

WELDING

Technical Diploma
Program Code: 31-442-1

Total Credits: 28-29

The Welding program at Mid-State prepares graduates for a wide variety of welding jobs in production, maintenance, construction, manufacturing, and servicing industries. You will receive hands-on instruction and practice in a number of welding processes, including shielded metal arc, gas tungsten arc, gas metal arc, submerged arc, oxyacetylene cutting, plasma arc, and arc-air cutting. You will also become familiar with various types of metals, fabrication of metals, and welding under industry codes. Successful completion of this program prepares you to take welding certification tests.

Mid-State's Welding program courses prepare students for numerous state and national certifications. None is required to complete the program; there are additional costs for testing/certification. The College does not guarantee its curriculum matches the requirements for preparation, examinations, or licensure for other states.

Estimated tuition and fees: mstc.edu/programcosts

ACADEMIC ADVISOR

To schedule an appointment with an academic advisor, call 715.422.5300. Academic advisors will travel to other campuses as necessary to accommodate student needs. For more information about advising, visit **mstc.edu/advising**.

CHECKLIST:

This section will be completed when meeting with your academic advisor.

- ☐ FAFSA (www.fafsa.gov)
- ☐ Financial Aid Form(s)
 Form(s):

☐ Follow-Up Appointment:

Where: ________When:

With:

- Official Transcripts
 Mid-State Technical College
 Student Services Assistant
 1001 Centerpoint Drive
 Stevens Point, WI 54481
- Other:____

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- Certifications and Licenses
- High School Credit
- Military Experience
- National/Standardized Exams
- Transfer Credit
- Work and Life Experience

Learn about Credit for Prior Learning at mstc.edu/cpl.



GAS METAL ARC WELDING (GMAW)

Certificate • 6 Credits

For more information and additional opportunities, visit mstc.edu/career-accelerator.



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Technical Diploma • 28-29 Credits

Start Your Career

- Construction Welder
- Fabricator Maintenance Welder
- Production Line Welder
- Apprenticeship



BACHELOR'S DEGREE OPTIONS

For more information and additional opportunities, visit mstc.edu/transfer.

OTHER OPTIONS

RELATED PROGRAMS

- Advanced Manufacturing Technology
- Industrial Mechanical Technician
- Manufacturing Operations Management
- Metal Fabrication
- Precision Machining Technician
- · Stainless Steel Welding

APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Ironworker Apprenticeship

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Employers will expect you, as a Welding graduate, to be able to:

- Demonstrate industry-recognized safety practices.
- Interpret welding drawings.
- Produce shielded metal arc welds (SMAW).
- Produce gas metal arc welds (GMAW).
- · Produce flux core welds.
- Produce gas tungsten arc welds (GTAW).
- Perform cutting operations.

TECHNICAL SKILLS ATTAINMENT

The Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) has implemented a requirement that all technical colleges measure program outcomes attained by students. This requirement is called Technical Skills Attainment (TSA). The main objective of TSA is to ensure graduates have the technical skills needed by employers. Students are notified of TSA reporting in their final few courses of the program.

PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

Students are required to provide their own protective clothing and equipment including welding gloves, jacket, and helmet. Details of the requirements and where they may be purchased are provided by the program instructor at the beginning of each semester.

NOTES:		

STUDENT HANDBOOK

Visit **mstc.edu/studenthandbook** to view Mid-State's student handbook, which contains information about admissions, enrollment, appeals processes, services for people with disabilities, financial aid, graduation, privacy, Mid-State's Student Code of Conduct, and technology.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

The GPS for Student Success course is required for all Mid-State program students and is recommended to be completed before obtaining 12 credits. (Not counted in the total credit value for this program.) Some students are exempt from this requirement. Please see your program advisor for more information.

GPS for Student Success ☐ 108901021 credit

Integrate necessary skills for student success by developing an academic plan, identifying interpersonal attributes for success, adopting efficient and effective learning strategies, and utilizing Mid-State resources, policies, and processes.

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ADDITIONAL COURSES AS NEEDED

The following courses may be recommended or required if the student does not achieve minimum Accuplacer scores.

College Reading and Writing 1

108311043 credits

Provides learners with opportunities to develop and expand reading and writing skills to prepare for college-level academic work. Students will employ critical reading strategies to improve comprehension, analysis, and retention of texts. Students will apply the writing process to produce well-developed, coherent, and unified written work.

Pre-Algebra

108341093 credits

Provides an introduction to algebra. Includes operations on real numbers, solving linear equations, percent and proportion, and an introduction to polynomials and statistics. Prepares students for elementary algebra and subsequent algebra-related courses.

SAMPLE FULL-TIME CURRICULUM OPTION

Term 10442111 10457119 31442311 31442315 31442317 31442320 31462318 32420320	Intermediate GMAW/FCAW Fabrication Fundamentals 1 Weld Testing for GMAW & FCAW Gas Metal Arc Welding: Introduction Inspections and Testing in Welding Print Reading for Welding Welding Foundations 1 Safety for Industrial Trades Math for Manufacturing -or-	3 1 1 3 1 1 1 1 2
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	Total credits 28	-29

This course has options available to receive credit for prior learning (CPL) or work experience. Visit the website at mstc.edu/cpl or contact your advisor for details.

