

# Technical Studies

## Journeyworker Track



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North Dakota State College of Science

The Technical Studies – Journeyworker Track program is designed to allow advanced standing to individuals who have completed a USDOL or federally approved apprenticeship training program of at least 6000 hours (including a minimum of 400 related study hours). It is a flexible program providing students the opportunity to earn an Associate in Applied Science degree by combining their previous apprenticeship training with college credit course work. Students will work with an advisor to design their own plan of study based on their personal career goals. The completion of this program will help students develop the skills and abilities needed for advancement in their current profession.

Green technology could be a large part of a student’s customized program. In today’s market that includes “smart” buildings, sustainable building materials, alternative fuels and changing technology, students may choose to customize plans that help them gain entry into a variety of new and emerging fields.

Individuals who are currently employed and are not able to relocate will find many of their courses are available in an online format or offered by NDSCS at a distant site. Availability of classes is limited by the student’s own plan of study.

For further information, contact Russ Karlgaard, Coordinator, NDSCS Related Studies Program at 1-800-342-4325, ext. 3-2177.

To plan your course of study, contact an NDSCS Academic Counselor, at 1-800-342-4325, ext. 3-2257.

Students who wish to continue their education will find there are transfer options to four-year colleges and universities. For more information, see the Academic Counselor.

Course Code	Course Title	Credits
<b>Journey-Level Certificate</b>		
PLA 202	Prior Learning Assessment	12
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<b>General Education Courses</b>		
ENGL 110	College Composition I	3
English/Communication elective (choose one)		3
ENGL 105	Technical Communications	
ENGL 120	College Composition II	
ENGL 125	Intro. To Professional Writing	
COMM 110	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	
Mathematics and/or Science		3
Social and Behavioral Science electives		4
ECON, HIST, POLS, PSYC, SOC/SOCI, GEOG or CIS/CSCI electives.		
(NOTE: Maximum of two CIS/CSCI credits may be used for this category).		
General Education elective		3
Wellness electives		2
<b>Technical, Business and/or General Education Courses</b>		
Electives*		14
<b>TOTAL REQUIRED CREDITS</b>		<b>64</b>

\* - Individuals who have completed an approved apprenticeship program exceeding 400-hours of related studies may be granted up to 5 additional credits. (Calculated at one credit per 36-hours of instruction.) These credits will count toward the required Technical, Business and/or General Education course credits.

- Consult academic advisor in selecting electives that are most appropriate. An academic plan must be developed and approved by the Technical Studies Committee and be placed on file in the Records Office.

- Internships and cooperative education credits will not be accepted in lieu of the Technical, Business and/or General Education course credits.

PLA 202 credits will be transcribed after the successful completion of one NDSCS course.

Individuals seeking this degree will need to meet the NDSCS graduation requirement stating: At least 16 of the final 24 credits of the curriculum must be taken through NDSCS.

**Admission requirements**  
The applicants must be high school graduates or equivalent. To receive advanced standing, they must provide official documentation of a completed USDOL or federally approved apprenticeship training program of at least 6000 hours (including a minimum of 400 related study hours).

Applicants may be required to complete a basic skills evaluation during the admissions process.

**Award**  
Upon successful completion of the required courses, students will be awarded an Associate in Applied Science degree in Technical Studies.

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