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New Occupational Endorsement

Occupational Endorsement Entry Level Welder

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NEW OCCUPATIONAL ENDORSEMENT REQUEST

(UA Regulation 10.04.02)

I. Cover Memorandum

A. Name of person preparing request

Brian Rencher

3. Student learning outcomes assessment and implementation plan

Intended Outcomes

- 1.Students will pass all classes with a "C" or better.
- 2. Students should be capable of passing American Welding society plate welding certification test after completion of classes.
- 3. Students will gain employment or admission into a trade apprenticeship.

Assessment Criteria and procedures

- 1. Classroom assignments, both practical and written.
- 2. Welding certification test will be administered on request by testing personnel.
- 3. Annual survey after completion of Welding Endorsement, used to track employment success/further training.

<u>Implementation</u>

- 1. Instructors will monitor students' progress and advise students of their progress, provided extra assistance if needed.
- 2. Welding test results are generally available within 24 hours depending on the type of testing procedure.
- 3. The Welding Dept. will prepare the survey ready for use after the endorsement is instated and welders have completed the program.

4. Review signature of preparation

As per attached	
Brett Helms Plumber and Pipefitters Local 375, Apprenticeship Coordinator TVC Welding Advisory Council Representative	Date
As per attached	
Missy Lizotte Alaska Department of Labor, State Representative and Apprenticeship Specialist TVC Welding Advisory Council Representative	Date
As Per Attached	

	Signatures for approval:	
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II. <u>Identification of the Endorsement (</u>All pages should be numbered.)

A. Description of the Occupational Endorsement

1. Occupational Endorsement title

Entry Level Welder

2. Admissions requirements and prerequisites

Students accepted into this occupational endorsement must:

- a. Document High School Diploma, GED or be 18 years of age or older (It is highly recommended that students obtain either a high school diploma or GED as this is an industry standard, required by most employers, and is a prerequisite for application to any union sponsored apprenticeship program.)
- b. Be in good physical condition, and be able to lift 40 lbs.
- c. Demonstrate sufficient math skills to attend TTCH F131.
- 3. Course descriptions of required catalog courses. (Endorsements use existing courses.)

WMT 103 3 Credits Welding I Fundamentals and Safety

Entry level course in safety, basic oxyacetylene welding, arc welding and flame cutting. Attendance at first two classes is mandatory. Materials fee: (to be announced) offered Fall, Spring

WMT 105 3 Credits Welding II Basic Welding

Arc welding techniques and basic MIG and TIG welding. Attendance at first two classes is mandatory. Materials fee: \$275. (Prerequisite: WMT 103 or permission of instructor.) (3 + 0) Offered Fall, Spring

WMT 130 3 Credits Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW)

- 4. Requirements for the endorsement.
 - a. Proposed Catalog Layout

more involved with technology fewer of them are choosing welding as a career, despite the prospects of good wages, and this has left employers searching to find personnel to fill their open positions. Taking one or two random welding classes is not sufficient to gain employment as a welder. Employers need entry level personnel with at least a minimum skill level sufficient to work safely and productively without constant supervision. It is not possible for new employees to 'train on the job' when a stringent minimum quality control standard must be met in every piece of work. The State of Alaska Department of Labor forecasts 15% growth in new construction jobs through 2012, and 1000 new workers will be needed each year to replace retirees and keep pace with demand. This Endorsement will provide employers with an assurance that the basic skills are in place for those positions that utilize welding.

3. Occupational/other competencies to be achieved

Students will successfully complete all the coursework in the Entry Level Welder Occupational Endorsement, and will be able to obtain at least one basic welding certification.

4. Relationship of courses to the endorsement objectives

In choosing the courses for the Entry Level Welder Occupational Endorsement the Department has picked those which, when taken as part of a recognized group, will provide all the skills required for an entry level position in the field. Course content is the result of input from welding professionals with many collective years of experience in the field whose backgrounds include supervision, management, and quality control, as well as hands-on welding.

C. Student Learning Outcomes Assessment Plan and identification of the individual (by position) who will be responsible for the direction of its implementation.

a. Student Learning Outcomes Assessment Plan.

