This program is designed to train students in the tools and processes used to ensure the quality of finished goods and products. Graduates of this certificate will have the skills necessary to be employed as a quality assurance inspector in a variety of manufacturing sectors. With completion of this degree, students will also obtain 11 Minnesota Transferable Credits meeting three different goal areas.

Program Learning Outcomes

Students will be able to perform the following tasks in their new career field.

- Demonstrate document control skills.
- Competently utilize tools to inspect finished goods of any kind.
- Ensure quality within the supply chain for consumer safety.
- Analysis of collected data.
- Create and maintain inspection documentation.
- Interact professionally with coworkers.
- Interpret engineering drawings utilizing Geometric Dimensioning and Tolerancing.
- Understand basic manufacturing practices.

Certifications

Upon completion of this certificate, students will be able to competently use tools and processes utilized in industry for the inspection of finished goods. Students continuing to the AAS degree combined with experience in the field will also be able to test for the American Society of Quality (ASQ) Certification for a Quality Inspector.

Course Prerequisites

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

ENGL 2105 Business & Technical Writing Prerequisite is ENGL 0102 or ENGL 0960 and READ 0900 or READ 0960 or appropriate test score

MATH 1550 Introduction to Statistics Prerequisites MATH 0900 or MATH 0950 or MATH 1080 or MATH 1400 or appropriate test score.

Industry Information

This field is under-represented in higher education and no program has the required skills in statistical analysis. Quality Inspectors are the individuals who assure that the quality of manufactured products meet the requirements of the customer and regulatory bodies. Quality inspectors work in clean, environmentally controlled areas with regulated temperature and humidity to ensure part consistency. This is a mid-level position in the field with large opportunity for advancement and increased wage growth.

Wages/Outlook/Advancement

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

Start Dates

Fall Semester.........................................................August

Program Sequence

Fall Semester..........................................................15
- ADSC 1171 Microsoft Excel ........................................2
- ENGL 2105 Business & Technical Writing ..................4
- MACH 1121 Metrology .............................................2
- MACH 1132 Blueprint Reading I ...............................3
- MATH 1550 Introduction to Statistics .........................4

Spring Semester..........................................................15
- MACH 1090 Machine Fundamentals .........................2
- MACH 1231 Blueprint Design/ CAD II .........................1
- MACH 1240 Geometric Dimensioning & Tolerancing ....3
- QUAL 1200 Measurement & Test Equipment ...............4
- QUAL 1210 Quality Concepts & Assurance .................2
- SPCH 1200 Interpersonal Communication ..................3

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Also see: Quality Technician AAS