

WASHTENAW COMMUNITY COLLEGE (WCC)

For over 40 years, WCC's open-door admissions policy, affordable tuition rates, and high-quality courses have attracted students from local communities and around the world. More than 22,000 register for credit courses each year, and thousands more enroll in non-credit LifeLong Learning courses.

WCC's diverse student body includes more than 1,000 students from over 100 foreign countries. WCC also emphasizes convenience. It offers courses seven days a week, at night, and online. And transferring is easy because WCC has agreements with four-year schools throughout Michigan. WCC also has an agreement in place with the National Labor College in Silver Spring, Maryland.

Through their School of Apprenticeship Studies, WCC faculty and staff work with a number of international building trade unions with a primary focus on degree programs for apprentices, journeymen, instructors, supervisors.

Washtenaw Community College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association.



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ENROLLING IN THIS DEGREE PROGRAM CONTACT:



School of Apprenticeship Studies
Washtenaw Community College
4800 East Huron River Drive
Ann Arbor, MI 48105-4800
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FOR QUESTIONS RELATED TO YOUR IRONWORKER COURSES DURING THE ANNUAL PROGRAM, CONTACT:



Ironworkers International
Apprenticeship and
Training Department
1750 New York Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20006
Phone: 202-383-4870



Associate of Applied Science in Industrial Training for Ironworker Coordinators and Instructors



Main College Website:
www.wccnet.edu

Ironworkers at WCC Website:
www.wccnet.edu/unions/iron-workers/



Washtenaw Community College
Ann Arbor, Michigan

ABOUT THE PROGRAM



This degree program gives journeymen of the International Association of Bridge, Structural, Ornamental and

Reinforcing Ironworkers the opportunity to apply their work as apprentice instructors and coordinators toward an Associate's Degree in Applied Science in Industrial Training. Students will complete the general education courses, complete courses during approximately five summer training programs, and receive credits for their apprenticeship program courses.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The credits needed to fulfill the requirements for the degree include:

- › 60 credits minimum are required for an associate degree
- › 15 of these credits must be taken from Washtenaw Community College in order to receive the degree. WCC online courses meet this residency requirement.

DEGREE COMPONENTS

There are three components of the degree program:

Apprenticeship: Students will receive 19 or 26 credits for completion of an Ironworker apprenticeship depending upon the total number of classroom hours of training.

The Ironworkers International and the Department of Labor require a minimum of 204 hours of classroom instruction each year. For a three-year program this is 612 hours and for a four-year program 816 hours. Ironworkers from Local Unions with total hours ranging from 612 hours to 714 hours (as indicated in their Apprenticeship Standards) will receive 19 credits. Ironworkers from Local Unions with total hours ranging from 715 hours to 816 or more hours (as indicated in their Apprenticeship Standards) will receive 26 credits.

Student must supply a copy of their journeyman card along with a transcript of courses completed during their apprenticeship. While a transcript from an electronic system is preferred (i.e., the International's Apprentice Tracking System or ATS), in lieu of a transcript the Local Union apprenticeship coordinator may write a letter listing all of the courses completed by the individual during his or her apprenticeship. The coordinator must also indicate the total number of classroom hours completed by the student.

Major Requirement: 15 credits for successfully completing approximately 5 years of the annual training program (approximately 3 credits awarded for successful completion of each year). Note that 7.5 credits will be awarded for the "required" professional development courses and the Ironworker history course. The remaining 7.5 credits will come from other technical and computer courses selected by the student. These courses in the major do not meet the degree residency requirement.

General Education: 21-26 credits of general education courses (7 courses total including one each in Writing, Speech, Social Science, Arts & Humanities, Math, Natural Science, and Computer Proficiency). Note that one additional elective will be required for students who received 19 credits for their apprenticeship. The specific number of credits received will be determined by which courses are selected

by the student. All of these courses may be completed online. These online courses meet the above mentioned residency requirement.

TRANSFER CREDITS

Once the residency requirement of 15 credits is met, other credits may be transferred from another institution. Prior college credits need to meet the following criteria:

- › Credits must be obtained at an accredited two-year or four-year institution
- › Student must earn a C or better grade in the course
- › Course contains equivalent college-level subject matter

Admission of New Students – How To Get Started

Students will complete the WCC admissions and basic skills requirements by passing an Introduction to Online Learning course. This course can be taken online at any time for \$25. Registration can be done online at the following website:

<http://tinyw.cc/intro-unions>

This course will also familiarize the student with WCC's online classroom, known as Blackboard, and orientate the student to the college. Passing this course is required before students can take online courses.

