

Course Code: WLX 115

Course Title: Introduction to 7018 Arc Welding

Department: Applied Sciences and Technologies

Effective Date: Summer 2026

PCS Code: 1.2 - Occupational/Technical Instruction

CIP Code: 48.0508

Repeatability: 0

Credit Hours

Catalog Notation: 0.5-1-1

Credit Hour Distribution:

Lecture: 0.5

Lab: 1

Clinical: 0

Total: 1

General Course Information

Catalog Description

Introductory theory and practice in shielded metal arc welding. Includes shielded metal arc welding in all positions on plate steel with 7018 electrodes, with emphasis on skill development.

General Course Objectives

To develop in students safe working habits, the ability to select, maintain, and use arc welders; a working knowledge of, and an appreciation for, welding and its effect on industry; a foundation of basic knowledge which may be used both vocationally and avocationally; and the self-confidence to systematically evaluate situations to make sound decisions based on this evaluation. Utilization of E-7018 electrode.

Minimum Placement Levels

English	Reading	Math
Placement into ENG 098	Placement into CCS 098	Placement into MAT 059

Prerequisites

None

Methods of Evaluation

Completion of 10 lab assignments to evaluate competency level.

Online assessments over course content.

Instructional Materials and Additional Supplies

Cobra with Tooling-U Content

Access to a device capable of accessing Cobra and Tooling-U content.

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.

Course Segments and Student Learning Outcomes

Course Segment	Learning Outcomes	Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
Welding Safety	1. Demonstrate and observe proper safety procedures at all times while using electric arc equipment. 2. Identify the equipment and materials essential for safe welding. 3. Explain the safety precautions for electric arc welding. 4. Describe the proper clothing to be worn in the welding shop.	2	2	0
Arc Welding Theory, Practice, and Equipment	1. Explain how fusion is achieved in electric arc welding. 2. Explain five items which affect the quality of a weld. 3. Explain how molten metal is transferred from the electrode to the plate. 4. List the safety precautions to be taken in electric arc welding.	2	4	0
Welding Rod and Electrode Arc Selection	1. Explain the American Welding Society (AWS) code for oxyacetylene welding rods. 2. Explain the four parts to the AWS electrode identification code. 3. Cite examples of the uses for E-6010, E-6011, and E-7018 electrodes.	0.5	1	0
Off-position Welding	1. Explain each of the four off positions in welding. 2. List the major problems which may be encountered in off-position welding. 3. Explain how to counter the effects of the above-mentioned problems on the weld. 4. Reproduce the techniques used in arc welding in each of the off positions.	1.5	3	0
Gas Tungsten Arc Welding (GTAW)/Tungsten Inert Gas Welding (TIG)	1. Describe the parts of the GTAW equipment. 2. Explain how GTAW welding is done.	0.5	1.5	0
Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW)/Wire Welding	1. Describe the parts of the GMAW equipment. 2. Explain how GMAW welding is accomplished. 3. Compare and contrast the Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW), GMAW, and GTAW welding processes.	0.5	1.5	0
Inspecting and Testing Welds	1. Identify common weld problems. 2. Describe possible causes and solutions to the problems. 3. Describe the D1.1 structural steel code bend test. 4. Describe the bend tests and the tensile strength test, and list the failures these tests may cause.	0.5	2	0

Total Contact Hours

Lecture Hours	Lab Hours	Clinical Hours
7.5	15	0