

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN PILE DRIVING TECHNOLOGY (APPRENTICESHIP)



This program is offered in partnership with the Central Midwest Regional Council of Carpenters - United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America at various local training centers around the state. Students must be currently working in a registered apprenticeship program in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training.

The apprenticeship program prepares the student to earn a journey-level status in Pile Driving, as well as an Associate of Applied Science degree in Pile Driving Technology. A four-year apprenticeship emphasizes the skill set required to be a highly skilled craftsman. Pile Driving is the art of driving down piles with rigs that are large machines that resemble cranes. Work can include driving concrete and metal piling as part of a foundation system, or driving wood and concrete piling to support docks and bridges. Pile Drivers can also be found on offshore oil rigs and as commercial divers in underwater construction.

Program contact: Learn more

This degree program contains one or more embedded certificates which will be automatically awarded when the certificate requirements are completed. If you do not want to receive the embedded certificate(s), please notify the Office of the Registrar at RegistrarOffice@tri-c.edu.

Learn more about how certificate credits apply to the related degree.

Related Degrees and Certificates

- Pile Driving, Certificate of Proficiency

Program Admission Requirements

- High School Diploma/GED
- Intent-to-hire agreement with participating contractor
- Participant must be working in an apprenticeship in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training.

Next Steps to Apply

- Individuals interested in this program/certificate must reach out to the training center of your choice listed at the bottom of the Pile Driving program page on the Tri-C website.
- The union must select and admit you into the apprenticeship program first.

- Once accepted into the apprenticeship program, a Tri-C representative will work with you directly to enroll in the credit courses. Each of the classes will be held at your training center.

Program Learning Outcomes

This program is designed to prepare students to demonstrate the following learning outcomes:

1. Communicate verbally, nonverbally and in writing with the construction team that includes members of other trades, contractor and government agencies.
2. Work independently and in a team environment to accomplish the job in a timely and professional manner.
3. Recognize, analyze and apply critical thinking to resolve issues as they arise, minimize waste and improve productivity.
4. Use appropriate personal protective equipment and fall protection to ensure a safe and environmentally sensitive work environment in accordance with OSHA and other federal, state, local and contractor's standards and policies.
5. Exhibit pride of craftsmanship, reliability, commitment to the organization and take opportunities to upgrade skills.
6. Apply basic math concepts and operations and blueprint reading to accurately determine layout in order to fabricate and install various construction tasks that minimize waste.
7. Be certified in OSHA, CPR/First Aid, Scaffold, fall protection and MSDS.
8. Use cranes, vibrating hammers and drilling rigs to drive and secure various types of piling to develop foundations for bridges and commercial buildings.
9. Use appropriate equipment, sheeting and lagging in order to build permanent and temporary retaining walls for a variety of construction projects.
10. Setup and use crane(s) to support the equipment and drive various types of piling.
11. Be certified in rigging and welding.

Suggested Semester Sequence

First Semester		Credit Hours
ATCT-1301	Introduction to Carpentry	2
ATCT-1310	Carpentry Safety	2
ATMW-1340	Introduction to Pile Driving	2
ATPD-1330	Print Reading for Pile Driving	2
CNST-1281	Construction Engineering Orientation	3
Any Approved Ohio Transfer 36 Mathematics course ²		3
Select one of the following:		3
ENG-1010	College Composition I	
ENG-101H	Honors College Composition I	
Credit Hours		17
Second Semester		
ATMW-1450	Heavy Rigging	2
ATMW-1490	Millwright Pile Driver Weld I	2
ATPD-1310	Technical Measurements, Hand & Power Tool Use in Pile Driving	2
ATPD-1370	Pile Driving on Land and Water	2
CNST-1510	Green Building & Sustainability I	3

Arts & Humanities requirement	3
Select one of the following:	3
IT-1090 Computer Applications	
IT-109H Honors Computer Applications	
Credit Hours	17
Third Semester	
ATMW-2230 Millwright Pile Driver Weld II	2
ATPD-2020 Pile Driving Technologies	2
CNST-1290 Construction Print Reading	2
Communication requirement ¹	3
Social & Behavioral Science/Natural and Physical Science requirement	3
Credit Hours	12
Fourth Semester	
AIT-2990 Contracting in a Diverse World	3
ATMW-2520 Millwright PileDriver Weld III	2
ATPD-2700 Millwright-Pile Driver Weld IV	2
ATPD-2710 Millwright-Pile Driver Weld V	2
CNST-2131 Construction Methods and Materials	3
CNST-2990 Construction Estimating & Cost Analysis	3
Credit Hours	15
Total Credit Hours	61

¹ ENG-2151 Technical Writing highly recommended.

² MATH-1100 Mathematical Explorations or MATH-1240 Contemporary Mathematics taken prior to Fall 2024 will be accepted to meet Mathematics requirement.

MATH-1140, MATH-1141, MATH-1200, MATH-1270, and MATH-1280 can no longer count towards fulfilling the college-level mathematics requirement. These courses were re-classified as developmental mathematics by the state of Ohio in 2016. Tri-C established a 5-year transitioning window for students who had completed these courses prior to 2016 to apply them towards meeting graduation requirements, which expired in Summer 2021. It is highly recommended to see a counselor to determine the appropriate math required for your current major.