Please Note:

- This curriculum sequence is only for student planning. Actual student schedules will vary depending on course availability.
- Program completion time may vary based on student scheduling and course availability. For details, go to **mstc.edu/schedule**.

SAMPLE PART-TIME CURRICULUM OPTION

Term 10457119 31442313 31442320 31462318	6 credit Fabrication Fundamentals 1 Gas Metal Arc Welding: Introduction Welding Foundations 1 Safety for Industrial Trades &	1 3 1
Term 10442102 30442105 10457120 31442314 30442104 31442316 31442321	7 credit Intermediate GTAW (TIG) -or- Intermediate TIG (Stainless) Fabrication Fundamentals 2 Gas Tungsten Arc Welding: Introduction -or- Basic TIG (Stainless) Metallurgy for Welding Welding Foundations 2	2 1 2 1 1
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Term 10442103 30442106 10442115 31442319	Shielded Metal Arc Welding: Introduction	2 2 2
31442322 31442412	Robotic Welding Weld Testing for SMAW & GTAW Total credits 28-2	1

MULTIPLE MEASURES		
Multiple Measures Writing (MMW): High school GPA of 2.6 and successful completion of 2.0 credits of high school writing courses with a "C" or better	Multiple Measures Reading (MMR): High school GPA of 2.6 and successful completion of 2.0 credits of high school literature courses with a "C" or better	
Multiple Measures Math 1 (MMM_1): High school GPA of 2.6 and successful completion of 1.0 credits of high school math (Algebra 1 or equivalent) with a "C" or better	Multiple Measures Math 2 (MMM_2): High school GPA of 2.6 and successful completion of 2.0 credits of high school math including Algebra 1 and Algebra 2 with a "C" or better	
Multiple Measures Science 1 (MMS_1): High school GPA of 2.6 and successful completion of 1.0 credits of high school lab science course with a "C" or better	Multiple Measures Science 2 (MMS_2): High school GPA of 2.6 and successful completion of 1.0 credits of high school chemistry with a "C" or better	

Past high school and college transcripts are used in making course placement decisions.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Advanced GTAW (TIG)

104421032 credits

Students learn complete penetration stainless steel pipe welds in the 5G and 6G positions.

Corequisite: Intermediate GTAW (TIG) 10442102

Advanced TIG (Stainless)

304421062 credits

Students learn advanced GTAW processes through the completion of stainless steel pipe weldments in the 5G and 6G positions.

Coreguisite: Intermediate TIG (Stainless) 30442105

Basic TIG (Stainless)

304421042 credits

An introduction to the gas tungsten arc welding (GTAW) process commonly known as TIG. Topics include study and application of necessary safety and care of equipment and supplies. The student develops skills with the common production welding joints and materials all completed on stainless steel.

College Mathematics &

108041073 credits

This course is designed to review and develop fundamental concepts of mathematics in the areas of algebra, geometry, trigonometry, measurement and data. Algebra topics emphasize simplifying algebraic expressions, solving linear equations and inequalities with one variable, solving proportions and percent applications. Geometry and trigonometry topics include; finding areas and volumes of geometric figures, applying similar and congruent triangles. applying Pythagorean Theorem, and solving right triangles using trigonometric ratios. Measurement topics emphasize the application of measurement concepts and conversion techniques within and between U.S. customary and metric system to solve problems. Data topics emphasize data organization and summarization skills, including: frequency distributions, central tendency, relative position and measures of dispersion. Special emphasis is placed on problem solving, critical thinking and logical reasoning, making connections, and using calculators. Prerequisite: High School GPA of 2.6 and MMM 1 or Accuplacer

Arithmetic of 250 and QAS 234 or ACT Math score of 17 or Pre-Algebra 10834109 with a "C" or better

Gas Metal Arc Welding: Introduction 314423133 credits

In this course, you develop skills of welding on steel sheet metals and plates using the GMAW process. Emphasis is placed on axial spray, pulse spray, and short circuit mode of transfer. Upon completion of this course, the student is able to weld in several positions, read basic weld symbols, and have an understanding of written welding procedures.

Gas Tungsten Welding: Introduction

31442314.....2 credits

An introduction to the gas tungsten arc welding (GTAW) process commonly known as TIG, including the necessary safety and care of equipment and supplies. The student develops skills with the common production welding joints and materials.

Fabrication Fundamentals 1

10457119.....1 credit

An introduction to structural shapes and sheet metal fabrication. Presents fabrication techniques, metal selection, and layout, cutting, bending, drilling, threading, and joining using manual equipment and techniques. Information is presented to the student and followed up with lab activities to provide a hands-on experience. Emphasizes developing an understanding of the tools, techniques, safe work habits, and application of sheet metal fabrication skills.

