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# **DSDT GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### APPROVAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

**DSDT** is a licensed post-Secondary school Through the State of Michigan. DSDT opened its doors originally in Farmington Hills, Michigan. The school now resides in the heart of Detroit, MI. **DSDT** was granted institutional approval from the Lansing Licensing Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs. Proprietary Trade School Division, as per Michigan Education (LARA) Division. "Approval to operate" refers to maintaining compliance with minimum standards set forth by the state and does not imply any endorsement or recommendation by the state, or by bureau of any kind. Institutional approval must be approved every three years and is subject to continuous review.

# CAMPUS AND ADMINISTRATION ADDRESS

1759 W. 20th Street, Detroit, MI. 48216

#### HISTORY AND ADMINISTRATION

DSDT is a licensed post-secondary school, which has been nationally accredited since 2017. DSDT has a main branch located in southwest Detroit and a branch location in Killeen, Texas. The facility's original name is Astute Artistry, LLC, which opened its doors in 2011 in Farmington Hills, Michigan. In 2016, DSDT opened a new facility at 1759 W 20th Street in Detroit. Additional curriculum was added throughout the years to enhance the traditional Film Production curriculum by adding more Digital Media, Digital Graphics and Technology. In 2019 two additional programs were added in Information Technology. As a result, a name change to DSDT was imperative for re-marketing and re-branding purposes. In 2022, the Film Production program name changed to Digital Marketing Professional and course content was modified in an effort to make the program more relevant to industry trends and employer needs. DSDT added an Allied Health Medical Assistant Program in 2023, which changed the overall programmatic scope of the institution. In 2023, DSDT added a branch location in Killeen, Texas. Today, DSDT has successfully developed programs relevant to digital marketing, information technology and healthcare sectors

#### LEGAL NOTICES AND CERTIFICATION

State of Michigan Post-Secondary School Division

#### DIPLOMA

Students will receive a diploma after the successful completion of their 600 or 760 Clock Hour Program.

#### **CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION**

Students will receive a Certificate of Completion after the successful completion of either the 80, 240 or 320 clock hour courses. These certificates are specifically from DSDT and not affiliated with any vendor, provider, or licensing body.

#### **DIPLOMA PROGRAMS**

**Digital Marketing Professional Tuition and Fees:** \$17,995.00

**Total Fees with Books and Individual Materials:** \$22,695.00

**Business information Technology Specialist Tuition and Fees:** \$17,995.00

**Total Fees with Books and Individual Materials:** \$22,695.00

Medical Assistant Tuition and Fees: \$21,995.00

**Total Fees with Books and Individual Materials:** \$23,195.00

**Prompt Engineer Professional Tuition and Fees:** \$17,995.00

**Total Fees with Books and Individual Materials:** \$22,695.00

#### **CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION**

AI Prompt Specialist Tuition and Fees: \$5,000.00

**Full Stack Developer Tuition and Fees:** \$16,500.00

**Technology Professional 6 Tuition and Fees:** \$15,000.00

**Technology Professional 2 Tuition and Fees:** \$5,000.00

#### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

- Meet with Admissions
- Representative Orientation
- High School Diploma or Equivalent
- License or Picture ID
- Enrollment Agreement
- Applicants must attend an on-campus or online orientation

#### PRIORITY DATES AND ENROLLMENT FOR MILITARY VETERANS

Military Veterans will receive earliest priority date based on their official course registration date and class availability. All class times and enrollment dates vary. Upon open enrollment, all Military Veterans will have first prior and must attend orientation and register on that day. Program offerings will take place on campus and class times, schedule and location may vary per student demand.



#### TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS

The clock hour education is provided through a sequential set of learning steps which address specific tasks necessary for graduation and job entry level skills. Practical equipment, implements, and products are comparable to those used in the industry. Each student will receive instruction that relates to the performance of useful, creative, and productive career- oriented activities. The course is presented through comprehensive lesson plans which reflect effective educational methods. Subjects are presented by means of interactive lecture, demonstration, cooperative learning, labs, student activities, and student participation. Audio-visual aids, guest speakers, field trips, projects, activities, and other related learning methods are used in the course.

#### PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE

DSDT maintains an active placement assistance service for our graduates. Prior to graduation or at any time thereafter, graduates may avail themselves of the school's placement assistance services in addition to arranging interviews with potential employers. The Director of Job Placement guides students in the completion of employment applications, resume writing, preparing for interviews, professional attire, workplace communication, and behavior. DSDT also assists students interested in finding non-program related job leads while enrolled in school. Graduate's names and phone numbers are kept on file for future references upon completion of the course. Although every effort is made to help graduates find employment, DSDT cannot guarantee its graduates employment.

# STATE LICENSED POST SECONDARY SCHOOL DISCLAIMER

The State of Michigan will not provide a certificate of completion or award a diploma to any student that has been convicted of a crime; committed any act involving dishonesty, fraud, or deceit; or a crime; committed any act that, if committed by a graduate of the business or profession in question. Students who are not U.S. Citizens or who do not have documented authority to work in the United States will not be eligible to attend DSDT. DSDT does not use the Third Step Verification of Eligible Noncitizen Status due to DSDT not currently offering eligibility status to noncitizens. DSDT, the school, is not responsible for students denied work without proper documentation showing proof of citizenship. DSDT does not admit students to English-as-a-second language courses.

#### NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

DSDT does not discriminate in its employment, admission, instruction, counseling, or graduation policies on the basis of sex, color, age, race, national or ethnic origin, creed, religion, or disabilities that would not preclude employment within their selected program area nor do we recruit students already attending or admitted to another school offering similar programs of study.

#### STUDENTS RECORDS/FERPA

The Federal Right of Privacy Act enables all Students to review their academic records, including grades, attendance, and counseling reports. Student's records are confidential and only such agencies or individuals authorized by law, such as state and federal agencies are allowed access without written permission of the student. Also, parents/and or legal guardians of a dependent minor student have access to the student's file. A student may authorize certain individuals, organizations, or class of parties (such as potential employers) to gain access to certain information in their files by signing and dating our specific inhouse release form. State law requires the school to maintain these records for not less than five years. Students may request a review of their records by writing either print or digital to the School Director.

#### **EDUCATION GOALS**

DSDT strives to provide a quality educational system that prepares students to successfully complete their program within their chosen field of study. Our quality education system includes an outstanding facility, experienced and competent instructors, and a curriculum developed through years of experience and expertise.

- To educate students to be professional, knowledgeable, and skilled in their field for marketability within their industry.
- To maintain a constantly updated program that provides students with the knowledge to compete in their field of study.
- To promote the continuing educational growth of our faculty and students, using current teaching methods and techniques.
- To teach courtesy and professionalism as the foundation for a successful career in their chosen field of study.
- To prepare students to successfully complete their program.
- To train and graduate students while empowering them to become confident and excited to enter a successful career within their program of study.

# **CORE VALUES AND BELIEFS**

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

DSDT is a Licensed, Post-Secondary School with training in Diploma and Certificate of Completion programs in the Digital Marketing, Information Technology and Healthcare sectors. We are dedicated to providing our students with an innovative curriculum that prepares graduates for gainful employment. We strive to inspire individuals and help them to implement their learned education into becoming an industry professional within their scope of study.

#### VISION STATEMENT

To be recognized as a leading school and job placement provider. It's simple: We Train, Employ, and Empower individuals for gainful employment.

## **CORE VALUES**

**Purpose & Growth:** Our foundation is built on an innovative curriculum, which provides a place for our students to thrive and our team's passion to implement a model with proven success.

#### **ENVIRONMENT**

We have created a fun, hard-working environment with a revolving door for development.

#### **STUDENT FOCUS**

The only way we are successful as an organization is to have a razor-sharp model of education and clear student focus.

#### INTEGRITY

We as an organization pride ourselves on being honest, having respect for all individuals.

#### LEADERSHIP

We strive to create an environment where all students become skilled and job-ready for individual entrepreneurship or employment opportunities.

#### **PROFESSIONALISM AND EXCELLENCE**

Our students will learn our professionalism in our actions, behaviors, and affiliate partners. We continually build lasting relationships with excellence and maintain our professionalism, on all levels of performance.

## ACCREDITATION

DSDT is accredited by the Commission of the Council on Occupational Education.

Council on Occupational Education, 7840 Roswell Road, Building 300, Suite 325, Atlanta, GA 30350, Telephone: 770-396-3898 / FAX: 770-396-3790, www.council.org.





# INSTITUTIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS



#### Keisha Currie

A multifaceted professional with over 10 years of experience working with diverse backgrounds in family services servicing youth and young adults. I have a passion to support and empower individuals through extensive customer service, educational, business operations and career skills. My management and leadership roles and abilities are flexible which explains my desire for integrating new and improved ideas through exceptional communication and teamwork. My experience in managing the workforce innovation and opportunity act has allowed for my development in empowering students in gainful employment, soft skills, and prepping for job- placement in the City of Detroit and surrounding geographical areas. Participating in community events and Neighborhood service organizations has helped me to identify the need of our, employer affiliates and the need of the graduate students training, and skill needed to become successful in their areas of training.



#### **Marlene Brooks**

Marlene Brooks is an unlimited license instructor and licensed cosmetologist with over 20 years of experience in the beauty industry working in the areas of styling, training, and management. Marlene Brooks started apprenticeship programs governed by the State of Michigan from 2013-2019 in the field of cosmetology. She currently owns and operates Dymond Designs Beauty Studio, Dymond Designs Beauty School, and Dymond Designs Extensions which is a 100% human hair line, all located in the downtown Detroit riverfront area. Marlene is the driving force to Chase Bank Marketing for the Women of Color Fund.



#### Tamiko Ogburn

A native Detroiter who graduated from Detroit Public Schools Magna Cum Laude with an overall GPA of 3.5. She graduated in the top 3% of Detroit Public Schools. Tamiko went on to earn her undergraduate degree in Management and Organizational Development from Spring Arbor University as well as a master's degree in Human Resources Management. Tamiko's love for education led her to become a substitute teacher in the K12 environment as well as an education administrator in the post-secondary environment. Tamiko has worked in the field of education in some capacity for the last 22 years. Tamiko has managed schools with multiple locations, designed new curriculum and career programs, opened several new campuses including a branch and satellite campus. Tamiko is also a human resource professional with a focus on training and instructional design. Tamiko is a published author with several titles including Campus Operations Workbook, Medical Assisting Basics, A Guide to Federal Funding, Mom's Hands and manymore.



#### Shereese Thomas

Shereese has over 30 years' experience in Information Technology support, analysis, and evaluation. She began supporting desktop computers and servers during her college career and made the decision to work full time before graduation. After some considerable influence from her family, she moved into an entry level IT position at Wayne State University for the advantages of tuition benefits. Working in the IT division she moved into a help desk analyst role learning how to support university systems. Moving at a slower pace than intended, Shereese overcame the obstacles of working full time, going to school, and later becoming a single mother. She went on to complete an undergraduate degree in Technical and Interdisciplinary Studies and 5 years later, obtained a Master of Education in Instructional Technology and went on to receive an Educational Specialist certification in Human Performance Improvement. After receiving her graduation degree, she moved into a Business Systems Analyst position for 7 years.



# MEDICAL ASSISTANT OCCUPATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

#### Anasa Holden

Dr. Anasa N. Holden serves as Advantage Health Center's Practice Manager; with over 21 years of experience in the healthcare industry, she has a sound foundation with a plethora of learned skills. While specializing in healthcare management, Dr. Holden began her career as a medical assistant, earning recognition for training over 100 externs. In addition, she has a bachelor's and master's degree from Southern New Hampshire University, a doctorate from Walden University, and a Yellow Belt in Lean Six Sigma. Her passion for promoting health care matches her role as a valuable member of the community and an invaluable resource for patients. When she is not working, Dr. Holden enjoys traveling and spending time with her family and friends.



#### **Eleya Montroy**

Eleya is currently employed with Henry Ford Health Systems as a Certified Medical Assistant. In the last five years, she has obtained three collegiate degrees from the University of Northwestern Ohio while participating on the Women's Varsity Softball Team with an athletic scholarship. Eleya was honored to receive an associates in Medical Assisting, Bachelor's in Healthcare Administration, and Master's in Business Administration. Eleya would describe herself as an eager woman who enjoys a challenge and finding solutions that are out of her comfort zone.



#### Ameer Nejmeh

Dr. Ameer Nejmeh is a medical doctor who attended York university in Ontario, later AUSOM Medical School where he completed his clinical training in West Virginia, USA. There, he has co-written multiple case studies and helped administer valuable treatments for patients with addictions. Dr. Nejmeh's field of interests include pediatrics and family medicine. He is a patient advocate and enjoys volunteering his time whenever possible. He participates in humanitarian work in his community in Toronto. He is aspiring to join 'Doctors without Borders' to help those who do not have access to adequate infrastructure and medical care.



#### **Dorcas Stokes**

Dorcas Stokes has over 15 years of experience in the healthcare industry. She holds a bachelor's degree in nursing from Wayne State University and an associate's degree in instruction of technology and military science from the Community College of the Air Force. Dorcas has an extensive background in education and healthcare management. She has taught medical services technical training for 4+ years at Fort Sam in Houston, Texas and has held multiple position as a nurse and/or nurse manager for various healthcare agencies and hospitals. Dorcas currently holds a position at DMC as an intensive care nurse.



#### Stephanie Jurva

Stephanie is a dedicated healthcare and business professional, with over 20 years of experience. She holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from MSU and a master's degree from Central Michigan University in health services administration. She has over 10 years of experience as a higher education assistant director of student organization programs at Oakland University and over 5 years' experience as a healthcare program coordinator and manager. Stephanie plans to utilize her higher education and healthcare expertise to provide valuable feedback on DSDT's medical assistant program.

#### **Erinn Copeland**



Erinn Copeland is a professional with experience in education and various healthcare positions. Erinn currently serves as a member of the Texas Society for Medical Services Specialists and works as a recreation and enrichment program manager at Methodist Healthcare Ministries. Erinn has a vast network and intensive knowledge of community based activities in south Texas. Erinn holds a Bachelors degree in education and human resource management from Ashford University. She is also a certified nutritionist and has previous served as a Lead Techer for the Children's World Learning Center in San Antonio, Texas.





#### Joseph Ogburn

Joseph is an entrepreneur, educator, and designer. He graduated from Lawrence Technological University with a degree in Manufacturing Engineering then soon after attended Wayne State University where he studied Mechanical Engineering. Joseph's latest business venture led him to the field of internet marketing that requires website design, social media marketing, product development, affiliate marketing and more. As someone who was born and raised in Detroit, Joseph has a heart for the city and understands the importance of giving back. "Investing in education and the personal advancement of others is one of the most meaningful things in life."



#### Yolanda Marshall

Yolanda is a professional with over 10 years in training and development with various large corporations in the Metro-Detroit area. Change management, implementation, customer service initiatives, performance issues, developing people and teams, Talent and Development, Human Resources and Public Administration, are some of my specialties. Working for Chrysler, the City of Detroit, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and DTE, I bring the working knowledge needed to provide gainful employment history, data, and research to the up-and-coming graduates of successful career training in the Detroit and surrounding geographical regions.



#### **Danielle Gordon**

D.L. (Danielle) is the owner of D Girl Digital Marketing! Danielle is from Detroit, MI where she attended Michigan State University for her undergraduate degree in Social Science and attended University of Phoenix for her graduate degree in Public Administration. She received her certification in Digital Marketing from her alma mater Michigan State University; she had an epiphany while working her 9-5 to start D Girl Digital Media because she has always had an interest in technology and digital marketing as a self-taught individual in the industry. She is an avid tech junky who enjoys movies, video games, and hanging with her mini D Girl (daughter). Danielle's community affiliations include being a proud member of United Auto Workers (UAW), Michigan's largest social justice non-profit Michigan United and alumni of AmeriCorps & National College Advising Network.



# TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONAL 6 OCCUPATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

#### Melinda Ann O'Neill



Melinda Ann O'Neill is an Advanced Technology Specialist with CDW. CDW is a leading multi-brand technology solutions provider to business, government, education, and healthcare customers in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, and other international locations. CDW is a Fortune 500 company, ranking 189 in 2019 and has Annual Net Sales of more than \$16.2 Billion to date. Melinda Ann is a leader in her role and hosts a wide network of IT influencers and decision-makers which has allowed her to flourish in the industry. Her key areas of responsibility include assessment, planning, design, configuration, installation, product lifecycle [support] and managed and hosted services. She has specialties in security, unified communications, networking, virtualization and optimization, managed services, and system lifecycle management. Melinda Ann is an active member of many organization including the Michigan Council of Women in Technology, Detroit Sports Media, Gift of Life Michigan, and Vista Maria. Her long-time dedication to volunteerism includes mentoring at Vista Maria in the DREAM Program in which she was the 2016 Outstanding Mentor Award recipient. She also serves on Vista Maria's Celebrating Women's

Committee which holds events to highlight the contributions of women in society and to reinforce the importance of nurturing young females through services and individuals devoted to healing; and teaching necessary coping and life skills. Melinda Ann is a living kidney donor and has worked as a Transplant Services Consultant for Hero Network. Through the Gift of Life Michigan, she has logged many hours of volunteer time communicating the importance of organ donation. Melinda Ann was the featured donor on the cover of The United Network for Organ Sharing [UNOS] 2010 Annual Report as well as the featured donor representing the State of Michigan on the UNOS state map. She takes great pride in her ability to volunteer her time to organizations that have a positive impact on the lives of others.



#### Wendye Mingo

Wendye's position as the Managing Director of IT for the Kresge Foundation aligns with her core value of giving back to the community. She helps staff leverage technology to support the foundation's mission to promote human progress. Wendye has over 25 years of coding in several programming languages, database management and design, infrastructure management and IT project management. She has led several large infrastructure projects that involved converting operating systems from Unix to Linux, migrating servers between data centers, moving systems to the cloud, converting phone systems from PBX to VOIP, and replacing and upgrading network systems, database platforms and middleware platforms. Her greatest accomplishment at the foundation has been transforming the organization to a secure, cloud-based, near paperless environment giving staff the ability to work anywhere. Her current interests are in cybersecurity, AI and IoT. In her spare time, she enjoys teaching girls to code, providing IT support for the other non-profits and teaching herself new technologies.



#### Shaneika Smith

Shaneika is a logistics professional and military veteran with a Secret Security Clearance and 5<sup>+</sup> years of proven experience in leadership, logistics, supply chain management, warehouse operations, and administrative support. She possesses a comprehensive background in personnel management and development, strategic planning, risk management, and program management. Shaneika is adept at conducting evaluation reports and collaborating with senior leaders to achieve organizational objectives. She demonstrates an ability to execute logistical planning to ensure project tasks are met within deadlines. Shaneika is a personable leader with a proven ability to lead multicultural work teams and a strong passion for improving organizational performance and partnership. platforms.



