

Occupational Development (A.A.S.)

Associate in Applied Science in Occupational Development

Program Description:

The Occupational Developmental Degree is designed to meet two major needs:

1. To provide for cooperatively sponsored educational opportunities leading to the Associate in Applied Science degree for students in approved apprenticeship training programs.
2. To provide a mechanism for Mountwest Community & Technical College to deliver educational programs in a variety of occupational fields to businesses and industries having an immediate need for such programs.

The United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Apprenticeships and Training (BAT) identifies eligible apprenticeships. Components of the program include the following: general education, classroom instruction, and on-the-job training.

Occupational Development students must meet all admission and performance standards. Credits earned through either approved apprenticeship programs or through industry-based education and training programs will not be added to the students' collegiate transcripts until they have completed three program credit hours from Mountwest Community & Technical College and have obtained at least a 2.00 GPA.

The student who graduates with the Associate in Applied Science Degree in Occupational Development will possess:

- Supervisory Skills
- Computer Software Skills
- Relevant Essential Math Skills
- Written and Oral Communication Skills

Admission Requirements:

The college adheres to an open admission policy which means applicants with a high school diploma or a GED are eligible for admission. Applicants with neither a high school diploma nor a GED may be admitted on a conditional basis.

Major Code - C010

FIRST YEAR	
<p>Component I - General Education</p> <p>ENL 111 Written Communication³.....3 COM 112 Oral Communication³.....3 IT 101 Fundamentals of Computers⁴ (EDGE).....3 General Education Elective⁵.....3 Quantitative Skills Course⁶.....3 Social Science Course⁷.....3 TOTAL CREDITS..... 21-22</p>	<p>COMPONENT II - CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION IN THE OCCUPATION⁸ 450-750 Classroom/Laboratory contact hours of Occupational Education converted to credit hours at the usual ration of 15:1 classroom or 30:1 laboratory.</p> <p>MAXIMUM TOTAL CREDITS40</p>
<p>COMPONENT III - ON-THE-JOB TRAINING IN OCCUPATION⁹ Maximum of 2,400 contact hours of on-the-job training, converted to credit hours on a ratio of 200:1, can be counted toward the A.A.S. degree. A statement of the total number of contact hours experienced on the job by the student may be placed on the college record. This credit will be recorded immediately prior to graduation from the college. TOTAL CREDITS.....12</p>	
<p>HOURS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION: 60</p>	

Employment Opportunities:

- Work as journeyman

Earn A Degree Graduate Early (Edge):

This program provides students the opportunity to receive credit for their high school EDGE courses.

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1. Student must be employed in an occupation and complete an apprenticeship.
2. Students must complete a minimum of 3 credit hours with Mountwest Community & Technical College to establish academic residency.
3. Fulfills Mountwest General Education and State Communication Skills requirements for Occupational Development Degree.
4. IT 101 fulfills state General Education Elective Requirement for Occupational Development Degree and General Studies Core.
5. To fulfill General Education Electives requirement for Occupational Development and General Education Core Degree, select from EC 102, SS 201, SS 210, or SS 215.
6. Six total Quantitative Skills/Laboratory Science Experience credits are required for Occupational Development Degree and General Education Core. At least one college-level mathematics course must be selected from: MAT 115, MAT 145, or MAT 150. Students may complete the six credit requirement with a second college-level mathematics course or select a laboratory science course from the following: SCI 101, SCI 110, SCI 120, SCI 201, or SCI 257.
7. To fulfill Social Science Course requirements for Occupational Developmental and General Education Core Degree, select from EC 102, SS 201, SS 210, or SS 215

8. Must provide a certificate or letter of completed classroom instruction. A statement of the total number of classroom instruction hours may be placed on the college record, with credit being recorded immediately prior to graduation from college.
9. A letter must be received from employer to verify this employment.