



Western Technical College

## 31442306 Wire Feed Welding 1

### Course Outcome Summary

#### Course Information

<b>Description</b>	The study of welding techniques and applications of the GMAW and FCAW processes in the flat and horizontal positions on ferrous materials (steel).
<b>Career Cluster</b>	Manufacturing
<b>Instructional Level</b>	Technical Diploma Courses
<b>Total Credits</b>	2
<b>Total Hours</b>	72

#### Textbooks

No textbook required.

#### Learner Supplies

Welding sateen jacket, welding work gloves (long leather gauntlet, short leather work gloves), welding helmet, leather cape and sleeves. **Vendor:** To be discussed in class. Required.

Tools: 25' steel tape measure, metal combination square, and scribe. **Vendor:** To be discussed in class. Required.

Six inch leather steel toed work boots - \$75.00-150.00. **Vendor:** To be discussed in class. Required.

Safety glasses with side eye protection that meet Z87 OSHA guidelines. **Vendor:** Campus Shop. Required.

## Success Abilities

1. Cultivate Passion: Expand a Growth-Mindset
2. Live Responsibly: Embrace Sustainability
3. Refine Professionalism: Practice Effective Communication

## Program Outcomes

1. Demonstrate industry recognized safety practices
2. Interpret welding drawings
3. Produce gas metal arc welds (GMAW)
4. Produce flux core welds
5. Perform thermal cutting

## Course Competencies

### 1. Examine components of wire feed welding.

#### Assessment Strategies

- 1.1. Skill Demonstration

#### Criteria

*You will know you are successful when*

- 1.1. you load the correct consumables into the machine for the process and material.
- 1.2. you identify the correct gas to be used for each process.
- 1.3. you set your machine to the correct settings for each process.
- 1.4. you set up GMAW/FCAW welding equipment according to the manufacturer's recommendations.
- 1.5. you follow safety requirements (including PPE) for all welding processes.

#### Learning Objectives

- 1.a. Explore modes of metal transfer (short-circuit, globular, axial spray, and pulsed spray).
- 1.b. Identify shielding gases for GMAW & FCAW (inert, reactive, binary, ternary).
- 1.c. Identify industry-specific terminology.
- 1.d. Explore types of wire: flux core, metal core, solid.
- 1.e. Interpret electrical theory related to wire feed processes.
- 1.f. Setup station for Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW) operations.
- 1.g. Set up station for Flux Core Arc Welding (FCAW).

### 2. Perform Weld inspection.

#### Assessment Strategies

- 2.1. Skill Demonstration

#### Criteria

*You will know you are successful when*

- 2.1. you will identify visual defects.
- 2.2. you take measurements for dimensional inspection.
- 2.3. you perform destructive testing.
- 2.4. you describe nondestructive testing techniques.

#### Learning Objectives

- 2.a. Identify any visual or surface defects.
- 2.b. Select measuring tools specific to welding.
- 2.c. Measure weld parts.
- 2.d. Apply destructive testing techniques that can be used for various welds.
- 2.e. Identify non destructive testing techniques.
- 2.f. Determine if weld can be repaired or re-done.

**3. Produce fillet welds in flat and horizontal positions for various joints using wire feed processes.**

**Assessment Strategies**

3.1. Demonstration

**Criteria**

*You will know you are successful when*

- 3.1. You produce fillet welds that meet the minimum weld standard on 2F T joints.
- 3.2. You produce fillet welds meet the minimum acceptance criteria on 2F Lap joints.
- 3.3. You produce fillet welds meet the minimum acceptance criteria on 1F Corner joints.
- 3.4. you apply the correct transfer method for the weld.
- 3.5. you follow PPE and safety precautions.

**Learning Objectives**

- 3.a. Explore hand motion and weld puddle manipulation technique for wire feed welding.
- 3.b. Identify how work and travel angles influence the shape of the weld.
- 3.c. Describe how work and travel angles change depending on weld position and joint design.
- 3.d. Identify the effect of gas flow rate on the weld puddle.
- 3.e. Adjust gas flow rate for different positions and joint designs.
- 3.f. Practice a variety of fillet welds using transfer methods.
- 3.g. Practice multi-pass welds.

**4. Produce groove welds in flat and horizontal positions for various joints using wire feed processes.**

**Assessment Strategies**

4.1. Demonstration

**Criteria**

*You will know you are successful when*

- 4.1. you produce welds that meet the minimum acceptance criteria on 1G on joints.
- 4.2. you produce welds that meet the minimum acceptance criteria on 2G on joints.
- 4.3. you apply the correct transfer method for the weld.
- 4.4. you follow PPE and safety precautions.

**Learning Objectives**

- 4.a. Explore hand motion and weld puddle manipulation technique for wire feed welding.
- 4.b. Describe how work and travel angles influence the shape of the weld.
- 4.c. Identify how work and travel angles change depending on weld position and joint design.
- 4.d. Practice multi-pass welds.
- 4.e. Practice a variety of groove welds using transfer methods.