#### LaQuita Alford

LaQuita Alford was born and raised in Detroit, Michigan and is currently a Cybersecurity Analyst at StockX. She's an HBCU graduate from South Carolina State University with a political science degree. Over the course of her 10-year career, She has decided to do a career change and explore her technical abilities. In 2017 she enrolled in DSDT and received her CompTia A+ certification in 2019. She continued to expand her technical skills and enrolled in Grand Circus to learn Front-End Development and graduated in July of 2020. She was involved with Sister's Code to teach basic Front-End Coding skills to women of all backgrounds. During this journey, she has developed a skill set directly relevant to Information Security. Her favorite hobby is playing her bassoon during her leisure. Her favorite quotes to live by is "Stay afraid, but do it anyway. What's important is the action. You don't have to wait to be confident." - Carrie Fisher



# TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONAL 2 OCCUPATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS



#### **Tom Lawrence**

After a healthy stint in corporate America Tom Lawrence launched Lawrence Technology Services. His passion for technology is prevalent in virtually everything he does. Since 2008, he has been invited to share his expertise on open-source software, social media marketing, SEM, Google, PFSense, and Linux Operation Systems. Tom has sat on panels, delivered keynote speeches, and led small group discussions at the Walsh College Open-Source Group, Grow Your Business Workshops, a number of regional chambers, local Rotaries, universities, and private groups. The podcast he co- host, <u>Sunday Morning Linux Review</u>, has over 5,000 downloads a month and the Lawrence Systems <u>YouTube channel</u>

subscriber count can be seen on the sidebar to the right (below on mobile). Tom is a graduate of Goldman Sachs' 10,000 Small Businesses program and won several awards recently including the Southern Wayne County Chamber of Commerce Small Business of the Year. I've successfully bought and sold companies, worked on two pending patents, National Science Foundation projects and a few solar energy projects. While he takes pride in his accomplishments, Tom feels that his biggest achievement lies in the quality service Lawrence Systems provides to their customers which is reflected in the company's high retention rates.



#### **Shawn Rule**

Shawn Rule is a Corporate Talent Advisor and an Expert in talent acquisition strategy and talent management. He is well versed in the Michigan Automotive industry, process development and planning in Lean Six Sigma Principles. Mr. Rules specialties are in IT talent acquisition, talent development and Implementation, process Improvement, Project Management, Lean Start Ups, branding and Identity, personal branding, coaching and Mentoring. His latest efforts have been geared toward changing the culture of hiring in the City of Detroit and employing more students from IT vocational and trade schools. Coined "Hire IT Detroit" Mr. Rules campaign within major companies encourages looking elsewhere then typical University grads for new hires into Blue Cross Blue Shield of

Michigan. Mr. Rule was chosen for the board because he shares the same passion for talent development at DSDT and aims to partner DSDT with major companies in Detroit.



#### **Abdalla Soliman**

Mr. Soliman is a master's degree graduate from OCC, offering a wealth of talent in the development and implementation of educational technology tools and applications in the classroom. He possesses an in-depth knowledge of Computer Science, Information Technology, Cybersecurity, and Digital Forensics. Abdalla is adept in creative teaching strategies that fully engage students in the learning process. Mr. Soliman is deeply invested in achieving tenure through administrative service, committee contributions, and an accomplishment-oriented approach to teaching



# BUSINESS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST OCCUPATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS



## **Julie Spiller**

Julie is a growth-focused sales and business development executive who excels at delivering advanced IT solutions to clients of all sizes and industries. She is an expert at developing new business and new relationships. Her skills in defining vision, creating frameworks and best practices, and implementing key metrics have helped with her success at companies like IBM, Siebel, Vignette, Logicalis, and CBI. Julie is a change leader and dedicated mentor who drives salesforce transition, coaches' new leaders and top-

performing teams in cultures of transparency, support, and accountability. She has a passion for expanding leadership roles for women. Julie is currently VP of Business Development and Community Relations for CBI, a cybersecurity consulting, solutions, and managed services firm headquartered in Detroit. She is also Managing Director and Board Member for the Women's Security Alliance or WomSA, helping women enter and succeed in cybersecurity careers.



#### **Brett Chittum**

Brett is a results-oriented revenue leader with 26 years' experience in all aspects of revenue generation with exceptional knowledge of business relations to consistently drive growth. Exceptional analytical dexterity and relationship building, combined with proven ability to direct personnel, manage and coach talent, deliver effective revenue strategies, form strategic partnerships, and successfully implement and oversee complex projects. Brett has a bachelor's degree in business management with an emphasis on marketing and organizational behavior.



#### **Corey Haynes**

Corey Haynes is a leader and connector who has a passion for learning throughout life, helping others, giving back; both professionally and personally, while looking for new ways to immerse himself more into new cultures, new video games, or a new technology. Corey cultivated an early interest in IT, where he would build large LAN parties for Halo, cut music for events, and build computers with friends while earning his degree from the University of Michigan – Ann Arbor. Since then Corey has combined those

interests into over 18 years of global experience within the IT profession. Currently, Corey is the Enterprise Leader for SHI Michigan – the nation's largest woman and minority global technology partner and in this role he manages a team of local and national sellers and resources that focus on business-to-business IT solutions that create, optimize, and provide flexibility against the changing IT landscape. Corey looks to be a big advocate for helping and empowering others and gives back his free time through a variety of volunteer efforts; whether it's being a mentor or sitting on boards that focus on uplifting others. An avid Detroit sports fan, lover of travel, aspiring coder, and future connector – Corey is excited about new people, connections, and opportunities as he looks to help others wherever he can.



# FULL STACK DEVELOPER OCCUPATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS



#### **Donovan Brown**

A CompTIA Certified Computer Support Technician turned Software Developer. Donovan has 5 years of professional experience as a Software Developer working for companies such as Quicken Loans, Ford Motor Company. Donovan has taught coding classes for JOURNi, Detroit Black Tech, and DSDT to Kids, Adults, and the underrepresented.



#### **Rachel Pizzimenti**

Rachel is a hardworking business woman who wears many hats both professionally and in her personal life. She helps run Partner Personnel, a local staffing agency that supplies jobs within the Metro Detroit area. She graduated from Northern Michigan University with Bachelors in Business Management and is currently using her degree in numerous ways within the Staffing and IT realm. Within the staffing side of the business, Rachel runs a recruiting team that helps candidates find employment within their career fields, and also handles the HR / Accounting end of the business. While on the sister side of the company, Rachel works with Data Partner, selling IT solutions, lotting and Saled division Patterner, selling the protocol and the sister side of the string of the forsing at here. She here a heart of

working within the Marketing and Sales division. Between all of her roles, her main goals come from the strive of the feeling of helping others. She has a heart of going above and beyond to help others reach their goals and giving back to the community.



#### Shannon Ramelot

Shannon Ramelot is a user experience leader, product designer, mixed media artist, and Founder of Corktown Labs, a creative design studio, gallery, and a small business incubator. Over the last decade, she has collaborated with a diverse group of product teams and companies including Ford, Quicken Loans, Rocket Mortgage, Detroit Labs, Corteva, and Driveway to create insight led, human centered products. She approaches design and leadership with a focus on people, establishing empathy for both the people who make and the people who use the products she helps bring to life.



#### Hector Guerra

Hector Guerra is a 20-year retired Army veteran. After retiring from the Army in 2014 as an Army Recruiter, he founded Era Solutions LLC, a talent requisition business in addition to building a proprietary application exclusively for the transitioning military population and veteran community. Hector's background and experience include business development, client management, strategic planning, and program management. Hector was hand-picked for a high visibility contractor role in support for the Department of Labor Veterans and Training Services (DOLVETS) Apprenticeship Pilot from 2020-2021. Hector and his project team exposed 38,000 + transitioning active-duty military members to 160 apprenticeship partners during the pilot which garnered congressional and the White House support for

supporting veteran apprenticeship hiring. Hector continues to leverage his experience and connections within the DoD and DoL to establish memorandum of understanding with 8 military bases throughout the United States.



#### Anthony Scales

Anthony Scales II is a native Detroiter that graduated from Renaissance High School in 2007. He has a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and a technology certification from Detroit School for Digital Technology. Anthony has been working in development since he graduated from college. He is well versed in a plethora of software including HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Angular, Java, PHP, and most recently ReactJS. His primary focus is on front end development. Anthony's ultimate goal is to enrich other's lives through the code.



#### Maher Hujairi

As an IT Expert with 20+ years' experience, Maher is a high-end software architect with deep low end technical knowledge, experience and skills. He has mastered his designing skills on all software levels and layers, starting from the front-end user interface to database architecture and design, while having remarkable OO insights and practices. He is a digital graphics expert with exposure to a wide variety of graphic work. Maher has also had the pleasure of teaching computer science, programming, and digital graphic concepts and practices courses to a diverse population of students.



#### Julie Russell

Julie Russell is a leading software architect and the founder of Diamond Edge IT. With a strong background in integration, Julie has worked with a broad set of companies spanning over multiple industries. Based on her observations while consulting, Julie invented a new way of automating the generation of code, leading to the launch of Nine Gold, a no-code platform. Diamond Edge IT dedicates research and development into their open best practices, allowing them to drive code quality and consistency into the code, making it a strong focus of their platform. In addition to her work, Julie is an influential speaker and thought leader in the industry. She has presented at conferences such a MuleSoft Connect 2018, sharing her insights on topics like adopting microservices. Julie's contributions and expertise have been recognized by publications like CIO Review and Beyond Exclamation Magazine.



# PROMPT ENGINEER PROFESSIONAL OCCUPATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

#### **Matthew Mueller**

Matthew is a seasoned AI software engineer with expertise in machine learning and natural language processing. He currently works as a Senior Core AI Software Engineer at Clinc, a leading conversational AI company based in Ann Arbor, heading their research team. At Clinc, he oversees intellectual property, manages ongoing research initiatives, and leads the engineering and architecting of machine learning projects. Matthew has experience deploying production-grade AI solutions across various infrastructures, including conversation guidance for Clinc and comment trend analysis for Audi. Outside of natural language processing, Matthew's interests include sports analytics, bioinformatics, and AI-guided investing, and he continuously explores new technologies in these areas.

#### Dr. Hany Othman

Dr. Hany Othman is a technology professional with over 15 years of experience with small to enterprise-level organizations in various Information Technology, Information Security, Networking, and Project Management. He has over 15 years of experience in higher education; teaching, administration, online education, and educational technologies. Dr. Othman has developed undergraduate, Master's, and Doctorate courses in Computer Information Systems, Computer Science, Management Information systems, and Cybersecurity programs. His research is focused on Cyber-Security, Artificial Intelligence, and IoT.

Dr. Othman holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business/E-Business, a master's degree of science in "Information Resource Management," and a Doctorate in Computer Science- Digital System Security (Dissertation Topic- "Performance and acceptance of biometrics as an anti-cheating tool in an online test setting"), Microsoft Certified Professional, and Microsoft Certified System Engineer.

#### Hisham Elkholy

After receiving formal training as a mechanical engineer, Hisham embarked on a dynamic career spanning the energy, food manufacturing, and automotive industries. Throughout his professional journey, a striking realization emerged—data had become a critical asset for companies striving to maintain innovation and competitiveness across all sectors. Driven by this insight, Hisham redirected his career path and currently works at Stellantis, where he manages artificial intelligence products. Beyond his professional endeavors, Hisham possesses an interest in the potential impact of AI on communities, recognizing both the positive and negative implications. Eager to delve deeper into this vital subject, he is scheduled to commence a master's program in AI Ethics and Society at the University of Cambridge in October 2023, further fueling his commitment to understanding and navigating the ethical landscape of AI.



#### John MacKay

John MacKay is a Michigan State University alum with a passion for new Technology Innovation. He has over 23 years of experience in high performance computing and engineering simulation, consulting and sales for Hewlett Packard Enterprise. John currently holds a position as a high-performance computing and artificial intelligence sales leader at Hewlett Packard enterprises. He is leading sales activities for high performance computing, artificial intelligence, autonomous driving, machine learning, and analytics into the automotive and retail industries.

## Dr. Smruti Panigrahi



Smruti's position committee member position at DSDT aligns with his core value of giving back to the community. He enjoys mentoring students and professionals in the cutting edge technologies to help build their technical foundation and support their career growth. He has a Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering, Masters in Virtual Reality, Masters in Applied Mathematics, and Bachelors in Manufacturing Science and Engineering. Smruti has over 15 years of research and industry experience in advanced technologies in Robotics, Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Augmented Reality, Autonomous Vehicles, Dynamics and Controls, Data Science, and Embedded Systems development. Throughout his career, he has led development of several patented technologies and has published numerous papers in international journals and conferences. He CoFounded Ford Robotics & Automation Research department and has led several high impact projects within Ford Motor Company from inception to production including algorithm development, real-world testing and implementation. He is an active board member and industry advisor to Merrimack College in Massachusetts where he helps develop curriculum in Robotics, Mechatronics, Mechanical and Electrical Engineering, for undergraduate and graduate degrees and mentoring students for post graduation career transition. Smruti is passionate about disseminating his knowledge and experiences for the betterment of the society. He serves as mentor and advisor to various non-profits such as FIRST Robotics, FIRST Robotics GIRLS Events, University of Michigan Robotics Club and various minority groups and events.



# AI PROMPT SPECIALIST OCCUPATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS



#### Wajieh Salman

Wajieh Salman is an Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Product Manager at Ford Motor Company. Wajieh has an extensive background in various machine learning software and innovative data science analytic techniques. Waijeh possesses a bachelor's degree in electrical and robotics engineering from University of Michigan Dearborn and a master's degree in data science and business analytics from Wayne State University. His passion is driven by developing smart innovative techniques for all businesses to analyze data and process information more efficiently and effectively.



#### **Scott Stuart**

Scott Stuart is a result driven program & portfolio manager with exemplary mastery to employ advanced technological solutions and maximize return on investment. Scott has extensive global deployment experience leveraging minimal viable product and lean methodologies techniques to maximize value proposition at every pay point. He has a proven track record of promoting collaborative work environment of subordinates to drive every changing requirement into results that go above and beyond customer expectations. Scott has been working at General Motors for over 17 years. During his time at GM, Scott has worked on various Artificial Intelligence and Machine learning projects for OnStar Insurance, GM's E-

bikes, Future Roads, etc. Scott holds a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science and a Masters Degree in Strategic Management. Scott passion in the AI and machine learning industry continues by leading multiple high visibility GM ventures programs thru innovation.



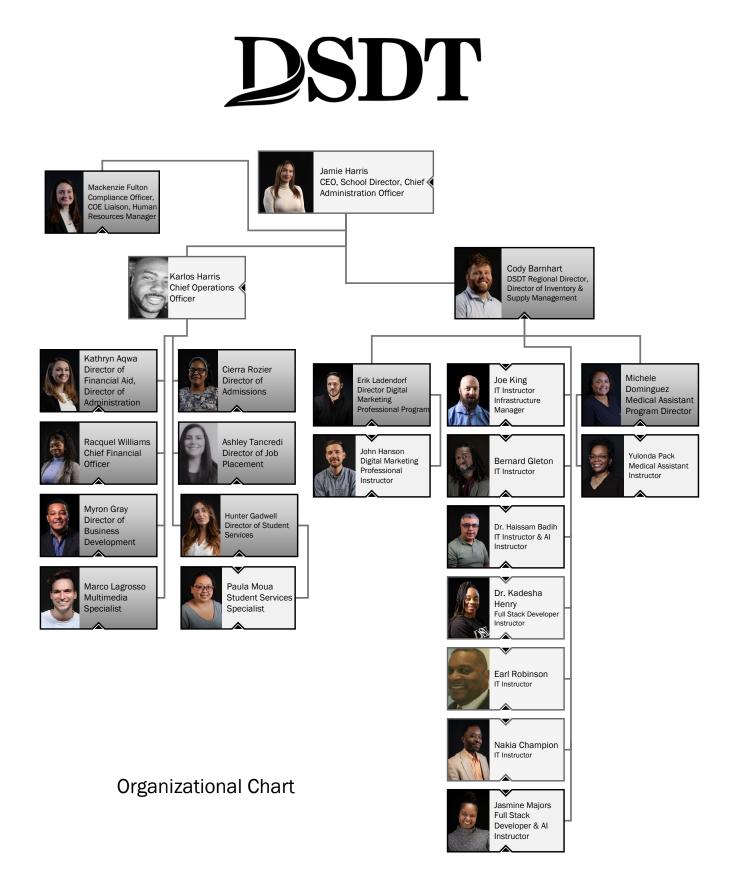
#### **Pravin Chopade**

Pravin Chopade is an accomplished AI and ML Engineer, Scientist, and esteemed member of the AI community. With a PhD in Computational Science and Engineering from North Carolina A&T State University, USA, he has excelled in the field. Holding a Master's degree in Electrical Engineering from Government College of Engineering, Pune, India, and a Bachelor's degree from Government College of Engineering, Amravati, India, he possesses a strong educational foundation. Dr. Chopade's research experience includes roles at Educational Testing Service (ETS), ACTNext, and North Carolina A&T State University, where he made significant contributions to AI. He has secured funding and research awards from esteemed

institutions like the US Department of Defense and the National Science Foundation. With over 70 publications and two filed patents, he demonstrates expertise and innovation. His research focuses on multimodal analytics, intelligent learning systems, personalization, and collaborative problem-solving. Dr. Chopade actively contributes to the scientific community as a reviewer for leading journals and as a former IEEE leader. As an Advisory Board Member for the AI Prompt Specialist Committee at DSDT, his vast knowledge and dedication to advancing AI will greatly benefit the committee's mission of shaping AI for societal progress.



# **DSDT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**





# ADMISSIONS POLICY AND PROCEDURES

## **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

DSDT admits as regular students, those who are high school graduates, or holders of high school graduation equivalency certificates (GED'S). DSDT does not accept ability to benefits (ATB) students at this time. DSDT is an equal opportunity employer and follows the same policies in accepting applications from potential students. All high school diplomas and GED's are verified by an Admissions Representative to establish the validity of the document. Self-certification is not enough documentation and there is no available appeal process at this time. If DSDT is unable to validate or accept the high school diploma, you will not meet the admissions requirements and will not be able to attend DSDT.

## **ADMISSION PROCEDURE**

- Speak with an Admissions Representative
- Tour the Facility

## **APPLICATION FEE**

There is no application fee associated with the processing of an incoming student enrollment.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS**

• **Complete a Pre-Enrollment Application Form:** Complete and submit the application form to the secure online portal system, Campus Café, prior to registration. All forms needed from the student or will be uploaded into the students' individual portal.

Individuals receiving Title IV funds will need to complete all requirements listed above and must attend a personal interview with a Financial Aid Representative at DSDT's main campus location. A telephone interview and/or virtual meeting will be considered if the applicant's geographical location and ability to travel to the interview site is a hardship and/or the student is a branch location student.

# ACCEPTANCE

1. *Attend Orientation via (online or in-person)* After a prospective student has completed the preenrollment application process and has been through the initial screening, the Admissions Representative will review the applicant. If they meet the requirements, the applicant will be reviewed by the Director of Admissions at DSDT's main location and scheduled for orientation. Applicants must complete an in-person or online orientation with the Admissions Team prior to acceptance.

