

The Technical Skills program provides students with skills across multiple technical and trade disciplines for job placement or advancement based on their individual needs and career goals. It provides a variety of knowledge and hands-on experience for individuals looking to increase specific technical and soft skills.

SKILLS & APPLICATIONS

Students in this highly-customizable program can mix and match the following skills to build their credential: welding, corrosion technology, agriculture, livestock production, meat evaluation, criminal justice, private security, business, and more.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Students completing the Technical Skills program of study will be ready to run a small business or gain employment or advancement in a variety of high-wage fields across Montana. These include constuction, oil, safety, transportation, technology, maintenance, agriculture, business, or other related occupations. Generally, workers in these fields earn salaries well above the state average. Additionally, people with an associate degree, regardless of the specific discipline, are less likely to be unemployed and make, on average, 20% more than workers with only a high school diploma.

PROGRAMS OF STUDY

The Technical Skills program's stacked credential approach provides students with flexibility and multiple options for completion that build upon one another.

Certificate of Technical Studies (CTS) Tiers I-IV - 12-15 credits each Each semester, students may earn a CTS by completing 12-15 credits in technical courses.

Certificate of Applied Science (CAS) - 30 credits

The CAS is awarded following completion of 30-35 credits (two semesters). Students will earn 17-22 technical credits and complete the following sugguested core courses: DCC101-Dawson College Success, WRIT101-College Writing I, CAPP131-Basic MS Office, M111-Technical Math, BMGT237-Human Relations in Business.

Associate of Applied Science (AAS) - 60 credits

To earn an AAS, students will complete all requirements for the CAS, an additional 26-34 technical credits, and a 1-credit First Aid/CPR course.





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