Manchester Community College Offers Manufacturing Program

Manchester Community College will offer a pre-manufacturing certification program, beginning in May. The 300-hour program will run through August and is designed to provide students with real-world shop experience, according to a news release.

Coursework includes an overview of various functions in a manufacturing environment with an emphasis on job readiness, the release said. Along with classroom instruction, students learn the basics of operating conventional machinery.

Coursework includes manufacturing concepts, workplace communication, computer applications and introductory levels of measurement, bench work, manufacturing math, blueprint reading and interpretation, and lean manufacturing, according to the release.

Students who successfully complete MCC's spring program and want to become precision machinists may proceed into the more advanced classes in the precision machining certificate program, or enroll in technology studies at MCC, the release said.

The spring program also provides an opportunity to meet local employers through tours of nearby manufacturing plants and to obtain internships, the release said.

Cost of books and tuition totals about $3,200, but funding is available for eligible unemployed and under-employed applicants, the release said.

Registration is now open, and the spring program has space for 16 students. Another series of classes will begin in September. For more information, visit http://www.mcc.commnet.edu/manufacturing, or call 860-512-2800. To register, call Ed Dombroski at 860-512-2814.

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