# 2. Applicants must provide the following verification documents:

- 1. High school diploma, high school transcripts, or GED,
- And current driver's license, state approved ID, or picture ID with social security card or birth certificate
   Note: We are required to verify your proof of education is from a valid high school or GED program.

Admission Requirements for Students with a High School Diploma are as follows:

1. Proof of Age - Applicants who are not 18 years of age prior to their desired start date at DSDT may apply at the age of 17 with parental permission.



- 2. Students must also be able to provide proof of appropriate educational requirement such as;
  - High school diploma
  - Homeschooling Though homeschooled students are not considered to have a <u>high school</u> <u>diploma or equivalent</u>, the student can be eligible to receive FSA funds if their secondary school education was <u>in a homeschool that state law treats as a home or private school</u>. Some states issue a secondary school completion credential to homeschoolers. If this is the case in the state where the student was homeschooled, the student must obtain this credential to be eligible for FSA funds. The student can include in their homeschooling self certification that they received this state credential.
  - Foreign High School diploma or transcript Note: The high school diploma or transcript requirement can also be from a foreign school if it is equivalent to a U.S. high school diploma; Documentation of proof of completion of secondary education from a foreign country must be officially translated into English and officially certified as the equivalent of high school completion in the United States.)
  - <u>Recognized equivalents of a high school diploma</u>. The Department of Education recognizes several equivalents to a high school diploma:
  - A GED certificate;
  - A certificate or other <u>official completion</u> documentation demonstrating that the student has passed a state-authorized examination (such as the Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC) the High School Equivalency Test (Hi SET), or, in California, the California High School Proficiency Exam) that the state recognizes as the equivalent of a high school diploma (note that certificates of attendance and/or completion are **not** included in this qualifying category)
  - **For Veterans only:** As an alternative document you may submit a copy of DD Form 214 Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty to verify a student's high school completion if it indicates that the individual is a high school graduate or equivalent.
  - For Ch 30 Veterans only: Students will be required to sign an acknowledgement of financial responsibility form.
  - For students that use 3<sup>rd</sup> party funding sources only: Students will be required to sign a private education loan disclosure statement.
- 3. **Complete Enrollment Contract & Enrollment Documentation** Once orientation is completed, the prospective student will receive a copy of the student handbook along with a copy of the enrollment contract and information covering costs and payment plans prior to the beginning of class attendance. DSDT clearly outlines the obligation of both the school and the student in the enrollment contract.

When the student has completed all the necessary requirements, he/she receives an acceptance letter and will be placed into the respective program of study. Note: All applicants must go through the entire enrollment application process (detailed in the catalog, online publication, and on the enrollment application).

## **ENROLLMENT INFORMATION**

DSDT is on a continuous enrollment schedule, depending upon space availability. Please refer to the tuition and course schedule or contact DSDT for exact start dates, holidays and school closures: DSDT allows the following holidays off: New Year's Day, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Memorial and Independence, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and December 24th and 25th.



# PAYMENT SCHEDULE

DSDT offers a variety of monthly financial payments schedules. Speak with a DSDT Admissions Representative or Financial Aid Representative for details.

# ALCOHOL AND DRUG POLICY

DSDT's full policy can be found in the updated Consumer Info at a Glance guide, listed on DSDT's website and in print throughout the institution in the "Policy and Procedure" Master Handbook.

# STUDENTS CONVICTED OF POSESSION OR SALE OF DRUGS

Federal Penalties for Drug Violations According to the U.S. Department of Education Office of National Drug Control Policy.

- 1. Period of ineligibility for Federal Student Aid Funds: **Possession** of Illegal Drugs
  - a) Only one time for possession of illegal drugs 1 year of ineligibility to receive Title IV funds after date of conviction
  - b) Two times for possession of illegal drugs 2 years of ineligibility to receive Title IV funds after date of the second conviction
  - c) Three or more times for possession of illegal drugs- ineligible to receive Title IV funds for an indefinite period after date of the third conviction
- 2. Period of ineligibility for Federal Student Aid Funds: Sale of Illegal Drugs
  - a) Only one time for the sale of illegal drugs 2 year of ineligibility to receive Title IV funds after date of conviction
  - b) Two times for the sale of illegal drugs ineligible to receive Title IV funds for an indefinite period after date of the second conviction

\*Note: Under the law, an indefinite period of ineligibility continues unless the conviction is overturned or otherwise rendered invalid or the student meets one of the two early reinstatement requirements specified above.

If a student successfully completes a drug rehabilitation program after the student's most recent drug conviction, the student regains eligibility on the date the student successfully completes the program. Students may regain eligibility the day after the period of ineligibility ends or when he or she successfully completes a qualified drug rehabilitation program. Beginning with the 2010-11 academic year, passing two unannounced drug tests given by a qualified drug rehabilitation program will be acceptable to regain eligibility.

A Drug Rehabilitation program is as follows:

- Includes at least two unannounced drug tests; and
- Has received or is qualified to receive funds directly or indirectly under a Federal, State, or local government program; Is administered or recognized by a Federal, State, or local government agency or court; Has received or is qualified to receive payment directly or indirectly from a Federally- or State-licensed insurance company; or Is administered or recognized by a Federally- or State-licensed hospital, health clinic or medical doctor.

# **ADMISSIONS AND RECRUITING**

Any changes to these publications, rules of admissions, contract enrollment agreements and or any printed admissions information will be given to all current, prospect and future students in a timely manner.



# **RETURN OF TITLE IV FEDERAL STUDENT AID**

\*This refund policy is in addition to the Institutional Refund Policy\* Federal Financial Aid Refunds - Return of Title IV Calculation

The school participates in federal financial aid for the 600-clock hour Digital Marketing Professional Diploma Program, the 600-clock hour Business Information Technology Specialist Diploma Program, the 760-clock hour Medical Assistant Diploma Program and the 600-clock hour Prompt Engineer Professional Diploma Program. The 80-clock hour Technology Professional 2 Certificate Program, the 80-clock hour AI Prompt Specialist Certificate Program, 240-clock hour Technology Professional 6 Certificate Program and 320-clock hour Full Stack Developer Certificate programs are NOT eligible for Title IV funds. Please refer to the following refund policy for specific consumer information pursuant to the federal financial aid program.

The Federal Return of Title IV funds formula (R2T4) dictates the amount of Federal Title IV aid that must be returned to the federal government by the school and/or the student. The federal formula is applicable to an eligible student receiving federal aid when that student withdraws at any point during the payment period. If a student did not start or begin attendance at the school, the R2T4 formula does not apply.

# **Official Withdrawal**

Occurs when a student contacts the Director of Administration and/or the respective School Director (verbally or in writing) to withdraw. The date the notification is received, is the date of withdraw. The Director of Financial Aid and/or the respective School Director will then be notified and must begin the withdrawal process. The students last day of attendance will be used in the return to Title IV calculation.

# **Unofficial Withdrawal**

Occurs when a student leaves the school without notice and/or when he/she is not meeting satisfactory academic progress. A student's withdrawal date is their last date of physical attendance. Their date of determination is within 14 days after they cease attendance. Aid received prior to the determination date is aid that could have been disbursed. If a student withdraws during a leave of absence, the date of determination is the date they officially withdraw. If the student does not return from a leave of absence, their date of determination is the date they were scheduled to return.

DSDT is a clock-hour program school, and the percentage of the payment period completed is calculated by the hours scheduled in the payment period as of the withdrawal date divided by the scheduled hours in the payment period.

Unearned Title IV funds are the amount of grant and loan assistance awarded under Title IV that have not been earned by the student and must be returned to their respective program. The amount to be returned is calculated by subtracting the amount of Title IV assistance earned from the amount of Title IV aid that was or could have been disbursed as of the withdrawal date. For example, if you complete 30% of your payment period, you earn 30% of the assistance you were originally scheduled to receive.

## \*If the resulting percentage is greater than 60% a student is considered to have earned all aid. \*

## **Post-Withdrawal Disbursement**

If a student receives less Title IV funds than the amount earned, the school will offer the student a disbursement of the earned aid that was not received at the time of their withdrawal which is called a post- withdrawal



disbursement. Post-withdrawal disbursements will be made from Pell Grant funds first, if the student is eligible. If there are current educational costs still due to the school at the time of withdrawal, a Pell Grant postwithdrawal disbursement will be credited to the student's account. Any remaining Pell funds must be released to the student without the student having to take any action. Post-withdraw disbursements must be made within 45 days.

If any federal loan funds are due in a post-withdrawal disbursement, they must be offered to the student within 30 days of withdrawal and the school must receive the student's authorization before crediting their account.

The student is required to respond within 14 days to the email notice and state whether they accept or reject the disbursement. If DSDT does not hear back from the student, we will return the funds.

\*It is also important to understand that accepting a post-withdrawal disbursement of student loan funds will increase a student's overall student loan debt that must be repaid under the terms of the Master Promissory Note. Additionally, accepting the disbursement of grant funds will reduce the remaining amount of grant funds available to the student should the student continue his/her education at a later time.\*

# Overpayment

Any amount of unearned grant funds that you must return is called overpayment. Occasionally and R2T4 results in an overpayment that a student is required to return to a grant or loan program. Grant over payments of \$50 or less do not have to be returned.

A student who owes an overpayment remains eligible for Title IV, HEA program funds during and beyond 45 days from the date the school sends a notification to the student of overpayment, or 45 days from the date the school was required to notify the student of the overpayment if, during those 45 days the student:

- Repays the overpayment in full to the school.
- Enters into a repayment agreement with the school in accordance with repayment arrangements satisfactory to the school; or
- Signs a repayment agreement with the Department, which will include terms that permit a student to repay the overpayment while maintaining his/ her eligibility for Title IV, HEA program funds.

Within 30 days of the date of the school's determination that the student withdrew, an institution must send a notice to any student who owes a Title IV, HEA grant overpayment as a result of the student's withdrawal from the school in order to recover the overpayment.

If the student does not repay the overpayment in full to the school or enter a repayment agreement with the school or the Department within the earlier of 45 days from the date the school sends notification to the student of overpayment, or 45 days from the date the school was required to notify the student of the overpayment.

At any time, the student fails to meet the terms of the repayment agreement with the school:

- The student chooses to enter into a repayment agreement with the Department.
- The student who owes an overpayment is ineligible for Title IV HEA program funds.

You must make arrangement with the school or Department of Education to return the amount of unearned grant funds.



# **Credit Balance**

If a credit balance still exists on the student's account after the R2T4 calculations and institutional refund calculations are done, any credit balance remaining on a student account must be used to pay a grant

overpayment that exists prior to offering any grant overpayment that exists within 14 days from the date that the R2T4 calculation was performed. The overpayment must be eliminated prior to offering a credit balance to a student.

If you, your parent, or DSDT receives on your behalf excess Title IV program funds that must be returned, DSDT must return a portion of the excess funds equal to the lesser of:

- 1. Your institutional charges multiplied by the unearned percentage of your funds, or
- 2. The entire amount of excess funds

DSDT must return this amount of your Title IV program funds. If DSDT is not required to return all the excess funds, you may be required to return the remaining amount.

Funds that are returned to the federal government are used to reduce your outstanding balances of your Title IV program funds.

Financial aid returned by you, your parent, or DSDT must be allocated in the following order:

- 1. Federal Unsubsidized Direct Loan
- 2. Federal Subsidized Direct Loan
- 3. Federal Direct Parent Loan (PLUS)
- 4. Federal PELL Grant
- 5. Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant

The requirements for Title IV program funds when you withdraw are separate from DSDT's institutional refund policy. Therefore, you may still owe funds to the school to cover unpaid institutional charges. DSDT may still charge you for any Title IV program funds that the school was required to return.

Student signature

Date



# **INSTITUTIONAL REFUND POLICY AND SIGNATURE FORM**

## **Tuition Costs**

Vary based on the type of program selected. No deposit per program start date is due upon receiving your acceptance from DSDT. Tuition must be paid in full two weeks prior to the start of the program. If your program begins in less than two weeks, 100% of your course cost must accompany your signed enrollment agreement. There will be a \$25.00 charge for returned checks and for credit card dispute.

## **Cancellation Policy**

We reserve the right to cancel any class, with or without reason, any time prior to the first day of class. All tuition monies paid by students will be refunded if a class is cancelled. Cancellation notices will only be given to students who have already registered and paid for the class. Class dates, times, and prices are subject to change at any time. Any changes that affect a student contract will be revised, and both the student and the school will have to sign the new contract.

#### **Refunds for Classes Canceled by the Institution**

If tuition and fees are collected in advance of the start date of a program and the institution cancels the class, 100% of the tuition and fees collected must be refunded. The refund shall be made within 45 days of the planned start date.

#### Refunds for Students Who Withdraw on or Before the First Day of Class

If tuition and fees are collected in advance of the start date of classes and the student does not begin the program or withdraws on the first day of class, no more than \$100 of the tuition and fees may be retained by the institution. Appropriate refunds for a student who does not begin classes shall be made within 45 days of the class start date.

#### **Refunds for Students Enrolled Prior to Visiting the Institution**

Students who have not visited the school facility prior to enrollment will have the opportunity to withdraw without penalty within three days following either attendance at a regularly scheduled orientation or following a tour of the facilities and inspection of the equipment.

# Refunds for Students Enrolled in Professional Development, Continuing Education, or Limited Contract Instruction

Institutions engaging in programs, which are short-term, must have a written policy or contract statement regarding whether or not fees and instructional charges are refundable.

#### **Refunds for Withdrawal after Class Commences**

The refund policy for a student attending a non-public institution who incurs a financial obligation for a period of 12 months or less shall be as follows:

Financial Obligation (based on payment period)	Institutional Refund
00.00%-10%	90%
10.01%-25%	50%
25.01%-50%	25%
50.01%-100%	0%



# **REFUND POLICY – NOTICE OF CANCELLATION**

For applicants who cancel enrollment or students who withdraw from enrollment, a fair and equitable settlement will apply. The following policy will apply to all terminations for any reason, by either party, including student decision, program cancellation, or school closure.

Any monies due to the applicant or students shall be refunded within 45 days of official cancellation or withdrawal. Official cancellation or withdrawal shall occur on the earlier of the dates that:

- 1. Applicant is not accepted by the school: The applicant shall be entitled to a refund of all monies paid.
- 2. A student (or legal guardian) cancels his/her enrollment in writing within three business days of signing the enrollment agreement. In this case all monies collected by the school shall be refunded, regardless of whether or not the student has actually started classes.
- 3. A student cancels his/her enrollment after three business days of signing the contract but prior to starting classes. In these cases, he/she shall be entitled to a refund of all monies paid to the school.
- 4. A student notifies the institution of his/her withdrawal in writing. In this case, a student will be refunded based on the percent of scheduled time.
- 5. A student withdraws during a leave of absence. The date of determination is the date they officially withdraw. If the student does not return from a leave of absence, their date of determination is the date they were scheduled to return.
- 6. A student is expelled by the school: (Unofficial withdrawals will be determined by the institution by monitoring attendance at least every 30 days.)
- 7. In type 2, 3, 4 or 5, official cancellations or withdrawals, the cancellation date will be determined by the postmark date on the written notification, or the date the notification is delivered to the Director of Administration.

For students who enroll and begin classes but withdraw prior to course completion (after three business days of signing the contract), the following schedule of tuition earned by the school applies:

#### Percent Of Scheduled Time Total Tuition School Enrolled to Total Course/Program Shall Receive/Retain

# .01% to 04.9% 20% .05% to 09.9% 30% 10% to 14.9% 40% 15% to 24.9% 45% 25% to 49.9% 70% 50% to 100% 100%

#### \*Note: All refunds are based on scheduled hours.

All refunds will be calculated based on the student's last date of attendance. Any monies due a student who withdraws shall be refunded within 45 days of the date of determination that a student has withdrawn, whether officially or unofficially. In the case of disabling illness or injury, death in the student's immediate family or other documented mitigating circumstances, a reasonable and fair refund settlement will be made. If permanently closed or no longer offering instruction after a student has enrolled, the school will provide a pro rata refund of tuition to the student. If the course is cancelled subsequent to a student's enrollment, the school will either provide a full refund of all monies paid or completion of the course at a later time.



# AUTHORIZATION TO RETAIN CREDIT BALANCE FUNDS

All Federal Student Aid funds including disbursements from Federal Direct Loan programs will be credited to the student's account for charges including tuition, fees, books and necessary kits for the program, and applicable state taxes.

Unless a student authorizes DSDT to hold a credit balance, the credit balance must be paid to the student as soon as possible but no later than 14 calendar days after the balance is created.

This form, if signed by you, authorizes DSDT to retain a credit balance in place of delivering the credit balance to you when it is created.

You have the right to withhold agreement from all or part of this authorization. If you elect not to authorize DSDT to hold your credit balance, the funds will be paid to you within 14 days.

This authorization may be withdrawn at any time by providing a written request to the following address:

DSDT Attn: Financial Aid Department 1759 W. 20<sup>th</sup> Street Detroit, MI 48216

I,\_\_\_\_\_\_, voluntarily authorize DSDT to retain any credit balance that may occur on my account during the 2023-2024 Financial Aid award year, and I acknowledge that interest will not be earned on the credit balance. I understand that I reserve the right to withdraw this authorization at any time. If I withdraw this authorization at any time, any remaining credit balance will be delivered by DSDT within 14 days.

**Student Signature** 

Date



# **VETERANS' BENEFITS**

Veterans' Benefits are available to eligible students upon acceptance to DSDT. Prospective students should follow the following steps to apply or view their eligibility for their VA education benefits:

- Apply online.
- Visit your nearest VA regional office to apply in person.
- Consult with the VA Certifying Official—who is usually in the Registrar's or Financial Aid office—at the school of your choice. This official has application forms and can help you apply.
- Call 1-888-GI BILL-1 (888-442-4551) to have the application mailed to you.

**DSDT** is approved to train eligible veterans and their dependents under Chapters 33, 31, 30, 1606, VETTEC, VR&E and other types of veterans' benefits.

The chapter of benefits for which the student qualifies determines the payment method. The student is responsible for any balances owed to DSDT from such payments.

**Veterans** and their dependents may also apply for other financial aid by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). To complete a financial aid application, go to fafsa.ed.gov.

Students receiving veterans' benefits must continuously be in good academic standing. (See the Academic Standing section in this Handbook.)

Students failing to remain in good academic standing will be placed on academic probation. Student veterans who are not removed from probationary status will not be recertified for VA educational benefits until they are removed from academic probation.

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs will be notified if a student fails to be removed from probation at the end of probation period.

The Veterans Benefit Administration determines enrollment status according to the dates of the classes and DSDT is required to notify the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs when a student ceases to enroll at DSDT.

Starting August 1st, 2019, Students enrolling under GI Bill® and VR&E beneficiaries (Chapter 33 and Chapter 31 beneficiaries) can attend training for up to 90 days from the date the student provides a certificate of eligibility, or valid VAF 28-1905. This policy allows a student to attend training until VA provides payment to the institution. The Institution will not impose a penalty, or require students under VA benefits to borrow additional funds to cover tuition and fees due to late payments from VA.

