Welding Technology

West-MEC 2026-27

Post-Secondary Opportunities Information

POST-SECONDARY OPPORTUNITIES

- Dual enrollment and/or PLA (Prior Learning Assessment) credits provide a seamless pathway to one or more Welding Certificate of Completion (CCL), an Associate in Applied Science (AAS) in Welding.
- Bachelor's in Strategic Leadership (BS) at Northern Arizona University (NAU) https://nau.edu/statewide-campuses/90-30-degree-completion-programs/
- ASU Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) Degree options

COURSES AND CREDITS

Mesa Community College Dual Enrollment Credits are available at Central, Northeast, Southwest, and Agua Fria Career Academy Campuses

Dual Enrollment is not available to high school graduates and students with a GED

- 1st Semester ($500.00)
  - WLD106AA Introduction to SMAW (5 credits)
- 2nd Semester ($985.00)
  - WLD106AB SMAW 6010 Plate (5 credits)
  - WLD106AC SMAW 7018 Plate (5 credits)
- 3rd Semester ($500.00)
  - WLD206AD Advanced GTAW Ferrous (5 credits)
- 4th Semester ($791.00)
  - WLD206AB Advanced GMAW and FCAW (5 credits)
  - WLD150Welding Blueprint Reading (3 credits)

To earn a Welding Certificate of Completion (CCL), students must complete the following courses: WLD 106AA and any one other WLD course. (2 courses for this CCL)

To earn a Welding Fundamentals Certificate of Completion (CCL), students must complete the following courses: WLD106AA and WLD106AB OR WLD106AC and WLD206AB and WLD206AD. (4 courses for this CCL)

To earn a Welding Shielded Metal Arc SMAW Plate Certificate of Completion (CCL), students must complete WLD 106AA and WLD106AC. (2 courses for this CCL)

Mesa Community College Prior Learning Assessment Credits are available to all students

  - WLD208AC FCAW Code Welding (5 credits)
  - WLD208AA SMAW Code Welding (5 credits)
- Completion of the West-MEC Welding program and the Welding certifications will grant 10 college credits (at no cost), upon acceptance and enrollment into the following degree program:
  - https://www.mesacc.edu/programs/welding

COST REQUIREMENTS

Mesa Community College Dual Enrollment

- $15 registration fee per semester
- $97 per credit hour due soon after classes begin
  - Cost based upon meeting Maricopa residency and U.S. citizen/legal residency criteria (Must complete "Maricopa Community Colleges Student Declaration of Citizenship or Status" form. Visit www.maricopa.edu/residency)

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- For dual enrollment grant availability, check with the Maricopa Community Colleges and West-MEC.
- Courses taken under dual enrollment may impact federal financial aid eligibility. To obtain additional information, students are encouraged to inquire with the college or university where they intend to enroll.

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- No cost for this PLA opportunity; it is mandatory to earn the industry certification to receive PLA credit
    - https://www.mesacc.edu/programs/welding

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

- Students who withdraw from the West-MEC program may receive college credit based on the number of completed courses.
- In a post-secondary setting, students are responsible for learning the policies of the institution to ensure that credits transfer to fulfill specific degree requirements. Visit www.aztransfer.com for Arizona colleges and universities.
- Dual Enrollment credits on each campus may vary based on West-MEC faculty qualifications

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