Fabrication Fundamentals 2

10457120.....1 credit

An introduction to plate steel and heavy fabrication. Presents fabrication techniques using heavy fabrication equipment. CNC Cutting, Plate and Tube bending, Sawing and Shearing equipment will be presented and followed up with lab activities to provide a hands-on experience. Emphasizes developing an understanding of the equipment, techniques, safe work habits, and application of heavy metal fabrication skills.

Intermediate GMAW/FCAW

104421113 credits

Builds skills with the GMAW process and performing welds on stainless steel and aluminum sheet metal and plate. Students are able to differentiate and select proper electrodes and shielding gases, and properly adjust parameters. Emphasizes axial spray, pulse spray, and short circuit mode of transfer depending on base metal. Students learn about and practice the FCAW process, including types of electrodes, fluxes, and shielding gases used in these processes. Students are able to weld in several positions, read some basic weld symbols, and have a basic understanding of written welding procedures. Prerequisite: Gas Metal Arc Welding: Introduction 31442313

Intermediate GTAW (TIG)

104421022 credits

In this course students weld in the horizontal and vertical positions on stainless steel and aluminum. Pulsed current is applied to stainless steel weldments. Complete penetration groove welds in stainless steel are practiced and evaluated. Corequisite: Gas Tungsten Arc Welding: Introduction 31442314

Intermediate TIG (Stainless)

30442105......2 credits

Intermediate GTAW weldments created in the horizontal and vertical positions on stainless steel. Pulsed current is applied to stainless steel weldments. Complete penetration groove welds in stainless steel are practiced and evaluated. Corequisite: Basic TIG (Stainless) 30442104.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Math for Manufacturing

324203202 credits

Studies Welding and Fabrication problems involving calculations with fractions, decimals, percentages, measurements and conversions. Includes work with the metric system, measurement conversion, shapes, formulas for circumference area and volume and use of a scientific calculator. Formulas with application to bending metal are also studied.

Prerequisite: Admission into Precision Machining Technician program 314209, Welding program 314421, Gas Tungsten Arc Welding (Stainless Steel) program 304427, or consent of instructor

Metallurgy for Welding

314423161 credit

Investigates the effects of welding on the mechanical properties of metals. Learners explore hardness, strength, and weldability of various metals. Concepts are applied in various activities including heat treating, hardness testing, and tensile testing.

Print Reading for Welding

314423171 credit

Students study print format, line types, orthographic views, dimensioning, welding symbols, and bill of materials. Students apply concepts by creating and fabricating from prints in individual and group activities.

Robotic Welding

314423222 credits

An introduction into the operation, setup and uses for robots in the welding industry. Students will learn simple teach pendant techniques, perform CNC basics for making programs and utilizing welding knowledge for proper setup of the robots. Students will perform multiple functions to produce quality weldments performed by the robot.

Safety for Industrial Trades ©

314623181 credit

Provides an overview of safety, health, and environmental issues as they relate to industry. Various types of hazards and the controls and equipment used to reduce risks from hazards are discussed. Focuses on understanding the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and its function as well as other regulatory and enforcement agencies associated with industrial safety, health, and the environment.

Shielded Metal Arc Welding: Introduction

314423152 credits

Begins to build the knowledge and skills of the SMAW process commonly known as stick welding. Students are able to weld in several positions, read some basic weld symbols, and have a basic understanding of written welding procedures.

Weld Inspections and Testing

10442163.....1 credit

Emphasizes measurement of weld defects and assessment of weld quality conformance to common welding codes. Students conduct etch tests, bend tests, and break tests on welds. Visual inspection, dye penetrant testing, and magnetic particle testing are practiced.

Weld Testing for GMAW & FCAW

31442311.....1 credit

Learners will execute weldments, in multiple positions, leading to bend tests for the GMAW and FCAW processes. Weldments will be certified and conducted to AWS (American Welding Society) standards, meeting requirements for Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services certification. Upon successful completion of bend tests, learners will choose one process to submit for certification.

Weld Testing for SMAW & GTAW

314424121 credit

Learners will execute weldments, in multiple positions, leading to bend tests for the SMAW and GTAW processes. Weldments will be certified and conducted to AWS (American Welding Society) standards, meeting requirements for Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services certification. Upon successful completion of bend tests, learners will choose one process to submit for certification.

Welding Fabrication Techniques

104421152 credits

Students fabricate parts from prints and weld assemblies with a specified welding process. Cutting and forming may be required prior to assembly. Depending on the size and complexity of the project, students may be asked to work in a team to complete an assignment.

Welding Foundations 1

314423201 credit

An introduction to fundamental welding techniques with an emphasis on safe work habits that covers the processes of FCAW, GMAW, and OXY-Fuel cutting. Classroom instruction paired with lab activities are designed to provide fundamental skills in each of the welding processes covered in the class.

Welding Foundations 2

31442321.....1 credit

An introduction to fundamental welding techniques with an emphasis on safe work habits that covers the processes of GTAW, SMAW and Plasma cutting. Classroom instruction pared with lab activities are designed to provide fundamental skills in each of the welding processes covered in the class.