GI Bill® is a registered trademark of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). More information about education benefits offered by VA is available at the official U.S. government Web site at http://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill.



# SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS POLICY AND PROCEDURE

The Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy is consistently applied to all students enrolled at DSDT. It is available online in the school catalog to ensure that all students receive a copy prior to enrollment. This policy complies with the guidelines established by the Council on Occupational Education and the federal regulations established by the United States Department of Education.

#### **Evaluation Periods**

Student will be evaluated to ensure they are meeting the SAP requirement at the following intervals.

For the following program SAP Evaluation takes place at the end of each payment period:

Diploma Program	Evaluation Period (clock hours)
Medical Assistant	Academic Year 1- 380 & 760 (actual hours attended)
Digital Marketing Professional	Academic Year 1- 300 & 600 (actual hours attended)
Business Information Technology Specialist	Academic Year 1- 300 & 600 (actual hours attended)
Prompt Engineer Professional	Academic Year 1- 300 & 600 (actual hours attended)

For all certification programs satisfactory programs are evaluated as followed:

Certification Program	Clock Hour Interval
Full Stack Developer	160, 320 (scheduled clock hours)
Technology Professional 6	80, 160, 240 (scheduled clock hours)
Technology Professional 2	40, 80 (scheduled clock hours)
AI Prompt Specialist	40, 80 (scheduled clock hours)

## **Attendance Policy**

Students are required to attend a minimum of 67% (66.5% or higher is rounded to 67%) of the hours scheduled based on their attendance schedule in order to be considered making Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP). Attendance evaluations are conducted at the end of each evaluation period listed above to determine if the minimum requirements have been met. Attendance percentage is determined by dividing the total hours accrued (actual hours attended) by the total number hours scheduled at the end of the evaluation period (cumulative attendance from the beginning of the program to the date the checkpoint is reached). At the end of each evaluation period, the institution will determine if the student has maintained the cumulative minimum requirement of 67% since the beginning of the course, which will indicate that given the same attendance rate, the student will graduate within the maximum time frame allowed.

**Example Attendance:** A student is scheduled to attend 22 hrs. per week ( $67\% \times 22=15$ ). DSDT encourages students not to miss any days. All absences are recorded and made a part of the school's permanent record. The student is responsible for class material and/or tests missed while absent



(reference the Make-up Time Policy). Regardless of the average level of attendance, a student who has more than 10 school days (14 calendar days) of consecutive absences without communication to the Director of Administration and/or respective School Director will be dismissed on the 11<sup>th</sup> consecutive school day as an unofficial withdraw. Students with persistent absenteeism will be advised and subject to dismissal with reenrollment at the discretion of the Director of Administration and/or respective School Director.

## **Academic Progress Evaluations**

The qualitative element used to determine academic progress is based a reasonable system of grades as determined by a combination of the academic curriculum and instruction. Academic learning is evaluated at the completion of each segment of the program. Students participate in academic learning and a minimum number of practical assignments. DSDT students are required to maintain a cumulative 70% Grade Point Average (GPA) in order to be considered making satisfactory academic progress (SAP). Academic Progress evaluations are conducted at the end of each evaluation period to determine if the minimum requirements have been met.

Academic Progress is determined by an average (cumulative) of the student's theory and practical grades. Practical skills evaluations will be conducted and delivered based on the program length, according to text procedures and set forth in practical skills evaluation criteria adopted by DSDT.

DSDT considers a "C" grade or 2.0 cumulative GPA the minimum cumulative standards required to graduate.

Α	100%-90%	4.0	Exceeds Standards
В	89%-80%	3.0	Meets Standards
С	79%-70%	2.0	Minimum Standards
D	69%-60%	1.0	Unacceptable Standards
F	59%- 0%	0.0	Failure

## DSDT evaluates numerical grades based on the following grade point average (GPA) scale:

# **Teaching And Learning Methods**

The clock hour education is provided through a sequential set of learning steps which address specific tasks necessary for graduation and job entry level skills. Practical equipment, implements, and products are comparable to those used in the industry. Each student will receive instruction that relates to the performance of useful, creative, and productive career- oriented activities. The course is presented through comprehensive lesson plans which reflect effective educational methods. Subjects are presented by means of interactive lecture, demonstration, cooperative learning, labs, student activities, and student participation. Audio-visual aids, guest speakers, field trips, projects, activities, and other related learning methods are used in the course.

## **Maximum Timeframe- Pace of Completion**

DSDT requires a student to progress through the program toward graduation within an established time frame. Based on DSDT's 67% attendance rate policy, the maximum time frame during which students are to complete any course is 150% of the published course length. DSDT students are monitored and advised monthly regarding their attendance and academic achievements. Maximum time frame is calculated during a student's training by dividing the number of clock hours earned by the number of clock hours attempted. If the result is 67% or greater, then the student is progressing at a pace to ensure completion within the maximum timeframe. If it becomes mathematically impossible for a student to complete the program within the maximum time frame, the student will be terminated from the program.



The maximum time frame allowed for students to complete each course is stated below:

Program	Maximum Time Allowed
	Weeks
Medical Assistant	52
(760 clock hours)	
Digital Marketing Professional	41
(600 clock hours)	
Business Information Technology	41
Specialist	
(600 clock hours)	
Prompt Engineer Professional	41
(600 clock hours)	
Full Stack Developer	22
(320 clock hours)	
Technology Professional 6	17
(240 clock hours)	
Technology Professional 2	6
(80 clock hours)	
AI Prompt Specialist	6
(80 clock hours)	

\*All attempted, repeated courses and withdrawals, (except incompletes) at DSDT are counted toward the 150% eligibility.

\*All periods of attendance count toward maximum time frame.

#### **Make-Up Time Policy**

Students are expected to make-up missed days and exams. Students may utilize the various school schedules and classes to complete makeup time and exams. All attendance make-up time will be done during normal school hours but in the student's non-scheduled class time. We do not allow part-time students all students are considered full time for 22-hour pre week.

#### **Excused Absence Policy**

Absences are excused for up to 10% of scheduled course hours per payment period. A student's excused absences may not exceed 10% of scheduled course hours; absences greater than 10% of scheduled course hours are considered unexcused.

- It is expected that a student who is absent will make up hours at the next available make-up session. The dates and times for make-up sessions will be up to the instructor's discretion.
- Students can only make up hours previously missed and total attended hours cannot exceed total scheduled course hours.
- A grade of "F" will be posted if the student does not complete the required course hours.
- Students attending make-up hours must meet dress code and other DSDT policies.

#### **Determination of Progress**

Students are provided with cumulative progress reports on a monthly basis so they can track their progress. Students meeting the minimum qualitative 70% GPA requirement for academics and the quantitative 67% attendance (considered the pace) at the scheduled evaluation point are considered to be satisfactory. Students that fail to meet the minimum requirements for making Satisfactory Academic Progress may have an interruption of their Title IV Funding (Financial Aid), unless the student is on Warning or has successfully appealed and was granted Probation.



#### **Financial Aid Warning**

Students failing to meet the minimum SAP requirements during an official evaluation period will be placed on Warning. The student will be advised in writing that they are in warning along with the actions that are

required to attain SAP by the next evaluation period. If at the time of the next payment period, the student has still not met both the academic and attendance requirements, the student will be placed on probation. Students may not appeal an Academic Warning. A student failing to meet the SAP requirements at the end of the Academic Warning period will be sent a Probationary letter and the option to appeal the decision.

#### Probation

Students who fail to meet the minimum SAP after a warning period may be placed on Probation. The student will be advised via email of the actions required to achieve SAP by the next evaluation, this is called an academic plan. If at the end of the probation period, the student has NOT met both the attendance and academic requirements to achieve SAP or the guidelines indicated by the academic plan, he or she will be deemed ineligible to receive Title IV funds (Financial Aid).

#### **Re-Establishing Eligibility**

Students may re-establish satisfactory academic progress and Title IV funding (if applicable), by meeting the minimum requirements by the end of the Warning or Probationary period. Students who re-enroll who were considered as not making SAP at the time of their previous withdrawal, may re- establish FSA eligibility upon meeting the published standards at the end of their first payment period after re- enrollment.

#### **Appeal Procedure**

If a student is determined to be in probationary status, the student may appeal the determination within ten calendar days. Appeals submitted outside of this deadline will be accepted and considered but may be applied for a subsequent academic period. The Director of Student Services (Main Location) is responsible for making a recommendation on the appeal and electronically submitting the appeal to the Director of Administration (Main Location) and sending it to the respective School Director. Reasons for which students may appeal a negative progress determination include death of a relative, an injury or illness of the student, or any other allowable special or mitigating circumstance. The student must submit a written appeal to the Director of Student Services (Main Location) describing why they failed to meet SAP standards, along with supporting documentation of the reasons why the determination should be reversed. This information should include what has changed about the student's situation that will allow them to achieve SAP by the next evaluation point. Appeal documents will be reviewed, and a decision will be made and reported to the student within 10 business days. All determinations are final. All documents will be retained in the student file. If the student prevails upon the appeal, the Satisfactory Academic Progress determination will be reversed and the eligibility for Title IV Funds (Financial Aid) eligibility will be re-instated.

## **Suspension and Termination Policy**

Suspension or termination from DSDT may happen if the student participates in any of the following:

- · Possession of illegal drugs or alcohol on school premises, grounds, or parkinglot
- Theft from students, or of school property, or supplies
- Willful destruction of school property
- Insubordination
- Loud, boisterous behavior or foul language

## **Diplomas and Certifications of Completions**

Upon satisfactory completion of the required course hours and course requirements, a diploma or Certification of Completion will be issued to the student. The institution may withhold official academic transcripts and diplomas/certificates if the student has not met all financial obligations.



A transcript fee of \$10 will apply if an additional request is made after the first release of transcripts. Please send a money order (personal checks are NOT accepted). Please complete the Transcript Request Form.

## Changing Degrees, Second Degrees, Repeating Coursework, Incompletes and Withdrawals

\*DSDT does not offer degree programs at this time\*

In the case where a student pursues a second-degree program, courses taken that do not contribute to the new degree program DO NOT count toward the 150 percent requirement. Any repeat coursework, or coursework for which a grade of incomplete or withdrawn is given counts toward both the quantitative and qualitative measures for calculating SAP. Any student pursuing an additional degree program is subject to both the 150

percent time frame and the 2.00 cumulative GPA requirements.

DSDT does not offer noncredit remedial courses. Therefore, noncredit remedial coursework is independent

work and does not contribute toward the 150 percent completion time frame nor is it counted toward the qualitative 2.00 GPA requirement.

#### **Change of Incomplete Grade**

A grade of incomplete (I) may be changed to a passing grade, within the program length from the date of receiving the grade, if the student satisfactorily completes all the requirements set forth by the course instructor. Otherwise, the incomplete grade of an I will automatically be changed to an F.

A student is given 14 days from the end of the term to make arrangements with their instructor if they have an I grade because of excused absences. To change the I to an F the student must make up the missing coursework within 14 days. Once the 14-day mark has passed, F grade will become permanent, and the student must retake the course.

When a grade of I is changed to a pass or fail grade, SAP is re-calculated.

#### **Repeated Courses**

Financial Aid and Veteran Affairs funding will not pay for a repeated class if the student has already passed the class with a grade that will be counted towards his/her degree. In cases that the student receives a failing grade for their coursework, financial aid will only pay for ONE repeat of any course. All courses affect both the qualitative and quantitative SAP measures by applying the failed and repeated course toward maximum time frame. Students are required to verify attendance for terms in which they receive unsatisfactory grades.

#### **Summer Terms**

DSDT does not distinguish between summer, fall and winter terms. However, student financial aid is subject to the annual loan limits subsidized and/or unsubsidized. All periods of enrollment count toward Satisfactory Academic Progress.

#### **Transfer Credits**

None of DSDT's programs accept transfer credits from another institution or grant students advanced standing in the program based on experience.

Credits earned at DSDT may not transfer to another educational institution. Transfer credits and acceptance of transfer credits for advanced standing will be at the discretion of the other institution. DSDT provides transcripts to other institutions upon request by the student or institution requesting them. A record release form will need to be filled out during orientation and in the students respective file at the time of the request. The ability to transfer credits to another institution may be limited.



#### Leave of Absence (LOA)/Withdrawals

If enrollment is temporarily interrupted for an approved Leave of Absence, the student will return to school in the same satisfactory academic progress status determined prior to the leave of absence. Students must submit a LOA request form, located in the student handbook, to the student services department.

Hours elapsed during the LOA will extend the student's contract period and maximum time frame by the same number of days taken and will not be included in the attendance percentage calculation. Students who withdraw from their program prior to completion and wish to re-enroll, will return in the same satisfactory academic progress status as at the time of withdrawal.

#### Withdrawals and The Return of Title IV Funds

DSDT performs "Return to Title IV" calculations for all withdrawing students as per its R2T4 Policy. If a withdrawn student returns to school, DSDT will apply its SAP policy in continuation of such a student's SAP-status at the time of withdrawal. Title IV, HEA federal financial aid funds are awarded under the assumption

that a student will remain in classroom attendance for the entire period for which the funds were awarded. When a student withdraws from their respective program of study, regardless of the reason, she/he may no longer be eligible for the full amount of funds originally awarded. The return of funds to the federal government is based on the premise that a student earns financial aid in proportion to the length of time during which she/he remains enrolled. A pro-rated schedule determines the amount of federal student aid funds she/he will have earned at the time of full withdrawal. There is no such thing as fraction of clock hours, it is not acceptable to round clock hours for R2T4 purposes.

Federal regulations require a recalculation of financial aid eligibility if a student:

-Completely withdraws.

-Stops attending before the semester's end.

-Does not complete all modules in which the student is enrolled

DSDT students who receive federal financial aid and who do not remain in attendance through the end of the academic period may be responsible for repaying a portion of the financial aid originally received (Please see DSDT Refund Policy).

Students who do not begin attendance in classes are not eligible for federal financial aid and must repay all aid originally received.

**Student Signature** 

Date



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Feb 5- Mar 1 2024	Feb 3- Feb 28 2025
Mar 4- Mar 29 2024	Mar 3- Mar 28 2025
Apr 1- Apr 26 2024	Mar 31- Apr 25 2025
Apr 29- May 24 2024	Apr 28- May 23 2025
May 27- Jun 21 2024	May 26- Jun 20 2025
Jun 24- Jul 19 2024	Jun 23- Jul 18 2025
July 22- Aug 16 2024	July 21- Aug 15 2025
Aug 19- Sep 13 2024	Aug 18- Sep 12 2025
Sep 16- Oct 11 2024	Sep 15- Oct 10 2025
Oct 14- Nov 8 2024	Oct 13- Nov 7 2025
Nov 11- Dec 6 2024	Nov 10- Dec 5 2025
Dec 9- Jan 3 2025	Dec 8- Jan 2 2026

# Technology Professional 2 - 2024 – 2026 Calendar

# AI Prompt Specialist - 2024 – 2026 Calendar

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Nov 11- Jan 31 2025	Nov 10- Jan 30 2026
Dec 9- Feb 28 2025	Dec 8- Feb 27 2026



# Digital Marketing Professional - 2024 – 2026 Calendar

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Aug 19- Feb 28 2025	Aug 18- Feb 27 2026
Sep 16- Mar 28 2025	Sep 15- March 27 2026
Oct 14- Apr 25 2025	Oct 13- April 24 2026
Nov 11- May 23 2025	Nov 10- May 22 2026
Dec 9- Jun 20 2025	Dec 8- Jun 19 2026

# **Business Information Technology Specialist – 2024 – 2026 Calendar**

2024/25 Start and End Dates	2025/26 Start and End Dates
Jan 8- Jul 19 2024	Jan 6- Jul 18 2025
Feb 5- Aug 16 2024	Feb 3- Aug 15 2025
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# Full Stack Developer – 2024 - 2026 Calendar

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July 22- Nov 8 2024	July 21- Nov 7 2025
Aug 19- Dec 6 2024	Aug 18- Dec 5 2025
Sep 16- Jan 3 2025	Sep 15- Jan 2 2026
Oct 14- Jan 31 2025	Oct 13- Jan 30 2026
Nov 11- Feb 28 2025	Nov 10- Feb 27 2026
Dec 9- Mar 28 2025	Dec 8- Mar 27 2026

# Medical Assistant – 2024 - 2026 Calendar

2024/25 Start and End Dates	2025/26 Start and End Dates
Jan 8- Sep 27 2024	Jan 6- Sep 26 2025
Feb 5- Oct 25 2024	Feb 3- Oct 24 2025
Mar 4- Nov 22 2024	Mar 3- Nov 21 2025
Apr 1- Dec 20 2024	Mar 31- Dec 19 2025
Apr 29- Jan 17 2024	Apr 28- Jan 16 2026
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## **CAMPUS COURSE OFFERINGS** The course syllabus will be given at the start of each course. Times: Day and Evening Classes (9-4:20 P.M. & 4:30-9:50 P.M.)

#### Business Information Technology Specialist Diploma Program 600 Clock Hours 7.5 Total Courses

#### **Course Description:**

This program has 7.5 courses and is an exploration of the technical skills essential to the modern workplace environment. Graduates of the Business Information Technology Specialist Diploma Program will enter the workforce with a broad scope of certifications to enrich graduate employability and income potential. Students begin the program by gaining a robust comprehension of entry level or Core IT skills. Learning will then progress into focused courses. The Business Information Technology Specialist Program will provide students with a roadmap to gainful employment by instruction in the following courses: CompTIA A+, CompTIA Network+, CompTIA Security+, CompTIA CySA+, CompTIA Linux+, CompTIA Cloud+, CompTIA Pentest+ and Health & Safety and Job Readiness/ IT Fundamentals.

#### Job Titles:

IT Support, IT Help Desk, IT Analyst, Technical Support Specialist, Network Administrator, Network Engineer, Field Technician, Security Operations Center Analyst, Cybersecurity Compliance Officer, Cloud Engineer, Cloud Analyst, Project Manager Cloud, Data Center Management, Cloud Specialist, Web Administrator, Server Support Technician, Storage Administrator, Server Administrator, Threat Intelligence Analyst, Application Security Analyst, Threat Monitor, Security Engineer, Network Technician, Computer Programmer, Entry Level Programmer, Infrastructure Engineer, IT Infrastructure Technician, Tier 3 Support Specialist, and more.

#### Digital Marketing Professional Diploma Program 600 Clock Hours 7.5 Total courses

#### **Course Description:**

This program has 7.5 courses and a fully stacked curriculum with the focus being Digital Marketing and a combination of courses that make up the full program and teach you the necessary skills in Copywriting, Graphic Design, Content Creation, Web Design, Social Media Advertising, and Health and Safety and Job Readiness.