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	b. Responsibility for implementation.			

Responsibility for documentation will reside with the Welding and Materials Technology Program of Tanana Valley Campus. The Coordinator of the program, currently Brian Rencher will maintain responsibility for documentation and implementation. Records for all students will be maintained in the TVC Welding and Materials Technology office. Records maintained

C. Plans for phasing out endorsement if it proves unsuccessful

Should the Entry Level Welder Endorsement be unsuccessful it will be canceled. All the courses required are already regularly offered to the general student population so the phasing out of the Endorsement could take place while allowing already enrolled students to complete unfinished coursework. It is unlikely that the need would arise to cancel this Endorsement since there is a continued steady demand for welders.

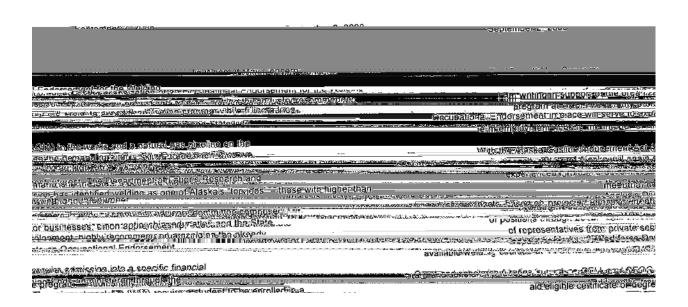
- **D. Assessment of the endorsement.** (Include a Student Outcomes Assessment Plan.)
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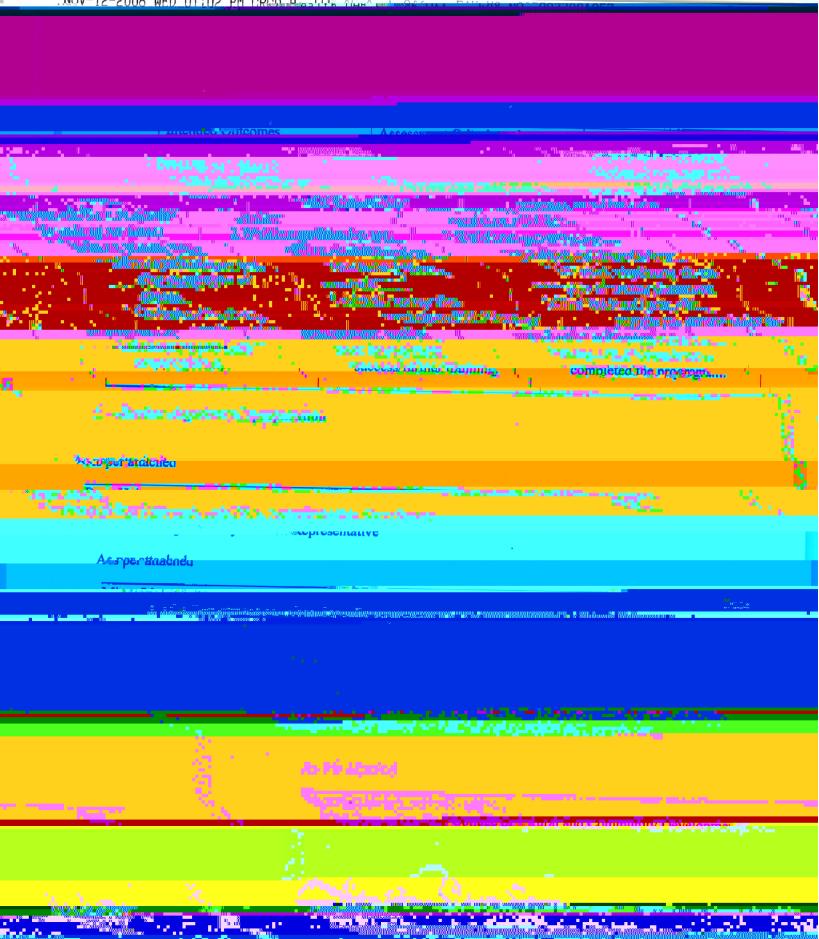


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