AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE TECHNOLOGY



SOUTH PLAINS COLLEGE

THE PROGRAM

A college-level training program that offers certificate or associate degree options in preparation for a career in the automotive service industry.

Rapid technological advancements in the automotive industry continue to create the need for skilled service technicians. This trend, expected to continue for the next decade, requires technical education programs to be innovative and practical in their approach to helping students obtain required job skills.

The automotive technology program at South Plains College has responded to this challenge by designing a flexible training program to meet the workforce needs of the automotive service industry. State-of-the-art classroom and lab facilities are housed at the Levelland campus and the Lubbock Career and Technical Center located at 3907 Avenue Q.

The program is certified by the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (NATEF) in all eight specialty training areas that form the core of the program's curriculum. Students completing the training sequence in each of the specialties learn skills which meet ASE industry standards.



PROGRAM FLEXIBILITY

The automotive technology program at South Plains College provides three different training options to fit your specific job goals. Qualified, experienced faculty help guarantee your success in the program. In all courses, you apply classroom knowledge directly to lab situations while earning college-level credit. You work on "live" as well as simulated projects where you gain the skills and aptitudes employers demand.

Faculty in the program provide a personal approach to training and education. They work with you on a one-to-one basis in order to meet your specific needs. SPC also provides a placement service for students who need assistance in exploring the job market.

FIRST-CLASS FACILITIES

Today's successful service technicians are noted for an ability to diagnose complex problems, and the automotive technology program strives to keep the level of training equal to the leading-edge technology featured in today's automobiles. Up-to-date diagnostic equipment and teaching aids are an important part of the training program.

SPC maintains extremely well equipped, 18 bay training facilities at both the Levelland campus and the Lubbock Career and Technical Center. Also available, on all campuses, are tool and equipment rooms and spacious classrooms. You work with up-to-date equipment, just like the kind used in the service industry to troubleshoot and repair today's complex automotive systems.

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PROGRAM OPTIONS

The automotive technology program at South Plains College provides three different training options for the serious automotive technology student. Each option allows you the opportunity to gain specific skills in automotive service areas.

CERTIFICATE OPTION

The program's curriculum is built around a core of eight instructional areas, matching the eight certification areas of ASE. These core areas are taught in two certificate options.

The Basic Certificate is comprised of Engine Repair (A1), Suspension (A4), Brakes (AS), Electrical (A6), and Heating and Air Conditioning (A?). The Advanced Certificate is comprised of Automatic Transmissions (A2), Manual Transmissions (A3), Electrical (A6) and Engine Performance (A8)

You can enroll in one or both certification options, depending on your needs. If your goal is to become a certified automotive technician, then you will need to successfully complete all certificate options. Students who complete this sequence receive a certificate of proficiency and are prepared to perform a wide variety of service and repair jobs. Each certificate option is designed to be completed in one year.

Please consult the program advisor for the campus you are attending to obtain proper course selections. Course offerings and times will vary depending on the campus you are attending.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE OPTION

Students who finish the sequence of courses for the certificate of proficiency can earn an associate of applied science degree by completing an additional 15 semester hours of general education courses. This college degree, coupled with experience, can open the door to rapid advancement in the automotive industry.

Additionally, ASE certification may be obtained by successfully mastering exams administered by the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence.

For more information about the program options and course descriptions, please consult the current General Catalog at www.southplainscollege.edu

HIGH SCHOOL DUAL CREDIT

All campuses offer dual credit classes for high school students, please consult your high school campus for more information concerning dual credit courses.

Financial Aid

South Plains College offers a full-service student financial aid program for those students who are eligible for federal financial aid in the form of grants, loans or employment. For more information about financial aid options, contact the Financial Aid Office at the SPC Reece Center or the Levelland campus.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Prospective students who plan to enroll are encouraged to apply for scholarships offered at SPC. A list of scholarships is available by contacting the Scholarship Office. The scholarship application deadline is March 1.

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