#### Job Titles:

Digital Marketing Coordinator, Graphic Designer, Digital Media Specialist, Visualization Media Specialist, Digital Content Marketing Specialist, Media Coordinator, Social Media Content Designer, Account Strategist, Social Media Specialist, Social & Digital Media Assistant, Visual Themes Designer, Digital Marketing Strategist, Creative Director, Digital Brand Manager, Social Media Analytics Consultant, Digital Media Planner, Digital Campaign Specialist, Graphic Media Designer, Communications Coordinator, Creative Specialist, Video Specialist, Production Specialist, Brand & Communications Designer, Multimedia Specialist, and more.

#### Prompt Engineer Professional Diploma Program 600 Clock Hours 4.5 Total courses

#### **Course Description:**

The Prompt Engineer Professional program offers an extensive and immersive learning experience tailored to prepare students for a successful career in the dynamic field of AI language model engineering. This curriculum encompasses a broad range of critical topics, ensuring a solid foundation in Programming, Natural Language Processing (NLP), Machine Learning, Data Analysis, Data Visualization, API Integration, Version Control, Experimentation and Evaluation, Optimization Techniques, and Software Development Best Practices. Through a combination of theoretical instruction and practical, hands-on exercises, students will develop a comprehensive understanding and skill set in prompt engineering, empowering them to address real-world challenges and excel in their professional endeavors.



**Job Titles:** Prompt Engineer, AI Prompt Engineer, Senior Machine Learning Engineer, Machine Leaning Engineer, AI Data Engineer, Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Engineer, Applied Scientist Engineer, AI Engineer, Generative AI Product Manager, Cognitive Technology Leader, AI Senior Backend Engineer, AI Software Engineer, Data and AI Architect, and more.

#### Medical Assistant Diploma Program 760 Clock Hours 8 Total courses

#### **Course Description:**

The Medical Assistant program prepares students to perform both administrative and clinical duties. Students will be trained in a wide range of skills that are essential to a career as medical assistant. The skills completed are included but not limited to administrative tasks and clinical duties. This program focuses on medical practices and procedures, medical ethics and law, medical insurance and record keeping and patient preparation for basic laboratory procedures and tests. A 200-hour externship is required upon completion of the course work.

#### **Job Titles:**

Infertility Medial Assistant, Medical Assistant Internal Medicine, Certified Medical Assistant, Medical Office Assistant, Clinical Assistant, Medical Assistant OBGYN, Laboratory Assistant, Urgent Care Medical Assistant, Medical Receptionist, Behavior Technician, Phlebotomist, Lead Medical Assistant, Clerical & Administrative Assistant, Medical Assistant II, Medical Assistant II, Medical Assistant Receptionist, and more.

#### Full Stack Developer Certificate Program 320 Clock Hours 4 Total Courses

#### **Course Description:**

This is a certificate of completion program which includes instruction in Four (4) Information Technology Courses: Python I, Python II, JavaScript I, and JavaScript II.

#### Job Titles:

Software Analyst, Software Engineer, Quantitative Developer, Front End Developer, Software Developer, Software Developer, Manager, Software Engineer, Application Developer, Web Developer, Full Stack Developer, Associate Software Engineer, and more.

#### Technology Professional 6 Certificate Program 240 Clock Hours 3 Total Courses

#### **Course Description:**

This is a certificate of completion program which includes instruction in Three (3) Information Technology Courses: CompTIA Net+, CompTIA Sec+, and CompTIA CYSA+.

#### Job Titles:

Network Administrator, Systems Administrator, Help Desk Administrator, Programmer, Information Technology Manager, PC Technician, Cisco Network Administrator, Systems Engineer, Network Security Administrator, Cyber Security Analyst, Scripting Analyst, Application Developer, Web Developer, Certified Ethical Hacker, and more.

#### Technology Professional 2 Certificate Program 80 Clock Hours 1 Total Course

#### **Course Description:**

This is a certificate of completion program which includes instruction in One (1) Information Technology Course: CompTIA A+.

#### Job Titles:

Network Administrator, Systems Administrator, Help Desk Administrator, Information Technology Manager, PC Technician, Cisco Network Administrator, Network Security Administrator, Cyber Security Analyst, Scripting Analyst, Application Developer Web Developer, Certified Ethical Hacker and more.

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### AI Prompt Specialist Certificate Program 80 Clock Hours 1 Total Course

#### **Course Description:**

The AI Prompt Specialist course is designed to equip students with the skills and knowledge required to become proficient in designing and optimizing AI prompts for various applications. Over the course of four weeks, students will delve into advanced language models and AI technologies, including ChaptGPT 4, Bard, BingAI, OpenAI Playground, Stable Defusion, and Midjourney.

### Job Titles:

Prompt Engineer, AI Prompt Engineer, AI Data Engineer, Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Engineer, AI Engineer, and more.



# **TUITION AND FEES**

### **Medical Assistant Diploma Program**

Tuition: \$21,995.00 Cost Per Clock Hour: \$28.94 Optional tuition fees, books, and individual materials: \$1,200 Two complimentary uniforms and one stethoscope included

### **Digital Marketing Professional Diploma Program**

Tuition: \$17,995.00 Cost Per Clock Hour: \$29.99 Optional tuition fees, books, and individual materials: \$4,700

#### **Prompt Engineer Professional Diploma Program**

Tuition: \$17,995.00 Cost Per Clock Hour: \$29.99 Optional tuition fees, books, and individual materials: \$4,700

#### **Business Information Technology Specialist Diploma Program**

Tuition: \$17,995.00 Cost Per Clock Hour: \$29.99 Optional tuition fees, books, and individual materials: \$4,700

### **Full Stack Developer Certificate of Completion**

Tuition: \$16,500.00 Cost Per Clock Hour: \$51.56 On-line PDF Books and individual materials included Exam vouchers are not included in cost of tuition and may vary based upon course choice

#### **Technology Professional 2 Certification of Completion**

Tuition and Fees: \$5,000.00 Cost Per Clock Hour: \$62.50 On-line PDF Books and individual materials included Exam vouchers are not included in cost of tuition and may vary based upon course choice

#### **AI Prompt Specialist Certification of Completion**

Tuition and Fees: \$5,000.00 Cost Per Clock Hour: \$62.50 On-line PDF Books and individual materials included

**Technology Professional 6 Certification of Completion**  *Tuition and Fees: \$15,000.00 Cost Per Clock Hour: \$62.50 On-line PDF Books and individual materials included Exam vouchers are not included in cost of tuition and may vary based upon course choice* 





### Medical Assistant Diploma Program Comprehensive Curriculum od svilabi are subject to change based upon Diploma and Cartificate of Completi

# All lesson plans and syllabi are subject to change based upon Diploma and Certificate of Completion choices

## SUMMARY

The Medical Assistant program prepares students to perform both administrative and clinical duties. Students will be trained in a wide range of skills that are essential to a career as medical assistant. The skills completed are included but not limited to administrative tasks and clinical duties. This program focuses on medical practices and procedures, medical ethics and law, medical insurance and record keeping and patient preparation for basic laboratory procedures and tests. A 160-hour externship is required upon completion of the course work.

## **OBJECTIVES**

To prepare students for post-program success by providing a rich learning environment utilizing research-based methods of instruction and providing access to relevant and current resources and materials. Students will participate in a challenging and worthwhile diploma program based on current industry/academic expectations. The Medical Assistant Program will provide students with a roadmap to gainful employment by instruction in 8.5 courses.

#### **COURSES**

Introduction to Medical Assistant and Basic Healthcare Knowledge, Pharmacology and Administration of Medications, Intro Computers and Electronic Medical Records, Clinical Procedures, Medical Office Management, Medical Lab I Procedures, Medical Lab II Procedures, Health and Safety and Job Readiness Training and Externship.

## **REQUIRED MATERIAL**

- Personal Computer with stable access to internet (highly recommended)
- Notebook and/or sketch book

## **COURSE FORMAT**

- Instructor Led Lecture
- 100% online and/or 100% in-resident training depending on funding source
- Lab Sessions

#### ASSIGNMENTS

Many of the course requirements and assignments will be fulfilled during lab time, a one-hour session during in class meetings will be dedicated to homework and classwork.

## STUDENT ASSESMENT AND GRADING- \*Please reference Academic Policies and Procedures full Policy\*

#### **LEARNING STRUCTURE**

- 370 Clock Hours- 100% online and/or 100% in-resident training depending on funding source
- 390 Clock Hours- Lab Hours
- 160 Clock Hours- Externship

#### SOFTWARE

Cengage, Office 365

#### ATTENDANCE

Attendance on a daily basis is a mandatory requirement for all students. Any class session or activity missed, regardless of cause, reduces the opportunity for learning and may adversely affect a student's achievement. Students are responsible to instructors for class attendance and for any class work missed during an absence. Student is responsible to catch up on the missing material on his/her own by contacting fellow classmates or instructor.





### **UNIFORM POLICY**

Two complimentary "medical scrub" uniforms and one stethoscope are provided to all students enrolled in the medical assistant program by the end of the first cohort of training. Medical Assistant students are required to wear closed toe shoes, including tennis shoes or nursing shoes, and will not be provided by the institution.



Curriculum Includes Job-readiness/Soft Skills/Health & Safety All lesson plans and syllabi are subject to change based upon Diploma and Certificate of Completion choices

### SUMMARY

This program has 7.5 courses and a fully stacked curriculum with the focus being Digital Marketing and a combination of courses that make up the full program and teach you the necessary skills in Copywriting, Graphic Design, Content Creation, Web Design, Social Media Advertising, and Health and Safety and Job Readiness.

## **OBJECTIVES**

To prepare students for post-program success by providing a rich learning environment utilizing research-based methods of instruction and providing access to relevant and current resources and materials. Students will participate in a challenging and worthwhile diploma program based on current industry/academic expectations. The Digital Marketing Professional Program will provide students with a roadmap to gainful employment by instruction in 7.5 courses.

## COURSES

Copywriting, Graphic Design, Content Creation I, Content Creation II, Web Design, Social Media Advertising I, Social Media Advertising II, and Health and Safety and Job Readiness

## **REQUIRED MATERIAL**

- Personal Computer with stable access to internet (highly recommended)
- 8-16GB USB Flash Drive or Portable USB or FireWire Hard Drive Dropbox account (Highly recommended)
- Notebook and/or sketch book

## **COURSE FORMAT**

- Instructor Led Lecture
- Discussion/critique
- Interactive applications
- Virtual Lab time sessions

## ASSIGNMENTS

Many of the course research requirements and assignments will be fulfilled during lab time, a one-hour session during in class meetings will be dedicated to projects and task assessments.

#### STUDENT ASSESMENT AND GRADING- \*Please reference Academic Policies and Procedures full Policy\*

#### **AESTHETIC EVALUATION**

Aesthetic Evaluation Relates to your composition, design, and aesthetic approach as well as the originality and degree of creativity demonstrated in the execution of your project.

## **CONCEPTUAL EVALUATION**

Encompasses how well you understood the technical issue followed the parameters given and attention to the details necessary for achieving the best solution. Evaluation on troubleshooting skills for hardware and software.

## **TECHNICAL/ CRAFTMANSHIP**

You will be evaluated on how well you apply your technical skills, follow through, your attention to finer details of your execution including how well the project is technically put together and the appropriateness of those choices.

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# **LEARNING STRUCTURE**

- 560 Clock Hours- Core Curriculum
- 40 Clock Hours- Health & Safety and Job Readiness

# **LEARNING OUTCOME**

Each week will feature an interactive assignment and/or project that illustrates the section they have learned.

# SOFTWARE

Facebook, Linkedin, Google, Wordpress, Instapage, Wix, Streamyard, Reason+, Photoshop, Microsoft, AWeber, Mailchimp, Buffer, Adobe, Canvas LMS and Campus Café

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance on a daily basis is a mandatory requirement for all students. Any class session or activity missed, regardless of cause, reduces the opportunity for learning and may adversely affect a student's achievement. Students are responsible to instructors for class attendance and for any class work missed during an absence. Student is responsible to catch up on the missing material on his/her own by contacting fellow classmates or instructor.



All lesson plans and syllabi are subject to change based upon Diploma and Certificate of Completion choices

## SUMMARY

The Prompt Engineer Professional program offers an extensive and immersive learning experience tailored to prepare students for a successful career in the dynamic field of AI language model engineering. This curriculum encompasses a broad range of critical topics, ensuring a solid foundation in Programming, Natural Language Processing (NLP), Machine Learning, Data Analysis, Data Visualization, API Integration, Version Control, Experimentation and Evaluation, Optimization Techniques, and Software Development Best Practices. Through a combination of theoretical instruction and practical, hands-on exercises, students will develop a comprehensive understanding and skill set in prompt engineering, empowering them to address real-world challenges and excel in their professional endeavors.

## **OBJECTIVES**

To prepare students for post-program success by providing a rich learning environment utilizing research-based methods of instruction and providing access to relevant and current resources and materials. Students will participate in a challenging and worthwhile diploma program based on current industry/academic expectations. The Prompt Engineer Professional Program will provide students with a roadmap to gainful employment by instruction in 4.5 courses and real-world industry experience in a 240-clock hour externship.

#### COURSES

Foundations of Computer Science and Programming with Python and Scala, Advanced Programming, Machine Learning, and Artificial Intelligence with Scala and Py, Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing, and Conversational AI with TensorFlow, PyTorch, and spaCy, Applied Data Engineering, Cloud Services, and Visualization with Advanced Analytics and Debugging Techniques, Health and Safety and Job Readiness, and Externship.

## **REQUIRED MATERIAL**

- Personal Computer with stable access to internet (highly recommended)
- 8-16GB USB Flash Drive or Portable USB or FireWire Hard Drive Dropbox account (Highly recommended)
- Notebook and/or sketch book

### **COURSE FORMAT**

- Instructor Led Lecture
- Discussion/critique
- Interactive applications
- Virtual Lab time sessions

### ASSIGNMENTS

Many of the course research requirements and assignments will be fulfilled during lab time, a one-hour session during in class meetings will be dedicated to projects and task assessments.

## STUDENT ASSESMENT AND GRADING- \*Please reference Academic Policies and Procedures full Policy\*

#### **AESTHETIC EVALUATION**

Aesthetic Evaluation Relates to your composition, design, and aesthetic approach as well as the originality and degree of creativity demonstrated in the execution of your project.

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## CONCEPTUAL EVALUATION

Encompasses how well you understood the technical issue followed the parameters given and attention to the details necessary for achieving the best solution. Evaluation on troubleshooting skills for hardware and software.

## **TECHNICAL/ CRAFTMANSHIP**

You will be evaluated on how well you apply your technical skills, follow through, your attention to finer details of your execution including how well the project is technically put together and the appropriateness of those choices.

# LEARNING STRUCTURE

- 320 Clock Hours- Core Curriculum
- 40 Clock Hours- Health & Safety and Job Readiness
- 240 Clock Hours- Externship

# **LEARNING OUTCOME**

Each week will feature an interactive assignment and/or project that illustrates the section they have learned.

# SOFTWARE

Python, Scala, TensorFlow, PyTorch, spaCy, Django, Streamlit, Flask, Apache NiFi, Microsoft, Cengage, Canvas LMS and Campus Café

# ATTENDANCE

Attendance on a daily basis is a mandatory requirement for all students. Any class session or activity missed, regardless of cause, reduces the opportunity for learning and may adversely affect a student's achievement. Students are responsible to instructors for class attendance and for any class work missed during an absence. Student is responsible to catch up on the missing material on his/her own by contacting fellow classmates or instructor.



# **Business Information Technology Specialist Diploma Program** Comprehensive Curriculum

Curriculum Includes Job-readiness/Soft Skills/Health & Safety

All lesson plans and syllabi are subject to change based Certificate of Completion choices

## SUMMARY

This program has 7.5 courses and is an exploration of the technical skills essential to the modern workplace environment. Graduates of the Business Information Technology Specialist Diploma Program will enter the workforce with a broad scope of certifications to enrich graduate employability and income potential. Students begin the program by gaining a robust comprehension of entry level or Core IT skills. Learning will then progress into focused courses. The Business Information Technology Specialist Program will provide students with a roadmap to gainful employment by instruction in the following courses: CompTIA A+, CompTIA Network+, CompTIA Security+, CompTIA CySA+, CompTIA Linux+, CompTIA Cloud+, CompTIA Pentest+ and Health & Safety and Job Readiness/ IT Fundamentals.

## **OBJECTIVE**

To prepare students for post-program success by providing a rich learning environment utilizing research-based methods of instruction and providing access to relevant and current resources and materials. Students will participate in a challenging and worthwhile program based on current industry/academic expectations. The Business Information Technology Specialist Program will provide students with a roadmap to gainful employment by instruction in 7.5 courses.

#### **COURSES**

- CompTIA A+
- CompTIA Network+
- CompTIA Security+
- CompTIA CySA+

## **REQUIRED MATERIAL**

- Personal Computer with stable access to internet (highly recommended)
- Notebook and/or sketch book

## **COURSE FORMAT**

- Instructor-Led Lecture
- Discussion/critique
- Interactive applications
- Virtual Lab time sessions

#### ASSIGNMENTS

Many of the course research requirements and assignments will be fulfilled during lab time, a one-hour session during in-class meetings will be dedicated to projects and task assessments.

#### STUDENT ASSESMENT AND GRADING- \*Please reference Academic Policies and Procedures full Policy\*

## **DAILY EVALUATIONS**

Students will receive a daily assignment or quiz through the Canvas LMS or external resource to verify comprehension of daily lessons

- CompTIA Linux+
- CompTIA Cloud+
- CompTIA Pentest+
- IT Fundamentals/ Health and Safety with Job Skill Readiness



## WEEKLY CHECK ON LEARNING

A weekly test designed to verify learning and assist students in gaining confidence in knowledge.

## LABs

Students will participate in various lab activities to help develop hands on understanding of curriculum. These will include resources or server based virtual machine components.

## LEARNING STRUCTURE

- 560 Clock Hours- Core Curriculum
- 40 Clock Hours- Health & Safety and Job Readiness/ IT Fundamentals

#### LEARNING OUTCOME

• Each week will feature an interactive check on learning with a level specific handout.

• Upon completion of each course students are expected to complete the associated certification exam. Those who require additional training, do not earn a passing score on the certification examination during the core program courses will be provided with additional training during the Core and Infrastructure course. Students will then be given additional opportunities to complete their certification examinations.

## SOFTWARE

CompTIA, Practice-Labs, Canvas LMS, Microsoft Azure, Campus Cafe

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance daily is a mandatory requirement for all students. Any class session or activity missed, regardless of cause, reduces the opportunity for learning and may adversely affect a student's achievement. Students are responsible for class attendance and for any class work missed during an absence. Student is responsible to catch up on the missing material on his own by contacting fellow classmates or instructor.



# FULL STACK DEVELOPER CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION Comprehensive Curriculum Curriculum Includes Job-readiness/Soft Skills/Health & Safety

All lesson plans and syllabi are subject to change based upon Diploma and Certificate of Completion choices

## SUMMARY

This is a certificate of completion program which includes instruction in Four (4) Information Technology Courses: Python I, Python II, JavaScript I, and JavaScript II.

