

**Course Code:** AFD 231

**Course Title:** Fuel and Emissions Diagnosis

**Department:** Applied Sciences and Technologies

**Effective Date:** Summer 2026

**PCS Code:** 1.2 - Occupational/Technical Instruction

**CIP Code:** 47.0604

**Repeatability:** 0

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## Credit Hours

**Catalog Notation:** 3-2-4

**Credit Hour Distribution:**

Lecture: 3

Lab: 2

Clinical: 0

**Total: 4**

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## General Course Information

### Catalog Description

Diagnosis and service of electronic and computer systems using appropriate tools; analysis of fuel systems; vehicle adjustments; assessment of operation and maintenance of emission control systems. Drivability diagnosis emphasized.

### General Course Objectives

Students will learn the latest techniques for automotive fuel and ignition systems.

### Minimum Placement Levels

English	Reading	Math
Placement into ENG 098	Placement into CCS 098	Placement into MAT 060

### Prerequisites

Credit in AFD 111 or AFD 298

### Methods of Evaluation

The minimum number of evaluation methods will include: 2 exams, 5 quizzes, and 1 lab practical.

### Instructional Materials and Additional Supplies

Advanced Engine Performance Diagnosis, Halderman, Pearson, 2015. 0133515052

## Course Content

### General Learning Outcomes (GLOs)

- Reasoning and Inquiry: Students will demonstrate the ability to solve problems using deductive reasoning and logic, quantitative reasoning, or the scientific method.
- Technology: Students will demonstrate the ability to evaluate, select, and appropriately use current and emerging tools.

### Course Segments and Student Learning Outcomes

Course Segment	Learning Outcomes	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
Operation and Function of the Automotive Oscilloscope	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Operate an automotive oscilloscope.</li> <li>Demonstrate the operation of a handheld oscilloscope.</li> </ol>	1	1	0
Automotive Ignition Diagnosis by Oscilloscope and Scan Tool	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interpret the primary pattern for coil, condenser, points, and bypass resistance malfunctions.</li> <li>Interpret the secondary pattern for rotor, cap, ignition wires, and spark plug malfunctions.</li> <li>Interpret the patterns of solid state ignition systems.</li> </ol>	2	1	0
Faulty Component Replacement and Tune-up Procedures	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyze all ignition system components.</li> <li>Test all malfunctioning components and compare to factory specifications.</li> <li>Read and interpret automotive tune-up manuals.</li> </ol>	2	2	0
Fuel Delivery Systems	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyze fuel storage systems.</li> <li>Analyze fuel delivery systems, both electric and mechanical.</li> <li>Analyze fuel monitoring systems.</li> </ol>	6	5	0
On-Board Diagnostic (OBD) II Emissions Systems	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyze OBD II emissions data.</li> <li>Use OBD II emissions data to make a correct diagnosis.</li> <li>Repair the system using a scan tool.</li> </ol>	5	5	0
Emission Control Systems and Devices	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain the theory of the five major families of emission control systems.</li> <li>Identify the major pollutants emitted by the internal combustion engine.</li> <li>Identify alternative fuel sources.</li> </ol>	8	4	0
Emission Control System Testing for Proper Operation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Test the following emission systems for proper regulation: a) positive crankcase ventilation (PCV), b) spark timing control, c) air injection, d) exhaust gas recirculation (EGR), e) catalytic converter, and f) enhanced evaporative emission control system (EVAP).</li> </ol>	6	8	0
Fuel Injection Theory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Study the design and operation of fuel injection systems.</li> </ol>	7	0	0
Electronic Fuel Injection Testing	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Test fuel injection systems for: a) fuel delivery and pressure, b) on/off operation, c) injector flow, and d) electrical function.</li> </ol>	8	4	0

#### Total Contact Hours

Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
45	30	0