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LSSC's New AS in Industrial Management Technology Receives Accreditation

Streamlines Transfer Pathway from Lake Tech to LSSC

LEESBURG, Fla. – Lake-Sumter State College's new associate degree in Industrial Management Technology, offered starting Spring 2018, has received accreditation approval from SACSCOC, the regional accrediting body for higher education institutions.

"The Industrial Management Technology program is of particular strategic importance as it builds a bridge to LSSC from programs at technical colleges such as Lake Technical College," says Dr. Douglas A. Wymer, Vice President of Academic Affairs at LSSC. "We are excited to create this new pathway to a baccalaureate degree in Lake and Sumter Counties and look forward to an even stronger partnership with Lake Technical College."

According to Wymer, students can articulate or transfer credit from a technical school program into the IMT program. Then, upon completion of the IMT degree, students can then continue their enrollment at LSSC in the bachelor's program in Organizational Management.

The IMT degree is specifically designed for students completing post-secondary adult vocational (PSAV) programs to offer a complement of academic coursework to prepare students for additional leadership opportunities in their career. Content in the program includes communication skills, leadership skills, human relations and employability skills, principles of management, personnel management, and general business procedures.

Students at Lake Tech can choose from over 28 programs of study to receive licensure or certification in a wide variety of career fields. Any Lake Tech program with over 900 clock hours is eligible for transfer to the IMT degree.

"We are thrilled about this opportunity for Lake Tech graduates to articulate into this new degree," said Dr. Diane Culpepper, Executive Director of Lake Technical College. "Students will now have the ability to

work toward an A.S. degree and a B.A.S. degree right here in Lake County. We appreciate our partnership with Lake Sumter State College.”

The timing of this approval couldn’t be better for our local community. October is Manufacturing Month for Lake County featuring companies proudly manufacturing products #MadeInLake.

“Lake County has a long and rich manufacturing heritage, and the manufacturing sector will most definitely continue to play a critical role in Lake County’s on-going goal to diversify the local economy,” said Robert Chandler, Executive Director of Lake County’s Agency for Economic Prosperity. “We are excited to recognize many of our great local manufacturers during the month of October, as well as our vital workforce development partners like Lake-Sumter State College and Lake Technical College who will be training our future manufacturing workforce.”

Students interested in enrolling at Lake Tech can visit laketech.org and lssc.edu for Lake-Sumter State College. Currently enrolled Lake Tech students can talk to advisors at Lake Tech or LSSC for enrollment information after completing their current program.

The J.P. Donnelly Transition Scholarship is available to students transferring credits from Lake Technical College to LSSC. Students can receive up to \$800 each semester.



Dr. Sidor, President of LSSC, announces the JP Donnelly Transition Scholarship to Lake Tech students in June 2017 alongside representatives from LSSC and Lake Tech.



Students in Lake Tech's Automotive Collision & Repair program repaint a truck in the school's state-of-the-art, industry standard body shop. Photo Credit: Lake Technical College

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About Lake-Sumter State College

Founded in 1962, Lake-Sumter State College (LSSC) offers high-quality education at an affordable price to the communities of Lake and Sumter counties. As a proud member of the Florida College System, LSSC serves more than 7,000 students annually at three locations: Leesburg, South Lake (Clermont), and Sumterville. LSSC offers certificate and degree programs designed to support and prepare students for today's dynamic workforce. LSSC is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. Through a DirectConnect partnership with the University of Central Florida, students graduating with an Associate in Arts are guaranteed admission to the UCF. Learn more about LSSC at www.lssc.edu.

About Lake Technical College

Lake Technical College is a public, postsecondary institution offering a "hands on, real world" educational environment, industry standard equipment, and an outstanding instructional staff where students develop exceptional technical and soft skills. Currently, 28 different career certificate programs are offered to adults and dual enrolled high school students including those in automotive, business, culinary, cosmetology, diesel, HVAC, health, information technology, manufacturing, public safety, and welding. In addition, GED preparation, academic remediation, adult basic education, and Adult ESOL classes are offered on the main campus and at six off-site locations across the county. Short term classes and customized training are offered to meet the specific needs of the public and business in our community.

The main campus is located at 2001 Kurt St., Eustis. The Institute of Public Safety is located at 1565 Lane Park Cutoff, Tavares. Visit the website www.laketechnic.org, or call (352) 589-2250 for more information.