The Python I and II courses starts with an introduction to Python scripting language. The purpose of these courses is to prepare students for building scripts that control a sequence of program steps such as those used in developing testing and deploying software. Python I begins with an introduction to basic techniques in scripting using Python and then builds upon those techniques in Python II. Python II builds upon the fundamentals by adding curriculum designed to test applications, constructing web scraping scripts, networking to manage applications and automation.

The JavaScript gets you started with an introduction to JavaScript. We assume that you're new to the language, so it gets you started with basic functionality such as creating functions, creating variables, and calling these lines of code from your standard HTML pages. We talk about events and triggers for custom event handling. We also discuss pattern matching, searching for text within a page, flow control and the document object model (DOM).

We start off with the basics and move on to more complex functionality such as arrays and objects. We then discuss how to script common elements with JavaScript such as forms and tables. At the very end, we discuss major libraries such as Ajax, which allows you to make asynchronous calls to server-side scripts without reloading the web page on the server. Whether you're just getting started in web design or want to learn how to code JavaScript, this course is for you.

#### **OBJECTIVE**

To prepare students for post-program success by providing a rich learning environment utilizing research-based methods of instruction and providing access to relevant and current resources and materials. Students will participate in a challenging and worthwhile certificate program based on current industry/academic expectations. The Full Stack Developer Program will provide students with a roadmap to gainful employment by instruction in 4 courses.

#### COURSES

Python I, Python II, JavaScript I, and JavaScript II.

#### **REQUIRED MATERIAL**

- Personal Computer with stable access to internet (highly recommended)
- Notebook and/or sketch book

## **COURSE FORMAT**

- Instructor-Led Lecture
- Discussion/critique
- Interactive applications
- Virtual Lab time sessions

## ASSIGNMENTS

Many of the course research requirements and assignments will be fulfilled during lab time, a one-hour session during inclass meetings will be dedicated to projects and task assessments.

#### STUDENT ASSESMENT AND GRADING- \*Please reference Academic Policies and Procedures full Policy\*

#### **DAILY EVALUATIONS**

Students will receive a daily assignment or quiz through the Canvas LMS or external resource to verify comprehension of daily lessons



# WEEKLY CHECK ON LEARNING

A weekly test designed to verify learning and assist students in gaining confidence in knowledge.

## LABs

Students will participate in various lab activities to help develop hands on understanding of curriculum. These will include resources or server based virtual machine components.

# **LEARNING STRUCTURE**

320 Clock Hours- Core Curriculum

# **LEARNING OUTCOME**

Each week will feature an interactive assignment and/or project that illustrates the section they have learned.

## SOFTWARE

Practice-Labs, Canvas LMS, Microsoft Azure, Campus Café, JavaScript, Python, QuestionBot, Xcode

## ATTENDANCE

Attendance daily is a mandatory requirement for all students. Any class session or activity missed, regardless of cause, reduces the opportunity for learning and may adversely affect a student's achievement. Students are responsible for class attendance and for any class work missed during an absence. Student is responsible to catch up on the missing material on his own by contacting fellow classmates or instructor.



# TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONAL 2 CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION Comprehensive Curriculum Curriculum Includes Job-readiness/Soft Skills/Health & Safety

All lesson plans and syllabi are subject to change based upon Diploma and Certificate of Completion choices

## SUMMARY

This is a certificate of completion program which includes instruction in One (1) Information Technology Course: CompTIA A+.

CompTIA A+ 220-1101 covers PC hardware and peripherals, mobile device hardware, networking and troubleshooting hardware and network connectivity issues.

CompTIA A+ 220-1102 covers installing and configuring operating systems including Windows, iOS, Android, Apple OS X and Linux. It also addresses security, the fundamentals of cloud computing and operational procedures.

## **OBJECTIVE**

To prepare students for post-program success by providing a rich learning environment utilizing research-based methods of instruction and providing access to relevant and current resources and materials. Students will participate in a challenging and worthwhile certificate program based on current industry/academic expectations. The Technology Professional 2 Program will provide students with a roadmap to gainful employment by instruction in 1 course.

## COURSES

CompTIA A+

## **REQUIRED MATERIAL**

- Personal Computer with stable access to internet (highly recommended)
- Notebook and/or sketch book

## **COURSE FORMAT**

- Instructor-Led Lecture
- Discussion/critique
- Interactive applications
- Virtual Lab time sessions

## ASSIGNMENTS

Many of the course research requirements and assignments will be fulfilled during lab time, a one-hour session during inclass meetings will be dedicated to projects and task assessments.

#### STUDENT ASSESMENT AND GRADING- \*Please reference Academic Policies and Procedures full Policy\*

## **DAILY EVALUATIONS**

Students will receive a daily assignment or quiz through the Canvas LMS or external resource to verify comprehension of daily lessons

#### WEEKLY CHECK ON LEARNING

A weekly test designed to verify learning and assist students in gaining confidence in knowledge.

### LABs

Students will participate in various lab activities to help develop hands on understanding of curriculum. These will include resources or server based virtual machine components.



## LEARNING STRUCTURE

• 80 Clock Hours- Core Curriculum

### **LEARNING OUTCOME**

• Each week will feature an interactive check on learning with a level specific handout.

• Upon completion of each course students are expected to complete the associated certification exam. Those who require additional training, do not earn a passing score on the certification examination during the core program courses will be provided with additional training during the Core and Infrastructure course. Students will then be given additional opportunities to complete their certification examinations.

### SOFTWARE

CompTIA, Practice-Labs, Canvas LMS, Microsoft Azure, Campus Cafe

#### ATTENDANCE

Attendance daily is a mandatory requirement for all students. Any class session or activity missed, regardless of cause, reduces the opportunity for learning and may adversely affect a student's achievement. Students are responsible for class attendance and for any class work missed during an absence. Student is responsible to catch up on the missing material on his own by contacting fellow classmates or instructor.



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# AI PROMPT SPECIALIST CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION Comprehensive Curriculum

All lesson plans and syllabi are subject to change based upon Diploma and Certificate of Completion choices

## SUMMARY

The AI Prompt Specialist course is designed to equip students with the skills and knowledge required to become proficient in designing and optimizing AI prompts for various applications. Over the course of four weeks, students will delve into advanced language models and AI technologies, including ChaptGPT 4, Bard, BingAI, OpenAI Playground, Stable Defusion, and Midjourney.

## **OBJECTIVES**

To prepare students for post-program success by providing a rich learning environment utilizing research-based methods of instruction and providing access to relevant and current resources and materials. Students will participate in a challenging and worthwhile certificate program based on current industry/academic expectations. The AI Prompt Specialist Program will provide students with a roadmap to gainful employment by instruction in 1 course.

## COURSES

Advanced Techniques in AI Prompt Design

## **REQUIRED MATERIAL**

- Personal Computer with stable access to internet (highly recommended)
- 8-16GB USB Flash Drive or Portable USB or FireWire Hard Drive Dropbox account (Highly recommended)
- Notebook and/or sketch book

### **COURSE FORMAT**

- Instructor Led Lecture
- Discussion/critique
- Interactive applications
- Virtual Lab time sessions

#### ASSIGNMENTS

Many of the course research requirements and assignments will be fulfilled during lab time, a one-hour session during in class meetings will be dedicated to projects and task assessments.

#### STUDENT ASSESMENT AND GRADING- \*Please reference Academic Policies and Procedures full Policy\*

## **AESTHETIC EVALUATION**

Aesthetic Evaluation Relates to your composition, design, and aesthetic approach as well as the originality and degree of creativity demonstrated in the execution of your project.

#### **CONCEPTUAL EVALUATION**

Encompasses how well you understood the technical issue followed the parameters given and attention to the details necessary for achieving the best solution. Evaluation on troubleshooting skills for hardware and software.

#### **TECHNICAL/ CRAFTMANSHIP**

You will be evaluated on how well you apply your technical skills, follow through, your attention to finer details of your execution including how well the project is technically put together and the appropriateness of those choices.



# LEARNING STRUCTURE

• 80 Clock Hours- Core Curriculum

# LEARNING OUTCOME

Each week will feature an interactive assignment and/or project that illustrates the section they have learned.

# SOFTWARE

ChaptGPT 4, Bard, BingAI, OpenAI Playground, Stable Defusion, Midjourney, Microsoft, Cengage, Canvas LMS and Campus Café

# ATTENDANCE

Attendance on a daily basis is a mandatory requirement for all students. Any class session or activity missed, regardless of cause, reduces the opportunity for learning and may adversely affect a student's achievement. Students are responsible to instructors for class attendance and for any class work missed during an absence. Student is responsible to catch up on the missing material on his/her own by contacting fellow classmates or instructor.



# TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONAL 6 CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

Comprehensive Curriculum Curriculum Includes Job-readiness/Soft Skills/Health & Safety All lesson plans and syllabi are subject to change based upon Diploma and Certificate of Completion choices

## SUMMARY

This is a certificate of completion program which includes instruction in Three (3) Information Technology Courses: CompTIA Net+, CompTIA Sec+, and CompTIA CYSA+.

The CompTIA Network+ N10-008 Course is designed to teach you the fundamental principles of installing, configuring, and troubleshooting network technologies and help you to progress a career in network administration.

The CompTIA Security+ SY0-601 Course is designed to teach you the fundamental principles to install and configure systems to secure applications, networks, and devices; perform threat analysis and respond with appropriate mitigation techniques; participate in risk mitigation activities; and operate with an awareness of applicable policies, laws, and regulations. The successful candidate will perform these tasks to support the principles of confidentiality, integrity, and availability.

The CompTIA Cybersecurity Analyst+ (CySA+) CS0-002 course is designed to teach you the basic knowledge needed to analyze, monitor and protect cybersecurity resources in a vendor-neutral format. This includes vulnerability management, network reconnaissance and monitoring, secure policies and procedures, host & network security, identity management systems, and incident response.

## **OBJECTIVE**

To prepare students for post-program success by providing a rich learning environment utilizing research-based methods of instruction and providing access to relevant and current resources and materials. Students will participate in a challenging and worthwhile certificate program based on current industry/academic expectations. The Technology Professional 6 Program will provide students with a roadmap to gainful employment by instruction in 3 courses.

# COURSES

CompTIA Net+, CompTIA Sec+, and CompTIA CYSA+

## **REQUIRED MATERIAL**

- Personal Computer with stable access to internet (highly recommended)
- Notebook and/or sketch book

## **COURSE FORMAT**

- Instructor-Led Lecture
- Discussion/critique
- Interactive applications
- Virtual Lab time sessions

## ASSIGNMENTS

Many of the course research requirements and assignments will be fulfilled during lab time, a one-hour session during inclass meetings will be dedicated to projects and task assessments.



## STUDENT ASSESMENT AND GRADING- \*Please reference Academic Policies and Procedures full Policy\*

## **DAILY EVALUATIONS**

Students will receive a daily assignment or quiz through the Canvas LMS or external resource to verify comprehension of daily lessons

# WEEKLY CHECK ON LEARNING

A weekly test designed to verify learning and assist students in gaining confidence in knowledge.

#### LABs

Students will participate in various lab activities to help develop hands on understanding of curriculum. These will include resources or server based virtual machine components.

#### LEARNING STRUCTURE

• 240 Clock Hours- Core Curriculum

#### LEARNING OUTCOME

• Each week will feature an interactive check on learning with a level specific handout.

• Upon completion of each course students are expected to complete the associated certification exam. Those who require additional training, do not earn a passing score on the certification examination during the core program courses will be provided with additional training during the Core and Infrastructure course. Students will then be given additional opportunities to complete their certification examinations.

### SOFTWARE

CompTIA, Practice-Labs, Canvas LMS, Microsoft Azure, Campus Cafe

#### ATTENDANCE

Attendance daily is a mandatory requirement for all students. Any class session or activity missed, regardless of cause, reduces the opportunity for learning and may adversely affect a student's achievement. Students are responsible for class attendance and for any class work missed during an absence. Student is responsible to catch up on the missing material on his own by contacting fellow classmates or instructor.



# **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION**

Ambitious capable women and men, after comparative short experience, will find the door open for many interesting, well-paid positions. Monetary compensation in the Digital Marketing and Information Technology industries, may start at entry-level positions. On average, newly graduated individuals may start out making \$17.00 to \$200.00 per hour. Many factors will impact or play a part in your income and pay scale. Location of employment, hourly pay vs. commission pays, etc. all varies per employer. Each employer will be different. Remember Technology Fields are ever evolving, so it's up to your how much effort you want to put into your career path and growth within your field of study. Before entering any new career, you must prepare yourself for the possible physical and mental demands it may require. Some of these courses may require one to stand or to sit for long periods at a time. Sturdy shoes and good back posture are important in keeping your healthy over the long run. If you have been diagnosed with back troubles or carpal tunnel syndrome, you need to consider the fact that these courses may require to do a lot of work which can affect these disabilities. If you have certain learning disabilities, you may find the studies more challenging. Persons with learning or physical limitations are encouraged to visit DSDT or one of our potential employers to observe the demands that will be placed on you. During your time as the student, you will come into contact with all different kinds of people from all walks of life. Everyone is treated equally and fairly. Your job will ultimately be "to serve the public"; therefore, keep in mind you may or may not come into contact with people with different lifestyles than your own and possible ones with illnesses or disease. You will be taught during theory classes how to recognize some types of illnesses and disease and how to address the situations in the event they arise while on campus or during working hours. It is to your benefit; as well as others to become as knowledgeable as possible with potential health and safety policies and procedures.

#### Various career opportunities are available and are posted on our job board with frequent updates.

Any questions a student may have regarding this catalog that haven't been satisfactorily answered by the institution may be directed to the School Director @ 313-263-4200 or on campus. A student or any member of the public may file a complaint about this institution with the Michigan Department of Education (LARA) Division. DSDT does not have a pending petition in bankruptcy, is not operating as a debtor in possession, has not filed a petition for bankruptcy within the preceding five years, and has not had a petition in bankruptcy filed against DSDT, within the preceding five years that resulted in reorganization under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code.

# **RECRUITING ACTIVITIES**

All employees of DSDT have a firm commitment and have been trained by the lead Admissions Representative for recruiting activities at the campus ensuring all are of ethical conduct. In doing this, DSDT makes it clear to all Admissions Representatives what academic programs and support services must be in place to fully serve students and meet their needs. Students are provided with advisement material and have the opportunity to meet with advisors to ensure their success in the Clock hour programs. DSDT is prepared to serve, including the level of English language proficiency required by students. Students are encouraged to complete the full Clock hour programs and can expect a Diploma or Certificate of Completion, depending on several clock hours completed. Transfer students and or credits are not allowed at DSDT. Students receive a certificate of completion or a Diploma from DSDT are given job placement outcomes, and so these statistics can be accurately presented to prospective students and parents. All recruiting activities and materials used describe our mission with our occupational outcomes thoroughly detailed. All recruiting activities and materials used describe our mission with our occupational programs, student performance reports and completion requirements with clock hours' tuition and instructional outcomes thoroughly detailed.





# STUDENT GRIEVANCE POLICY AND PROCEDURES

# PURPOSE OF THE PROCEDURE/INTRODUCTION

DSDT's aim is to ensure that students with a grievance relating to their education or attendance can use a procedure, which can help to resolve grievances as quickly and as fairly as possible.

# POLICY

Any Student who feels they have not received adequate, fair treatment in all matters related to; school policies, regulations, and procedures in accordance with the current student handbook and student bill of rights may seek consideration through a formal grievance policy.

# PURPOSE

To Provide all students with a means for impartial consideration in grievance procedures.

# SCOPE

This policy applies to all students enrolled in the DSDT school no matter the program of study.

# **GUIDELINES AND CHAIN OF COMMAND**

Stage 1: Statement of Grievance- If the student feels that the matter has not been resolved through informal discussions with scheduled instructor/ student meetings, the student should put their grievance in writing to the Director of Administration to further resolve the said issue.

Stage 2: The Grievance Meeting whenever unresolved, the student may request an official grievance be heard by DSDT's Chief Operations Officer. The student must make a request within 3 working days of the incident. Stage 3: The Grievance Meeting- the Director of Administration will respond, in writing, to the statement, inviting the student to attend a meeting where the alleged grievance can be discussed. This meeting should be scheduled to take place as soon as possible and normally 5 working days-notice of this meeting will be provided to the student, and they will be informed of their right to be accompanied. Students submitting the appeal electronically will own the responsibility of following up to make sure the grievance was received.

# PROCEDURE

Students must take all reasonable steps to attend the meeting, but if for any unforeseen reason the student or the Chief Operations Officer can't attend, the meeting must be rearranged. Should a student companion and or parent/ custodial guardian be unable to attend, then the student must make contact within 10 days of the date of the letter to arrange an alternative date that falls within 15 days of the original date provided. These time limits may be extended by mutual agreement. After the meeting, the Chief Operations Officer hearing the grievance must write to the student informing them of any decision or action and offering them the right of appeal. This letter should be sent within 10 working days of the grievance meeting and should include the details on how to appeal. Upon receipt of the request, the grievance is taken to the DSDT School Director. The School Director will convene and review the grievance and make a decision within 5 working days.

# APPEAL

If the matter is not resolved to the students' satisfaction, they must set out their grounds of appeal in writing within 5 working days of receipt of the decision letter. Within 10 working days of receiving an appeal letter, the student should receive a written invitation to attend an appeal meeting. The School Director should take the appeal meeting not involved in the original meeting. After the appeal meeting with the School Director, the School Director must inform the student in writing of their decision within 10 working days of the meeting. Their decision is final.



## If conflict is still without resolve, please contact:

Council on Occupational Education 7840 Roswell Road, Building 300, Suite 325 Atlanta, GA 30350 Telephone: 770-396-3898 / FAX: 770-396-3790 www.council.org.

## Or

## State of Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA)

P.O. Box 30018 Lansing, MI 48909 Phone Main Line: 517-241-7000 Fax: 517-373-2162 Email: <u>CSCL-Complaints@michigan.gov</u> Website: http://www.michigan.gov/documents/lara/Post-Secondary\_Student\_Complaints\_498839\_7.pdf





# STUDENT GRIEVANCE FORM

Name of Complainant:	
Address:	
Student Name:	
Phone Number:	
1. Please provide a one or two sentence description of your complaint.	
2. Please describe the nature of your complaint in full detail indicating what happened, when the was involved. If additional space is needed, use the reverse side.	event occurred and who
<b>3.</b> Indicate when and with whom you have already spoken regarding this grievance and what atte toward resolution.	mpts have been made
<b>4.</b> Indicate what specific resolution you are seeking or recommending.	
*I hereby certify that the statements made pertaining to my complaint are truthful and accurate.	

Student Signature of Complainant

Date





# **APPEAL FORM**

Rules cannot be written that will apply to every situation in every business. Therefore, any policy established by DSDT may be appealed due to mitigating circumstances. Anyone wishing to appeal a policy must do so using this form and attach any applicable documentation. Appropriate personnel will review the appeal and a determination will be made. All decisions on appeal are final. Indicate which policy is being appealed below. Appeals regarding an SAP must be made within 15 days of the negative determination.

