

Pine Technical & Community College

Welding Technology

- **Diploma**
Welding Technology
- **Certificate**
Manufacturing Foundations

The Welding Technology program will provide students with hands-on skills and technical training in the areas of GMAW, SMAW, GTAW, flux cored arc, and pulse arc welding processes. Skills are also developed in the oxy fuel and plasma cutting processes. Related areas of instruction include interpretation of engineering drawings, blueprint reading, metallurgy, and the American Welding Society (AWS) standard welding symbol interpretation. An integral part of the skills training is qualification and certification testing.

In their coursework, students will identify and display proper safety procedures; analyze and apply specific manufacturing process procedures; identify and apply specific quality procedures; identify and select the proper filler metal dependent on the base metal to be welded; troubleshoot and solve common problems involved with everyday use of a welding machine; fabricate several welding projects to demonstrate expected skills required by industry standards; interpret symbols and blueprints accurately for a variety of projects; and understand and recognize the need to engage in lifelong learning.

COLLEGE CATALOG 2025-26

Recommended Course Sequence for Completion in 1 Year

Fall Semester 1

WELD 1566 Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW)/ Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW).....	4
WELD 1562 Oxyfuel Welding and Cutting Process	2
CMAE 1518 Manufacturing Processes.....	2
CMAE 1514 Safety Awareness.....	2
CMAE 1522 Quality Practices	2
CMAE 1526 Maintenance Awareness	2
CCPD 1010 Success Strategies for College and Professional Development.....	2
Total Credits	16

Manufacturing Foundations Certificate Earned!

Spring Semester 1

WELD 1568 Gas Tungsten Arc Welding (GTAW)	4
WELD 1564 Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW).....	4
WELD 1570 Metallurgy and Mechanical Properties of Metals.....	1
WELD 1558 Print Reading for Welders	2
WELD 1580 Welding Technology Capstone Project or WELD 1585 Welding Internship.....	3
MATH 1251 Technical Math.....	3
Total Credits	17
TOTAL DIPLOMA CREDITS	33

Welding Technology Diploma Earned!

Stackable Credits

While completing the 33-credit diploma, you will also earn the Manufacturing Foundations certificate after the first semester.

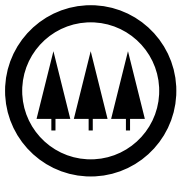
Career Outlook

Welding and manufacturing professionals are in high demand in Minnesota. Pine Technical & Community College's Welding Technology diploma will give you the education and hands-on experience to prepare you for a high paying career in just one year. Our faculty are experienced in the industry and will provide you with the training employers want.

According to the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development, welders enjoy a 5-star demand rating, and the median wage for welders is \$22.41 – higher than the national average.

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Get the Credit You Deserve!

What is Credit for Prior Learning (CPL)?

Pine Technical & Community College (PTCC) values learning that happens outside of the classroom. Many students enrolling at PTCC bring with them a wealth of knowledge and real-world experiences that can be turned into college credit.

Ways students can gain Credit for Prior Learning:

- Job skills and work experience
- Employer training programs
- Volunteer or community services
- Self-study
- Military education and occupations
- Industry certifications
- High school articulate college credit
- Standardized exams

Earning Credit for Prior Learning is Easy

1. Visit the CPL website at mycpl.minnstate.edu to see a full list of eligible courses, requirements, and assessment methods to determine if CPL is right for you.
2. Reach out to records@pine.edu to discuss CPL opportunities, payment (if required), and assessment information.

New to PTCC? Visit Campus!

- Take a campus tour
- Learn about scholarships
- Meet the admissions team
- Tour housing and The REC

Book an appointment to explore PTCC!

Sign up to visit in person, or virtually, to learn more about PTCC programs, admissions requirements, housing options, and more.



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