

MARINE, MOTORCYCLE AND POWERSPORTS TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATE - 30 CREDITS

About this program

Powersports technicians maintain, troubleshoot and repair equipment found in the powersports industry, including marine, all-terrain vehicle (ATV), snowmobile, motorcycle and lawn equipment. In this program, students perform services on modern products using specialty tools and factory-tested equipment. Along with taking factory certification exams, students learn how to plan and perform repairs according to manufacturers' recommended procedures. Students gain knowledge and hands-on experience to perform maintenance and repairs competently at the dealership level.

Program outcomes

1. Demonstrate professionalism and related soft skills.
2. Apply theory of vehicle operating systems.
3. Diagnose vehicle operating systems.
4. Repair vehicle operating systems.
5. Interpret service information.
6. Exhibit safety practices and procedures.

Curriculum overview

Crds	Requirement type
27	Required courses
3	Restricted electives in course types
30	Total

Developmental courses note: A student may be required to enroll in developmental courses in reading, writing and math. A student's scores on the Accuplacer assessment will determine enrollment in developmental courses. The purpose of developmental courses is to prepare students for the demands of a college-level curriculum. *Credits may vary.*

Accreditation: Minnesota State Community and Technical College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, a regional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. The Higher Learning Commission 230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500 Chicago, IL 60604-1411 <http://www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org> Phone: 312.263.0456 / 800.621.7440

Curriculum requirement details

Required courses

Course	Crds
PWST1000 - Introduction to PowerSports	3
PWST1002 - Snowmobile, Off Road Vehicle and Motorcycle Maintenance	3
PWST1014 - Personal Watercraft and Marine Engine Maintenance	3
PWST1017 - PowerSports Fuel Systems	3
PWST1021 - Ignition, Charging and Starter Systems	3
PWST1025 - Marine Fuel Systems	3
PWST1080 - Snowmobile Engines	3
PWST1115 - Electrical Foundations	3
PWST2304 - Motorcycles I	3

Other requirements or restricted electives

3 credits from these Course Types:

- General Education w/MnTC Goals

Course summaries

PWST1000 - Introduction to PowerSports (3 credits)

This course is the study of powersports occupational safety, shop orientation procedures, and power and hand tool usage. The use of shop equipment applications, fasteners, measuring instruments and service literature will be addressed, along with appropriate service department etiquette. Two- and four-stroke engine theory along with their proper lubricants will be covered.

PWST1002 - Snowmobile, Off Road Vehicle and Motorcycle Maintenance (3 credits)

This course is designed to train the student in proper maintenance techniques for on- and off-road land-based recreational vehicles. Students are encouraged to bring their personal recreational vehicle(s) or use the up-to-date industry products that the college offers or both. Trailer maintenance also will be covered. This is an excellent course for getting equipment ready for an upcoming winter or summer season.

PWST1014 - Personal Watercraft and Marine Engine Maintenance (3 credits)

This course is designed to train the student on proper maintenance techniques for water-based recreational vehicles. Students are encouraged to bring their personal boats, outboards or personal watercraft or use the up-to-date industry products that the college offers, or both. This is an excellent course for getting personal watercraft and boats ready for an coming spring.

PWST1017 - PowerSports Fuel Systems (3 credits)

PowerSports Fuel Systems covers the theory and operation of both carbureted and fuel injection fuel systems. Included in the course are inspection, troubleshooting, seasonal service requirements and fuel quality testing.

PWST1021 - Ignition, Charging and Starter Systems (3 credits)

This course is a continuation of the Electrical Foundation course and will cover the study of electrical systems used on power sports equipment. It will focus primarily on ignition and starting systems. Students will learn and apply the theories of ignition, induction, charging and starting systems. Emphasis will be on proper use of test equipment along with the generation and flow of electricity. Students will apply the theories of ignition, induction, charging and starting systems.

PWST1025 - Marine Fuel Systems (3 credits)

Marine Fuel Systems covers carbureted and electronic fuel injection systems on marine products. Students apply the theories of fuel system operation to both two- and four-stroke engines. Included in the course are inspection, troubleshooting, seasonal service requirements and fuel quality testing.

PWST1080 - Snowmobile Engines (3 credits)

This course covers snowmobile engine designs, component identification and engine service procedures, as well as snowmobile fuel systems and service.

PWST1115 - Electrical Foundations (3 credits)

Electrical Foundations covers the theory and practical operation of electricity. Multi-meters and test instruments are used, giving students the solid foundation they need to understand the more advanced electrical systems covered in future coursework.

PWST2304 - Motorcycles I (3 credits)

This course focuses on various types of four-cycle motorcycle and ATV engines. Students will learn engine service and maintenance procedures. Students will also learn about motorcycle fuel systems and related components.

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Program Plan — "Marine, Motorcycle & Powersports Technician"
Locations: Moorhead

1st Fall Term (15 credits)

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1st Spring Term (15 credits)

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3 credits in one or more of the following:

General Education w/MnTC Goals