\_\_\_\_SAP Determination\_\_\_\_Other:

Attention School Director:

I wish to appeal the decision and/or policy of the school regarding the above-indicated manner. The mitigating circumstances and pertinent information relating to the decision or policy are stated below.

Supporting Documentation Attached: \_\_\_\_YES\_\_\_NO

Student Signature Parent or Guardian(If applicable)

Date

OFFICE USE ONLY \_\_\_\_APPEAL \_\_\_APPEAL DENIED EXPLANATION OF DECISION: REQUIREMENTS OF STUDENT TO ACHIEVE SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS AT THE END OF THE PROBATIONARY PERIOD:





# ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT ADDENDUM

Student Name:		
Address:		
Phone Number:		
Original Start Date:		
Original End Date:		
Revised End Date Reason for Change:		
SCHEDULE CHANGE		
From:		
To: Revised Contract EndDate:		
LEAVE OF ABSENCE		
LOA Begins:		
LOA Ends: Revised Contract EndDate:		
Student Signature	Date	
Student Signature Parent or Guardian (If Applicable)	Date	
Student Signature Parent or Guardian (If Applicable)	Date	



# INSTITUTIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN

# Scope

This plan provides a comprehensive overview of the management and improvement strategies related to DSDT's physical resources and technical infrastructure at both the main and branch campus locations. This includes facilities, equipment, technical support, data security, and infrastructure for distance education.

# **General Responsibilities**

DSDT's respective School Director is responsible for directing the overall planning and management of DSDT's physical resources and technical infrastructure. This includes budget allocation, policy enforcement, equipment procurement, maintenance scheduling, technical support provision, data security assurance, and the maintenance of a robust distance education infrastructure. This responsibility entails preserving and enhancing a quality physical environment which provides efficient, functional, safe and pleasant surroundings.

DSDT follows fire, electrical, and sanitary codes as found in annual inspections.

# Day to Day Management

DSDT's respective School Director is responsible for day-to-day management, including, overseeing an inventory of physical resources and technical equipment, ensuring regular maintenance of facilities, supervising IT infrastructure, and monitoring the functionality and safety of all equipment. Routine checks for data safety and security are conducted to ensure any technological issues are promptly addressed.

# Adequacy, Improvement and Protection of Physical Resources and Technical Infrastructure

DSDT 's physical facilities are managed by the directors and staff, as well as Hardy Janitorial and OJT Developments LLC at the main location and JanPro maintains the branch location. Physical resources are inventoried and maintained by the Director of Inventory Supply and Management with assistance from the respective School Director. As it is deemed necessary to add additional space for student classroom(s), lab(s), and or common space, the respective School Director is responsible for the process of developing additional space within the current building DSDT occupies. Routine checks are done to ensure that physical resources meet the school's requirements. Based on the routine checks, plans will be drawn up for replacements, repairs, and new procurements as necessary. Technical infrastructure is added as the student population and staff need change. Also, technical infrastructure is added as budgetary constraints allow.

# Maintenance/Physical Facility

An annual maintenance schedule has been implemented to ensure that all facilities are kept in good working condition. Any emergent issues will be addressed immediately to prevent disruption to learning. Major repairs and maintenance to the physical facility such as building repairs, and heating and cooling breakdowns, are managed by the respective school director. If the respective School Director is off campus, his/her designee has the authority to hire the required outside contractor. Please contact the respective School Director for further clarification. DSDT owns the campus grounds at the main location and leases the branch campus building. If there is as problem with the physical facility, immediate notification must be made immediately to the respective School Director.

Lawn services, snow removal, and parking lots are maintained by the respective School Director on a regular basis at the main location. In the event the grounds cannot be tended to, outside companies will be hired on an as-needed basis. The general maintenance and janitorial company Hardy Janitorial (Main Campus) and JanPro (Branch Campus) are contracted to be on campus no fewer than 5 days per week. The required duties include the bathrooms, common areas, media center, classrooms, windows, floors and general grounds clean up.





# **Technical Infrastructure**

A robust and scalable network infrastructure will be maintained to support teaching and administrative tasks. Regular upgrades will be planned to keep pace with the latest technological advancements. DSDT's respective School Director is responsible for all technical infrastructure maintenance. The respective School Director performs weekly assessments to determine effectiveness of the DSDT Technical Infrastructure. If there is a need to create additional classrooms, or infrastructure improvements, the respective School Director will work with the staff to develop a plan to meet DSDT's current, future and daily needs. If infrastructure changes at DSDT are not able to be completed by DSDT staff, the project will be assessed, and additional resources will be acquired depending upon financial resources and level of need. DSDT Technical Infrastructure includes all the servers, internet drops, back up data servers, printers, network connectivity, software, and support infrastructure. The respective School Director assesses survey feedback forms to develop the upcoming yearly budget. This budget allows budgeting for appropriate emergency situations: all other infrastructure changes are planned for in the budget. If the respective School Director is not available, his/her designee may submit a request in the event of an emergent situation and on an "as needed basis", 24x7.

## **Technical Support and Student Orientation to Technology**

Student orientation to technology is provided and technical support is readily available to all students through all modes of delivery (i.e., Distance Education and Traditional). DSDT aims to provide the support necessary for students to be successful when using technical resources. To mitigate potential issues and provide technical support, DSDT provides a Helpdesk email for all students upon enrollment. Support can be reached by the following email address: <u>helpdesk@dsdt.edu</u>. Students and staff are given instruction on the use of DSDT provided technology during orientation prior to beginning at DSDT. DSDT technology platforms include Canvas LMS, Campus Café, Cengage Unlimited, and Office 365. Additional instructions to DSDT students are given by instructors prior to accessing their courses. Faculty and staff are provided with additional training videos and manuals on DSDT technology platforms once employed. Training materials are provided by the Faculty Director.

# **Instructional and Media Supplies**

Supplies are maintained by the Director of Inventory and Supply Management. Instructional and media supply levels are checked periodically and are purchased accordingly on an "as needed" basis. The Director of Inventory and Supply Management works with program directors to ensure all supplies are adequate for proper program instruction. The Director of Inventory and Supply Management will notify the respective School Director, and complete a supply request form for purchase. The respective School Director is responsible for reviewing basic school/administration supplies and ordering them on an as needed basis. If the respective School Director is not available, his/her designee is permitted to complete the purchase within a reasonable timeframe. No other staff member has the authority to purchase supplies unless one of the above-mentioned individuals approves the request. Suggestions may be made at employee meetings based upon feedback from students, employees, committee members, and employers. All other basic supplies are ordered on a quarterly basis. DSDT's forecasted annual budget is handed out at our mandatory bi-annual employee meetings and employees are encouraged to forecast items they may need during the current or upcoming year.

# Equipment

All equipment needing repairs are reported to the respective School Director and the respective School Director deems if the equipment needs repair or to be replaced. The respective School Director will meet with the Director of Inventory Supply and Management to see if a repair is needed or if the actual purchase of new replacement equipment is best. DSDT always ensures network functionality for both distance education and traditional means of instructional delivery.





# Disposal of Obsolete Equipment

Ensuring the upkeep, replacement, or removal of outdated equipment is crucial for maintaining high standards of instruction and training at DSDT. The Director of Inventory and Supply Management uses an online inventory management system called Asset Tiger, to confirm that DSDT equipment remains current, relevant, and accurately accounted for. Should there be a need to dispose of obsolete equipment, this decision is made collaboratively, incorporating the perspectives of our instructional staff and students. DSDT adheres to relevant business and industry safety standards for equipment disposal. Furthermore, DSDT is committed to meeting the equipment regulations set forth by the State of Michigan and Texas.

# All Instructional Equipment meets appropriate and required safety standards

All acquisition, repair, maintenance, and operational activity related to equipment adheres to the pertinent industry safety standards. Both staff and students are instructed to abide by manufacturers' safety guidelines and procedural manuals provided by the distributor, under the guidance of their respective instructors. These procedural manuals serve as a guide for safe equipment setup and daily utilization. Instructors are responsible for ensuring students adhere to appropriate safety procedures within the learning environment. Each of the DSDT programs incorporates equipment safety training that aligns with the best practices outlined by the State of Michigan and Texas.

# Safety, Privacy, and Security of Data

Student records at DSDT are securely preserved on a server and storage system, managed by trusted third-party service providers including Campus Cafe, Canvas LMS, and Boston Educational Network. Additionally, DSDT maintains an in-house server system, under the vigilant supervision of the Infrastructure Manager and the respective School Director. To ensure the utmost data security, DSDT has a backup server offering role-based access for all computer users to student, employee, and instructional files. DSDT's respective School Director exclusively has access to a secure hub for backup data. DSDT retains all data on Campus Cafe for a minimum of five years. Each staff member and instructor is given a unique username on Campus Cafe, limiting their access to only the student data relevant to their duties or classes. To safeguard personal information, every student is provided with a unique user login and password. Critical data at DSDT is regularly backed up on Microsoft OneDrive and Microsoft SharePoint. A GLBA-compliant firewall is in place to thwart unauthorized access to secure systems. Furthermore, each computer is equipped with a deployable security application to deter unauthorized access from within the internal networks.

## Safety of Staff, Students, and Guests

DSDT strives to maintain safe environments for everyone. The facility includes classrooms, Student Media Resource Center, bathrooms, kitchen, labs, and common areas. DSDT has annual fire inspections and daily walkthroughs and inspections of environment (maintained by staff and the respective School Director); as well as information regarding severe weather precautions, which can be found in DSDT's Consumer Info at a Glance.

Incident reporting for any accident which includes any staff, instructor, student, or guest is reviewed for improvements that can be made to avoid future incidents.

DSDT has:

- A. Fire Extinguishers located in common areas with signage.
- B. First Aid supplies located throughout the institution.
- C. Insurance for accidents and other needs.





- D. Campus Security Authority and/or respective School Director personnel are present from 9am-5pm. From the hours of 5pm-10pm, the front desk receptionist will act as the interim CSA to control daily/nightly traffic and supervise as students leave the building to reduce accidents/emergencies. The interim CSA and/or respective School Director will report any accidents/emergencies to the campus security authority immediately.
- E. Safety, accident, injury and emergency report forms for a systematic controlled process.

## **Distance Education Infrastructure**

The respective School Director of DSDT is in charge of establishing and maintaining the infrastructure for distance learning. In close collaboration with the Infrastructure Manager, staff and/or the Director of Inventory and Supply Management, the School Director plays a key role in planning and integrating all online platforms to smoothly incorporate distance education into DSDT's offerings. Students across all delivery modes have access to the same resources, software, and support infrastructure, including Canvas LMS, Cengage Unlimited, Microsoft Office 365, secure login portals, networks, and servers.

If the student body's requirements cannot be met internally, additional resources will be considered based on financial and fiscal feasibility. Both distance education and traditional modality students at DSDT share the same opportunity to provide feedback on technical infrastructure and contribute to the annual budget planning for improvements or enhancements to online learning.

Feedback from student surveys is evaluated by the respective School Director in order to plan the upcoming annual budget, providing for contingencies as well as scheduled needs. The respective School Director oversees daily and weekly routine checks and delegates the procurement of any necessary equipment or infrastructure to the students and staff.

Given the scale of the school, in the absence of the School Director, his/her designee can submit a request to address immediate needs, ensuring around-the-clock response capability.

Signature

Date





# **HEALTH & SAFETY PLAN SECTIONS**

## Overview

The DSDT administrative, instructional, and support staff is diligent in ensuring a safe, orderly, and positive physical learning environment for the protection of the health and safety of students, staff, and guests. The Michigan (LARA) Post- Secondary School policy and procedures are implemented at the Detroit main campus and the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) policy and procedures are implemented at the Killen branch campus, to fulfill the goal of a safe & healthy environment daily. DSDT's policies, processes, and procedures relating to health & safety issues are in place, implemented, and regularly evaluated & revised with input from employees & students. In addition, all staff follow a system for reporting & investigating accidents. DSDT has developed & promotes a comprehensive program to ensure the safety of its employees, students, and visitors. The safety program includes guidelines and procedures for respondingto emergencies and activities to help reduce the frequency of accidents and injuries. To prevent or minimize injuries to employees, coworkers, and students and to protect and conserve DSDT'S equipment, employees must comply with the following requirements:

- Observe all safety rules located in DSDT's critical plan for fire evacuation, incident plans/procedures, and emergency preparedness protocols.
- Always keep work areas clean & orderly and immediately report all accidents to the Campus Security Authority at the main location.
- Operate instructional material/equipment only after proper training has been administered and under the supervision of an instructor.
- All employees must wear business casual clothing while on campus or must have appropriate DSDT T-shirt (available for purchase), jeans/slacks, and closed-toe shoes.

Employees with questions or concerns relating to the safety programs and issues should contact the Campus Security Authority at the main location or local emergency personnel. Local numbers are posted on the evacuation plan plaque displayed in every room and hallway on campus and in the student handbook and catalog made available to every student prior to enrollment.

#### Visitors in the Workplace

All visitors are required to enter the facility through the main entrance and sign the sign-in sheet, stating their name, phone number, email, and reason for visit. All secondary doors must be closed and secured at all times. School visitors must show proper identification and be screened through the school's visitor management system. This is to ensure the safety of our students, employees, and guests. In an effort to minimize classroom disruptions and mitigate any emergency situations, no student or visitor shall be permitted to wander about the building under any circumstances. Students who are currently enrolled and who may require evening access to the Student Media Resource Center must receive prior authorization from their instructor or the school director prior to access being granted. Employees who observe an unauthorized individual on DSDT premises should immediately direct him/her to the administration office or contact the administrator in charge. All nighttime visitors must follow the same procedures required for entry into the building and these procedures are monitored by appointed security personnel. No employee of the school system shall have a weapon in his or her possession while on school property or at a school activity. Guns, whether operable or inoperable, loaded or unloaded, facsimile weapons, or antique weapons may not be brought on to school property, including the parking lot or to a school activity. Any weapon confiscated shall be immediately turned over to the Campus Security Authority at the main location or the School Director at the branch location who shall turn the weapon over to the proper authorities.

#### **Bullying and Harassment**

DSDT mandates that all students and employees have an educational setting that is safe, secure, and free from harassment and bullying of any kind. DSDT will not tolerate bullying and harassment of any type. Conduct that constitutes bullying and harassment is prohibited. The following are general processes and procedures designed to assure students, staff, and guests that DSDT is a safe & healthy environment in which to teach and learn.

#### Accident Reporting System

DSDT follows the state of Michigan (LARA) and Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) post-secondary policies and procedures regarding the reporting of accidents to employees, students, or the public. If an employee suffers a work-related injury/illness, DSDT is committed to returning them to the same status of function they enjoyed before the injury/illness and bring them back to work as quickly as possible.





As an employee, you have a right to:

- o Receive timely and appropriate medical care for injuries sustained during, or arising out of, your employment.
- Receive timely & understandable information concerning your treatment including available alternatives & their effectiveness.
- Receive your treatment with dignity, courtesy, respect, privacy, and with all the confidentiality specified, as well as request a one-time independent medical examination.

As an employee, you are responsible for:

• Immediately reporting any injury received on the job to your immediate supervisor/Campus Security Authority/respective School Director, prior to seeking medical care for an occupational injury that does not require emergency treatment.

#### **Claim Reporting System**

In the case of injury or illness requiring services that are not an emergency (back pain, sprained ankle, etc.), the employee must notify his/her Campus Security Authority or respective School Director, who, in turn, will receive care/medical/ambulance authorization prior to obtaining care. The injured employee must be available by telephone to discuss his/her injury status with the Campus Security Authority or respective School Director.

#### ALL INJURIES SHOULD BE REPORTED THE SAME DAY THEY OCCUR WITHOUT DELAY.

#### **Emergency Care**

In the event of an emergency, have someone call 911 or go to the nearest emergency room. Please contact your immediate instructor/supervisor or Campus Security Authority/respective School Director to help facilitate. Any additional medical care that is needed will be coordinated through them. After hours medical care is available 24 hours a day, seven (7) days a week (including holidays) in nearby urgent care centers. If for some reason the employee should go to the Emergency Room or Urgent Care facility, the employer, and/or the subcontractor must call the Campus Security Authority/respective School Director immediately, or no later than, the next business day to report such visits.

If a student suffers an on-campus related injury/illness, a Student Accident Report (Addendum

A) should be completed on the same day of the incident and submitted to the Campus Security Authority/ respective School Director on the sameday. The Campus Security Authority/ respective School Director will retain a copy for DSDT's files and add a copy to the student's files. For non- students or subcontractors that suffer work related injury/illness, a Public Incident Report (Addendum B) should be completed on the same day of the incident and submitted to the Campus Security Authority/ respective School Director will then file in a timely manner or within the 24-hr. period.

#### Accident Investigation System

The Campus Security Authority/ respective School Director completes a health and injury report as necessary and submits the report to DSDT's office of secure files, before the end of the working day on which the incident is reported. An Incident Report or Student Accident Injury Report is to be submitted to the Campus Security Authority/ respective School Director and will be investigated through department procedures.

#### **Emergency Response Plan**

Every DSDT classroom has an emergency evacuation plaque equipped with location awareness, emergency personnel contact information, evacuation routes, etc. Throughout the school year, the plan is reviewed with staff. The plan is designed as a quick reference resource for the classrooms and is found in the Consumer Info at a Glance section on our website for reference. It provides essential information to assist staff in responding to a wide range of threats and hazards that may affect the school. DSDT's Emergency Response Plan considers lessons learned from prior school trainings to highlight the importance of preparing for any hazard or emergency. DSDT's Emergency Response Plan is aligned with the emergency planning practices at national, state, & local levels and includes the five phases of emergency preparedness: Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response, and Recovery. Part of DSDT's Emergency Response Plan requires both the main and branch locations to conduct annual trainings for various scenarios (fire, bomb threat, severe weather, public lockdowns, limited lockdowns, directional evacuations, etc.) for staff, students, and visitors to be prepared during critical incidents. Each classroom has an emergency evacuation map posted that the instructor discusses with their class. Both the main and branch locations have an annual emergency evacuation training, in which a fire drill simulation is conducted. Drills are conducted



so that students and personnel can react quickly & appropriately to an actual incident on campus. This plan is revised annually or more frequently if needed.

#### **Crisis Response Plan**

The DSDT Crisis Response Plan is part of the DSDT's Emergency Response Plan, which provides both the main and branch locations with a guide for effective response to a critical incident. Our campus site will be adequately prepared to deal with an emergency. Roles and responsibilities will be outlined to aid in the organization of preparation, response, & recovery from a threatened or actual emergency and will be given to students prior to enrollment.

#### Fire Extinguisher Maintenance Plan

All fire extinguishers are maintained by Fire Systems of Michigan for the main campus Detroit location and Texas Fire and Safety for the Killeen branch campus location. All fire extinguishers are checked annually.

