

MS-CPAS Blueprint Summary

Assessment:	Automation and Control Technology
Test Code:	21307Y1-2018
CIP Code:	150613
Certificate:	Career
Type:	PS

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Assessment: Automation and Control Technology			
Test Code: 21307Y1-2018			
CIP Code: 150613			
Total Hours: 15		Instructional Hours	Total Items
IAT 1123: Electrical Wiring for Automation Control Technology for Automation and Control		3	8
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Apply general safety rules. 2. Install and maintain raceways, conduit, and fittings. 3. Explain different types of three-phase service entrances, metering devices, main panels, raceways or ducts, subpanels, feeder circuits, and branch circuits according to electrical codes. 			
IAT 1133: AC/DC Circuits for Automation and Control		3	8
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Explain and apply basic safety regulations which must be followed. 2. Define basic electronics terms. 3. Measure values in DC and AC Circuits. 4. Demonstrate and apply understanding of a basic DC and AC electronic circuit. 5. Analyze and evaluate parameters of series, parallel, and series parallel circuits. 6. Analyze inductance and capacitance in DC and AC series and parallel circuits. 			
IAT 1143: Fluid Power for Automation and Control		3	8
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Define and describe basic laws governing fluids. 2. Identify and draw symbols for hydraulics and pneumatics. 3. Describe operation and nomenclature of various pumps and compressors. 4. Explain fluids as pertaining to the transmission of energy. 5. Describe the operation of flow, pressure, and directional control valves. 6. Explain the types of actuators used in pneumatics and hydraulics. 7. Explain, construct, and troubleshoot various hydraulic and pneumatic circuits. 8. Demonstrate the use of electro-mechanical controls in hydraulic and pneumatic circuits. 			
IAT 1153: Motor Controls for Automation and Control		3	8
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Install different control circuits and devices. 2. Troubleshoot different control circuits and devices. 			
IAT 1173: Control System I for Automation and Control		3	8
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Explain and apply basic safety regulations which must be followed. 2. Describe and interpret block diagrams, instrument tags, loop drawings, and piping and instrument diagrams (P&ID). 2. Describe and discuss temperature measurement devices. 3. Describe and discuss pressure measurement devices and their use. 4. Describe and discuss level measurement devices and their use. 5. Describe flow measurement devices and their use. 6. Describe sensors used in process analysis. 7. Describe information transmission pertaining to process control. 			
		Active Items	40
		Field-Test Items	10
		TOTAL ASSESSED ITEMS	50

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Total Hours:	9	Instructional Hours	Total Items
IAT 2113: Programmable Logic Controllers for Automation and Control		3	14
1. Explain principles of PLCs.			
2. Identify different types of PLC hardware.			
3. Explain numbering systems, encoding/decoding, and logical operations.			
4. Program all types of internal and discrete instructions.			
5. Troubleshoot and maintain different programmable controller systems.			
IAT 2123: Control Systems II for Automation and Control		3	13
1. Identify and describe parameters and variables of an operational process control system.			
2. Describe control valve characteristics.			
3. Describe various modes of process control.			
4. Describe advanced control methods.			
5. Troubleshoot process control loops.			
6. Demonstrate procedures for handling, storing, and disposing of hazardous materials.			
IAT 2133: Solid State Motor Controls for Automation and Control		3	13
1. Apply general safety and safety requirements for working on and around electrical motors.			
2. Troubleshoot solid state motor controls.			
3. Operate AC and DC variable speed drives.			
		Active Items	40
		Field-Test Items	10
		TOTAL ASSESSED ITEMS	50