

Office of the President

December 16, 2020

Dr. Belle Wheelan, President Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, GA 30033

Dear Dr. Wheelan,

In keeping with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools' Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement, St. Philip's College would like to notify you of a substantive change to be implemented fall of 2021. The change relates to Substantive Change Procedure Three for closing a program.

Manufacturing Operations Technician Associate of Applied Science (AAS) will no longer be offered following the 2020-2021 catalog year. This degree program remained active based on an agreement with Continental Motors, which has now expired. Of the last cohort of 11 students who entered the program, nine have completed, and two remain in the pipeline. There is a teach-out term of Summer 2022 for the Associate of Applied Science allowing these two students to complete required courses and the degree. No subsequent cohorts are enrolled.

No faculty or staff are impacted by this change, as they continue to be employed by the College and duties continue to support other Manufacturing programs.

The teach-out plan is attached.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions or concerns regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Adena Williams Loston, Ph.D.

President

CC: Dr. Melissa Guerrero, SPC SACSCOC Liaison

Teach-out Plan

Manufacturing Operations Technician (AAS) will no longer be offered following the 2020-2021 catalog year. This degree program remained active based on an agreement with Continental Motors, which has now expired. Of the last cohort of 11 students who had entered the program, nine have completed and two remain in the pipeline that still need four technical courses. There is a teach-out term of Summer 2022 for the degree allowing these two students to complete required courses and complete the program. No subsequent cohorts were enrolled.

The current director overseeing the Manufacturing Operations Technician AAS program will not be affected by the removal of the Manufacturing Operations Technician AAS program because under Manufacturing, there are other degree options offered, taught, and managed. All current duties remain intact for the director.

Faculty will not be affected. All faculty continue to teach their respective courses for the Manufacturing program.

No staff will be affected. The administrative assistant continues to assist the Manufacturing program and performs the same administrative duties, tasks, and processes for multiple programs.

Manufacturing Operations Technician AAS did not have any teach-out agreements with other institutions.

Faculty and staff will not be redeployed or need assistance in finding new employment. All faculty continue to teach their respective courses for the Manufacturing program. The administrative assistant maintains her position with the Manufacturing program and other programs within the division of Applied Science and Technology-Southwest Campus.

St. Philip's College, the sponsoring institution for the Manufacturing Operations Technician AAS program, is not closing. St. Philip's College remains a functioning SACSCOC accredited institution and continues to serve as a community college in San Antonio, Texas.

Manufacturing Operations Technician AAS

The Manufacturing Operations Technician AAS is designed to prepare students for careers as maintenance technicians in high performance manufacturing environments. The program provides training in Fluid Power, Programmable Logic Controls and Welding, among other skill areas.

Semester I

MCHN 1320 - Precision Tools and Measurement

MCHN 1302 - Print Reading for Machining Trade

MCHN 1438 - Basic Machine Shop I

INMT 2303 - Pumps, Compressors and Mechanical Drives

MATH 1332 - Contemporary Mathematics (Quantitative Reasoning) or a course from Mathematics (20) Core

Semester II

ELMT 1305 - Basic Fluid Power

ELPT 1319 - Fundamentals of Electricity I

RBTC 1347 - Electromechanical Devices

WLDG 1428 - Introduction to Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW)

ENGL 1301 - Composition I or a course from Communication (10) Core

Semester III

RBTC 1305 - Robotic Fundamentals

ITSC 1301 - Introduction to Computers or COSC 1301 Introduction to Computing

Semester IV

RBTC 2347 - Computer Integrated Manufacturing

ELPT 2419 - Programmable Logic Controllers I

ELPT 1441 - Motor Control

ARTS 1301 - Art Appreciation or a course from Creative Arts (50) Core

ECON 1301 - Introduction to Economics or a course from Social and Behavioral Sciences (80) Core

Semester V

MCHN 2266 - Practicum (or Field Experience) - Machine Tool Technology/Machinist

PHYS 1305 - Introductory Physics I Lecture or a course from Life and Physical Sciences (30) Core

Total Credit Hours Required: 60

Teach-out course offerings

The two students still in the pipeline need four courses to complete the degree. The courses are WLDG 1428, ELPT 2419, ELPT 1441, and RBTC 1305. All four courses will be offered every semester until the teach-out term of Summer 2022.