trip will be fulfilled to applicable industry. Local Industry partners and staff provide real life automechanic problems.

3. Enrollment Projections

- Student FTE majoring in program by the end of five years.

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- Percent of full time and part time enrollment by the end of five years.
70% full time enrollment and 30% part time enrollment is the prediction for the five year outlook.

4. Student and Program Outcomes

- Number of graduates per annum at three and five years after implementation.
Three year prediction is 12 Graduates, and the five year prediction is 22.
- Special skills specific to the program.
Specific skills will include basic Engine troubleshooting, fuels systems, air conditioning, and automotive emission control systems, brake testing and repair, replacing steering and suspension components, malfunction diagnostics of power transmitting units. The student will also learn tool selection and usage and shop safety. This course will also provide the student with a technical understanding of calculating material and use of proper procedures for the completion of automotive troubleshooting.
- Proportion of students who will achieve licensing, certification, or registration.
Prediction of proportion of graduates with the Basic Auto Mechanic certificate achieving licensing, certification or registration is 75%.
- Performance on national and/or local assessments, e.g., percent of students scoring above the 50th percentile on normed tests; percent of students achieving minimal cut-scores on criterion-referenced tests. Include expected results on assessments of general education and on exit assessments in a particular discipline as well as the name of any nationally recognized assessments used.
It is anticipated that students will pass above the 80th percentile on the ETS proficiency exam
- Placement rates in related fields, in other fields, unemployed.
Placement rates in the local area are predicted to be 85%. Placement in other fields are predicted to be 10%, and the unemployed rate is expected to be 5%.
- Transfer rates, continuous study.
Since this is a terminal educational opportunity the transfer rate is expected to be very low, approximately less than 5%.

5. Program Accreditation

- Institutional plans for accreditation, if applicable, including accrediting agency and timeline. **If there are no plans to seek specialized accreditation, please provide a rationale.**
Crowder College plans to seek program accreditation with the appropriate agencies.

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6. Alumni and Employer Survey

- Expected satisfaction rates for alumni, *including timing and method of surveys*. Through the office of Career Services, Crowder College uses the Perkins 180-day follow-up survey/questionnaire that is sent to all career and technical program graduates.
- Expected satisfaction rates for employers, including timing and method of surveys. Through the office of Career Services, Crowder College conducts its own employer satisfaction survey 300 days after students graduate. We anticipate an 80% or higher satisfaction rate.

7. Institutional Characteristics

- Characteristics demonstrating why your institution is particularly well-equipped to support the program.

Crowder College has the ultimate goal in any program to train students to function in society as a responsible citizen. Crowder College programs objectives are to build strong ties and relationships between the college and other educational institutions, both secondary and post-secondary, the community, and the businesses and organizations that support our community. Crowder College already has in place an Associate of Applied Science in Auto Technology, and Auto Technology – Parts Management. Crowder College is accredited by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Coordinating Board for Higher Education. The college is also fully accredited by the Higher Learning Commission a member of the North Central Association. Crowder College provides opportunities for people to pursue associate degrees, certificate and diploma programs, plus continuing education to include: a program of Arts and Sciences directed toward transfer to baccalaureate degree granting institutions and to general intellectual enrichment, career education leading to economic self reliance both developmental and honors education to allow greater opportunity to fully exercise each individual's academic potential, endeavors to enrich life through cultural and a vocational opportunity, and partnerships with business, industry and others designed to support a great quality of life and an economic base in the community..



STUDENT ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS

Year	1	2	3	4	5
Full Time	3	5	7	10	18
Part Time	1	3	4	6	18
Total	4	8	11	16	36

Please provide a rationale regarding how student enrollment projections were calculated:

Based on feedback from our industry partners, and students the Auto Technology: Basic Auto Mechanic certificate is a career that is needed in our service area.

Provide a rationale for proposing this program, including evidence of market demand and societal need supported by research:

Student interest has peaked in the last few years in the Automotive Technology Field (AUTO). With this increase interest the automotive program has felt the influence of students requiring both an automotive certificate and the Associate of Applied Science education and skills for today's employment market. This highly trained individual is in great demand not only in this district but throughout the Nation. The jobs.mo.gov search for automotive mechanic displayed 1000 employment opportunities in the state of Missouri. According to the Missouri Connections link to The U.S. Occupational Handbook, the Job outlook states that the employment of automotive service technicians and mechanics is projected to grow 5% from 2014 to 2024, about as fast as the average for all occupations. Job opportunities for qualified jobseekers should be good. Job opportunities should be best for those who have completed postsecondary training in diesel engine repair.

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Program Duplication:

There are no accredited associate degrees similar to this one offered in our service region by any other community colleges. There is no duplication of effort by other community colleges.

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E. Free elective credits:

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(Sum of C, D, and E should equal A.)

F. Requirements for thesis, internship or other capstone experience:

None

G. Any unique features such as interdepartmental cooperation:

None



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