Educational Advisory Council Recommendation

Subject:

2. ACERTP-MFAB: Metal Fabrication Customized Less Than One-Year Career Pathway Certificate – 12cr.

Relevant EAC Standing committee:

☐ Academic Policies & Standards Committee (APS)  ☐ Curriculum Committee (CC)
☒ Degrees and Certificates Committee (DAC)  ☐ Membership Committee (MC)
☐ Student Development Committee (SDC)

Brief summary of recommendation:

SAC Rationale:

The Welding Department completed a comprehensive review of the welding curriculum at the course level. The addition of these certificates allows students to bundle the revised courses into more industry specific customized Less Than One-Year Career Pathway Certificates. As with all Career Pathways Certificates, these lead to a specific career and all courses are contained in the Welding Technology AAS Degree.

Welding is a skill used by many trades: sheet metal workers, ironworkers, boilermakers, carpenters, steamfitters, glaziers and repair and maintenance personnel in applications ranging from the home hobbyist to heavy fabrication of bridges, ships and many other projects. A variety of welding processes are used to join units of metal.

The Welding Technology Program has been developed specifically as an open entry and open exit (OEOE) program. The program is designed to fit the needs of a student (take as few or as many courses as desired), and have the following characteristics: open entry (enter at any time during the term); self-paced (learn at your own pace); flexible (select your own attendance schedule); individualized (a program can be tailor-made to fit specific needs); and, open exit (leave the program when you have met your training goals/needs).


On 3/30/2016, The EAC Voted to Recommend Approval
Signatures below represent the support and/or approval of this recommendation; the signature of a committee chair represents the support of the respective committee.

Sueann Hall
Chair of relevant EAC standing committee
4/4/16 Date

Joyce E. Ogany
Educational Advisory Council Chair
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Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs
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Sylvia Wilson
Portland Community College President
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