



Automotive General Service (GST) Technician –IBEST

Certificate of Proficiency (CP)

Planning Guide 2017-2018

EPC 7127

Program Information:

Length of Program: 45 Credits – 3 quarters

Completion Award: Certificate of Proficiency

Approximate Quarterly Costs: \$63
(in addition to tuition, books and parking)

Website: www.shoreline.edu/auto

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Program Description:

The Certificate of Proficiency is designed to prepare students for careers in the automotive service industry. Shoreline Community College works closely with local advisory committees and industry professionals to ensure students receive the knowledge and skills currently in demand by employers in the field. Students interested in pursuing additional education opportunities should review industry specific A.A.A.S. degrees and the Engineering AS-DTA transfer degree planning guide.

Automotive General Service Technician —What is it?

The General Service Technician (GST) program is a three-quarter job training program designed primarily for students interested in introductory automotive training. This program includes integrated basic education skills training (IBEST) and is team-taught by an automotive instructor and a basic education skills instructor. English as a Second Language students or students who desire further basic skills development are encouraged to apply. For the third quarter internship, students find jobs in dealerships, independent auto repair shops, or other automotive businesses. Students earn a certificate of proficiency upon graduation

Program Outcomes:

Students who successfully complete this program **-by achieving a GPA of 2.0 or better for the entire program-**should be able to:

1. Develop employable skills for success in an entry-level automotive technician position
2. Perform common maintenance and inspection procedures for scheduled services of all automotive systems
3. Demonstrate fundamental principles of the eight automotive systems: Engine, Manual Transmission and Axles, Brakes, Heating and Air Conditioning, Automatic Transmission, Suspension and Steering, Electrical/ Electronic Control, and Engine Performance
4. Identify and apply safe work practices on vehicle systems, tools, equipment, lifts, ventilation, and hazardous waste disposal
5. Utilize service information systems to obtain specifications and proper service and maintenance procedures

Career Opportunities—What can I do with a Certificate as a General Service Technician

The job outlook for general service technicians is projected to remain strong over the next decade. Graduates may be hired as entry level automotive service technicians and mechanics.

Potential employers include: Retail and wholesale automotive dealer; Independent automotive repair shops; Automotive service facilities at department; automotive, and home supply stores; Gasoline service stations; Taxicab and automobile leasing companies; Federal, state, local governments, and company fleets. For more, please visit career information and resources at www.shoreline.edu/acc/CareerCounseling.aspx.

Program Prerequisites:

CASAS test score of 220; ESL Level 5 or higher; Instructor interview; permission to register; valid driver’s license; proof of insurability, i.e., Dept. of Licensing driving record; some employers require drug testing.<text>

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3 Quarter Program Requirements			
Courses	QTR	GR	CR
First Quarter:			
AUTOT 121 General Service Tech I			18
Second Quarter:			
AUTOT 122 General Service Tech II			18
Third Quarter:			
AUTOT 190 GST Internship			9

Recommendations:

<i>APPROVAL TO GRADUATE</i>	
_____ <i>Student Name & SID</i>	_____ <i>Date</i>
_____ <i>Faculty Advisory</i>	_____ <i>Date</i>
_____ <i>Division Dean</i>	_____ <i>Date</i>
_____ <i>Credential Approval</i>	_____ <i>Date</i>

Note: Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information in this publication. However, the information is subject to change without notice and final career decisions are the responsibility of the student.