The Anoka Technical College Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Architectural Technology is a 60-credit program. The program consists of technical courses designed to develop skills which can be applied to a wide variety of careers in the design-construction industry including employment with architectural and engineering firms, residential builders and construction material suppliers. In addition to drafting and detailing skills, the student receive training in related areas such as construction estimating, building codes, building mechanical and electrical systems, as well as emerging technologies in energy-efficient design. Students receive hands-on training in industry standard computer-aided drafting software (AutoCAD and Revit).

Program Learning Outcomes

By completing this program, students will achieve the following learning outcomes:

- Students will demonstrate residential construction materials and methods knowledge.
- Students will demonstrate commercial construction materials and methods knowledge.
- Students will execute program/industry CAD drafting standards for residential construction drawings.
- Students will execute program/industry CAD drafting standards for commercial construction drawings.
- Students will demonstrate entry level CAD proficiency for the industry.
- Students will demonstrate understanding of the roles and responsibilities of an entry level architectural CAD technician.

Course Prerequisites

Some courses may require an appropriate test score or completion of basic math, basic English and/or reading courses with a “C” or better.

Graduation Requirements

All Anoka Technical College students seeking an Associate in Applied Science (AAS), diploma, or certificate must meet the cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 or higher.

Transfer Opportunities

To see how credits from this program may transfer into other Anoka Technical College programs or into a program at another college, visit:

- Minnesota Transfer
- Anoka Technical College transfer student

Industry Information

Graduates of the Architectural Technology AAS degree program learn skills and technology which can be applied to a wide variety of careers in the design-construction industry, including employment with architectural and engineering firms, residential builders and construction material suppliers. Drafters who gain experience and knowledge may become design drafters or senior drafters. With additional training or experience, drafters may also move into related positions, such as technical writer, sales engineer or engineering assistant.

Wages/Outlook/Advancement

Wage information is available from the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Start Dates

Fall Semester…………………………………………………………August
Spring Semester…………………………………………………January**
**Students who start in the spring will need more time to complete this program. Limited first semester technical courses are offered in the Spring semester.

MnTC General Education Requirements

Fifteen (15) credits of general education credits from the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) are required. MnTC credits must be from three different goal areas and can be completed separate from or together with the technical credit requirements.

Note: MnTC credits are not listed in your program sequence plan. Please see your faculty advisor or enrollment services for help in planning when to complete your MnTC credits.

Program Sequence

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For information on how to apply, to schedule a tour, or for service during summer hours, contact Enrollment Services at 763-576-7710 or EnrollmentServices@anokatech.edu

Also see: Architectural and Construction Technician diploma, Architectural 2D CAD, and Construction Estimating certificate