#### **Evaluation & Revision**

DSDT's written health and safety plan is reviewed annually by DSDT's Institutional and Occupational Advisory Committees, to ensure compliance with LARA and TWC post-secondary school licensing division guidelines, as well as adequacy. Students, employees, and visitors will use this form to report school related injuries, illness, or "near miss" events (which could have caused an injury or illness) - no matter how minor. This helps us to identify student plans/procedures and emergency preparedness protocols and correct hazards before they cause serious injuries. This form shall be completed by students as soon as possible and given to the Campus Security Authority/ respective School Director. Always keep work areas clean and orderly, and immediately report all accidents to the Campus Security Authority/ respective School Director. Operate instructional material/ equipment only after proper training has been administered and under the supervision of instructor/ and or School Director. All employees must wear business casual clothing while on campus or must have appropriate clothing provided (for purchase by student), DSDT T-shirt, jeans/slacks, and closed-toe shoes. Employees caring for injuries sustained during, or arising out of, on campus activities should direct your questions or concerns relating to the safety programs or issues immediately to the Campus Security Authority/ respective School Director, or local emergency personnel. Local numbers are posted on the walls of the campus, or in the student handbook and catalog made available to the student prior to enrollment. All visitors are required to enter the facility through the main entrance and sign the sign-in sheet, stating their name, phone number, email, and reason for visit. School visitors must show proper identification and be screened through the school's visitor management system. This is to ensure the safety of our students, employees, and guests. In the event of an emergency or unforeseen event that needs immediate care other than what the institution can accommodate, call 911 and complete an Injury Report form. Have the student, Campus Security Authority/ respective School Director, or the supervisor who charted the incident acknowledge and sign off on documentation.

## Individual completing this form, please circle the correct one:

## Student / Staff member/ Committee Member/ Patron of the Facility

Signature

Date



A DETROIT SCHOOL FOR DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY				
Today's Date:				
Incident Report (Indicate which campus)				
DSDT Main Campus 1759 W. 20th StreetDetroit, MI				
48216				
DSDT Branch Campus 4301 E Stan Schlueter Loop Bldg #1 Killeen, TX 76542				
Students employees and all visit	ore will use this form to	roport all school r	elated injuries, illness, or "near mi	55??
events (which could have caused	an injury or illness)- no s injuries. This form sha	matter how minor	•. This helps us to identify and corr students as soon as possible and give	ect
I am reporting a work related:	🗆 Injury	□ Illness	D Near Miss	
Your Name:				
Y our mame:				
Instructor/Supervisor:				
Have you told your instructor/sup	pervisor about this	□ Yes		
injury?				
Date of injury/near miss:		Time of injury/	near miss:	
Name of witness (if any):				
Where, exactly, did it happen?				
What were you doing at the time?	?			



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What could have been done to prevent this injury/near miss?

What parts of your body Were injured? If a near miss, how could you have been hurt? Did you see a doctor about thisinjury/near miss? □ Yes  $\square$  No If yes, whom did you see? **Doctor's phone #:** Part of body affected: Nature of the injury you're reporting: Front Back Abrasion, scrapes Amputation **Broken bone** Right Left Right Left Bruise **Burn (heat) Burn (chemical) Concussion (to the head) Crushing Injury** Cut, laceration, puncture UN an Illness Sprain, strain **Other:** Written witness statement: Number of attachments (photographs, hospital verification, drawings, etc.):



## Why did the incident happen?

	Unguarded hazard	□ Other:	
	Safety device is defective		
	Tool or equipment defective		
	Workstation layout is hazardous		
	Unsafe lighting		
	Unsafe ventilation		
	Lack of needed personal protective equipment		
	Lack of appropriate equipment/tools		
	No training or insufficient training		
W	What changes do you suggest preventing this incident/ near miss from happening again?		

□ Stop this activity

□ Other:

- Redesign school area
- □ Train/ enforce policy

Your Signature:	Date:
*For administrative use only*	
Written by:	Date:
Job title:	
Names of team investigating:	
Reviewed by:	Date:
Job title:	
Why did the unsafe conditions exist/ why did they occur? Were there unsafe acts or conditions reported prior to the incident? Have there been similar incidents or near misses prior to this one?	



# All new students/ employees must complete this form before they enter school program or work environment.

- Please review every room at facility for the immediate evacuation route in event of an emergency or fire.
- Please report all investigations and or incidents to the fire department by calling 911 and give the name of the DSDT location: Main Campus: 1759 W 20th Street Detroit, MI 48216
   Branch Campus: 4301 E Stan Schlueter Loop Bldg #1 Killeen, TX 76542

#### **BASIC REQUIREMENTS FOR A SAFE WORKPLACE**

- Proper Ventilation: Some fumes can be harmful.
- Proper Use of Flammables: Read labels and always follow precaution.
- Proper use of chemicals and materials: Please refer to teacher/ student manuals. If your class is using any of them, they will be listed in your manual and reviewed in introductory class.
- Designated smoking areas: Never smoke or permit clients to smoke while being served. Avoid other sources of open flames.
- Safe Product Storage: Store products in closed containers and prevent spills or leakage. Store in the adequately ventilated area and in moderate temperature.
- Protection during application: Follow directions, wear gloves and/or goggles as directed, properly drape client. Apply your professional training.
- Proper Use of First Aid: First aid kit is available and at the front desk and in the classroom.
- Fire Safety: Posted and must be reviewed for evacuation procedure during new student/ employee orientation.

#### IN THE EVENT OF A FIRE:

- Contact the fire department (911) and Give name and address of the business, nature of fire (what is burning), and the name of person reporting the fire.
- Evacuate premises by following the planned procedure for the facility
- Alternate exits for use in the event the fire blocks regularroute.
- Fire extinguishers are serviced annually.

#### **USE OF FIRE EXTINGUISHERS**

Install away from potential fire hazards and near an escape route. Follow the instructions. Many works as follows:

- 1. Pull the pin
- 2. Aim the nozzle

- 3. Squeeze the handle
- 4. Sweep from side to side at the base until fire goes out

#### **RECOMMENDED PROCEDURES**

The National Fire Protection Association recommends that you should ONLY stand and fight a fire if ALL the following are TRUE:

- Everyone is leaving the premises and the fire department has been called
- The fire is small and confined to the work area where it started (wastebasket, cushion, small appliance, etc.)

#### Individual completing this form, please circle the correct one:

- You can fight the fire with your back to an escape route
- Your extinguisher is rated for the type of fire you are fighting and is in good working order
- You know how to operate the extinguisher

#### Student / Guest / Employee



# **VETERAN BENEFIT POLICY**

DSDT the school permits any covered individual to attend or participate in the course of education during the period beginning on the date on which the individual provides to the educational institution a certificate of eligibility for entitlement to educational assistance under chapter 31 or 33 (a "certificate of eligibility" can also include a "Statement of Benefits" obtained from the Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) website – benefits, or a VAF 28-1905 form for chapter 31 authorization purposes) and ending on the earlier of the following dates:

1. The date on which payment from VA is made to the institution.

2. 90 days after the date the institution certified tuition and fees following the receipt of the certificate of eligibility. DSDT ensures our educational institution will not impose any penalty, including the assessment of late fees, the denial of access to classes, libraries, or other institutional facilities, or the requirement that a covered individual borrow additional funds, on any covered individual because of the individual's inability to meet his or her financial obligations to the institution due to the delayed disbursement funding from VA under chapter 31 or 33.





# VETERAN STUDENT ADDENDUM

This catalog addendum applies to those students receiving U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs education (GI Bill®) benefits while attending DSDT. Please acknowledge by your signature below that you have read and understand the information in this addendum, and have received and understand the policies, rules, and regulations of DSDT.

**Prior Credit Policy:** Per, 38CFR 21.4253(d)(3), previous training and experience will be considered and granted if appropriate for veterans and eligible students. Veterans must submit a copy of their DD-214 Form and/or Joint Service Transcript (JST).

<u>Attendance Policy</u>: Students are expected to attend all classes. If circumstances prevent attendance at a specific class, prior notification is expected in order to arrange make-up sessions. If attendance falls below 67% at the evaluation point, VA benefits will be terminated. Students will not be terminated from absences that result from authorized mitigating circumstances, as determined by the School Director. Students who have been terminated from the school for unsatisfactory academic attendance may be re-admitted at the discretion of the School Director.

<u>Conduct Policy:</u> Students must conduct themselves in a respectable manner at all times. Disruptive or inappropriate behavior deemed unsatisfactory conduct by school officials, will result in termination of veteran educational benefits, and possible dismissal from DSDT. Re-admittance after conduct dismissal requires reapplication to the school.

<u>Academic Progress Policy:</u> Students receiving VA education benefits must maintain a 70% or a 2.0 grade point average on tests and in written practical exams, satisfactory and timely completion of all assignments, reports, projects etc. Failure to meet these criteria will result in being on an academic warning. If the criterions are not met by the end of the probationary period, VA educational benefits will be terminated. Certification to VA for payment will not be resumed until the student has returned to a satisfactory academic status.

**Pro-Rated Refund Policy for Veterans and other Eligible Students:** Per CFR21.4255, DSDT has a pro-rata refund policy for the refund of the unused portion of tuition, fees, and other charges in the event the veteran or eligible person fails to enter the course or withdraws or is discontinued there from at any time prior to completion.

**Equal Opportunity Statement:** DSDT does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religious, sex, age, disability or national origin.

**<u>Program Completion</u>**: The student must satisfactorily complete the academic requirements of their chosen field and satisfy all financial obligations to receive a certificate or diploma.

**<u>Retention of Records</u>**: DSDT will retain records and accounts of students receiving VA Educational benefits for a period of three years following course completion. These records will be made available to the student upon request and certification.

I hereby certify that the contents found herein are true and correct in content and policy.

Authorized Official

Title of

Date

Student Name (Printed)

Student



# STUDENT RULES AND CODE OF CONDUCT

#### **ATTENDANCE POLICY**

Until the next scheduled evaluation: For a student to be making satisfactory academic progress as of the course midpoint, the student must meet 67% in attendance and 70% academic requirements on at least one evaluation by midpoint in the course. Regardless of the average level of attendance, students who have more than 10 school days (14 calendar days) of consecutive absences without communication to the School Director/Designee will be dismissed on the 11<sup>th</sup> consecutive school day as an unofficial withdraw.

#### CONDUCT

At DSDT, we strive to create an atmosphere conducive to learning and professionalism. To achieve our goal for the benefit of all our students, it's essential that you arrive promptly to each class and are prepared. Our instructors must have your complete attention to be able to communicate in an environment that will assist the student in learning. DSDT will not tolerate any classroom distractions or interruptions. If a student shows a poor or disruptive attitude it will be at the instructor's discretion to decide if the student will be allowed to continue in the program. If the inappropriate behavior continues, the student will have to meet with the department head of DSDT. If the student is dismissed from the course, it will be without refund.

#### **COURSE SCHEDULES**

DSDT offers Classes in the Morning, Afternoon, and Evening. Dates vary per course availability. Check with an admissions representative for listings.

#### **COURSE MATERIAL**

The student is advised to a bring pen/pencil and a notepad to each class meeting.

#### **STUDENT AGREES TO:**

- Receive the required number of clock hours of training
- Complete and receive passing grades on all practical graduation requirements and projects, including practical and theoretical examinations
- Satisfactorily pass final written and practical exams
- Complete the required theory hours
- Pay all tuition cost or make satisfactory arrangements for payment of all debts owed to the school

Once the student has met all these requirements, he/she will obtain a diploma or certificate of completion.

**Student Signature** 



#### CPL DATA REPORTED AS OF JUNE 30TH, 2023

#### **Combined Data Reported 2023 Reported Data** Completion Rate: 89%

Graduation Rate: 89% Placement Rate: 97%

# Per Program Reported

2023 Reported Data

#### **Digital Marketing Professional**

Completion Rate: 84% Graduation Rate: 81% Placement Rate: 96%

#### **Technology Professional 2**

Completion Rate: 96% Graduation Rate: 96% Placement Rate: 100%

#### **Technology Professional 6**

Completion Rate: 91% Graduation Rate: 91% Placement Rate: 97%

#### **Business Information Technology Specialist**

Completion Rate: 83% Graduation Rate: 62% Placement Rate: 96%

#### **Full Stack Developer**

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Completion Rate: 80% Graduation Rate: 70% Placement Rate: 91%

#### **AI Prompt Specialist**

Completion Rate: (Coming Soon) Graduation Rate: (Coming Soon) Placement Rate: (Coming Soon)

#### **Medical Assistant**

Completion Rate: (Coming Soon) Graduation Rate: (Coming Soon) Placement Rate: (Coming Soon)

#### **Prompt Engineer Professional**

Completion Rate: (Coming Soon) Graduation Rate: (Coming Soon) Placement Rate: (Coming Soon)



# ADMISSIONS, APPLICATION AND ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT

#### **GENERAL TERMS OF AGREEMENT:**

- DSDT shall provide programs of study that meets minimum curriculum requirements as prescribed by the state regulatory agency.
- May change kit contents, textbooks, dress code, curriculum format, teaching materials or educational methods at its discretion.
- Will grant a diploma of graduation and Official Transcript of Hours for the applicable course when the student has successfully completed all phases of study, required tests, practical assignments; passed a final comprehensive written and practical examination; completed the program successfully and according to State requirements; completed all exit paperwork; attended an exit interview and made satisfactory arrangements for payment of all debts owed to DSDT.
- Will issue an Official Transcript of Hours to students who withdraw prior to program completion when the student has successfully completed the required exit paperwork, attended an exit interview, and made satisfactory arrangements for debts owed to DSDT as approved by DSDT. Will assist graduates in finding suitable employment by posting area employment opportunities and teaching Job Readiness classes, but placement is not guaranteed.
- May terminate a student's enrollment for noncompliance with General Policies, this contract, or State Laws and Regulations; Improper conduct or any action which causes or could cause bodily harm to a client, a student, or employee of the school; willful destruction of school property; and theft or any illegal act.

#### **STUDENT:**

- Agrees to pay applicable school fees and provide all required registration paperwork in a timely manner
- Agrees to comply with all Standards of Conduct, General Policies, State Laws and Regulations, and educational requirements including Practical assignment
- Agrees not to refuse to perform practical hours or other program requirements
- Agrees to comply with the school's dress code at all times and project a professional image representative of the related industry DSDT serves
- Agrees to comply with the assigned schedule for the applicable Certificate or Diploma Program, which may change from time to time at the discretion of the school
- Agrees to attend theory class as scheduled for the duration of the course of study regardless of whether all required tests have been taken and passed

This page Agreement constitutes a binding contract between the student and DSDT when signed by all applicable parties and upon acceptance by the school. By signing below, you certify that you have read both pages. You will receive an exact copy of the signed contract. Keep it to protect your rights. The school reserves the rights to change start dates based on class enrollment, staff availability and other considerations.



#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

My signature below certifies that I have read, understand, and agree to comply with its contents, and that the institution's cancellation and refund policies have been clearly explained to me. I have received a copy of this fully executed agreement.

#### DISCLAIMER

The school does not discriminate in its employment, admission, and instruction or graduation policies on the basis of sex, age, religion, or ethnic origin nor does it recruit students already attending or admitted to another school already offering similar programs of study.

DSDT requires that each student enrolling in the DSDT curriculum provided program must:

- Complete This Application Prior To Enrollment
- Provide Proof of Secondary Education Such as A High School Diploma And Or Ged
- Provide Proof of a License Or State Id With Picture

**Student Signature** 



# STUDENT ENROLLMENT AND APPLICATION AGREEMENT

Student Name:En		Email Address:	Email Address:	
Dependent Status: (Independent, Dependent	us: Veteran Status: endent)			
Age:	Race:	Sex:	Marital Status:	
DOB:	Education Level: (GED, HS Diplom Associates, Bach	a, Some College,	High School Grad Year	
Address:(Street)	(C	ity)	(State) (ZipCode)	
Phone Number:				
Driver's License#: _				
Social Security #:				
U.S. Citizen:	_YesNo			
Contract Begins:		Contract E	nds:	
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# **CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION:** 80 - 320 CLOCK HOURS **DIPLOMA PROGRAM:** 600-760 CLOCK HOURS

#### **CLASS SCHEDULE RANGES FROM:** 4-38 WEEKS IN LENGTH. ALL STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND A MINIMUM OF 22 HRS PER WEEK.

#### SCHOOL SCHEDULE (DAYS & TIMES):



In case of emergency, please notify:
Contact #1
Emergency Contact Name:
Relationship:
Address:
Phone Number:
Contact #2
Emergency Contact Name:
Relationship:
Address:
Phone Number:



# **CONTRACT COST PAYMENT TERMS**

Student and sponsor (if applicable) agree to pay DSDT the tuition and fees for the program selected according to the approved payment plan stated below. The school may, at its option and without notice, prevent student from attending class until any applicable unpaid balances are satisfied. Methods of payment include full payment at time of signing the Enrollment Agreement, and or remaining balance paid prior to start date or through an approved payment plan as stated herein. Payments may be made by cash, check, money order, and/or credit card. Students are responsible for paying the total tuition and fees and for repaying applicable loans plus interest.

<b>Registration</b> Fee:	<b>Books/Equipment:</b>	
\$	\$	
Financial Aid Payment:	MI Works Payment:	
\$	\$	
Veteran Affairs Payment:	Monthly Payment:	
\$	\$	
Less Deposit:	<b>Balance Due:</b>	
\$	\$	

**Total Tuition & Fees:** 

Curriculum Advisor Signature and Date:



#### I have received information concerning the following topics during my orientation:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Program Objectives
- \_\_\_\_\_ Desired Student Characteristics
- \_\_\_\_\_ Job Opportunities in the Chosen Field
- Program and/or Course Outlines
- \_\_\_\_\_ Course Lengths and Schedules
- \_\_\_\_\_ Diploma and or Certificate Requirements
- \_\_\_\_\_ General School Policies
- \_\_\_\_\_ Clocking Procedures
- Equipment Policy
- \_\_\_\_\_ Dress Code
- \_\_\_\_\_ Standards of Conduct/Rules
- \_\_\_\_\_ Security and Safety Awareness Policies
- \_\_\_\_\_ Drug-Free Workplace Policy
- \_\_\_\_\_ Student Grievance Policy and Procedure
- \_\_\_\_\_ Leave of Absence
- \_\_\_\_\_ Disciplinary Policy
- \_\_\_\_\_ Counseling Resources and Procedures
- \_\_\_\_\_ Reference Materials/Media Center
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tuition payment overview/ Third party lender info
- \_\_\_\_\_ Consumer Information
- \_\_\_\_\_ Satisfactory Academic Progress
- \_\_\_\_\_ Safety, First Aid
- \_\_\_\_\_ Evacuation Procedures
- \_\_\_\_\_ Location and Use of Fire Extinguishers
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other Policies as applicable to the school

**Student Signature** 

Date



Student Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Program Start Date:\_\_\_\_\_

I have received written information concerning the following topics prior to signing my enrollment agreement:

Please check the following boxes:

- □ School Catalog
- $\Box$  School's Graduation Rate
- □ School's Job Placement Rate
- Certification or Diploma Requirements
- □ Prerequisites for Employment
- □ Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy

Student Signature

Date



- 1. Title: Identified as a contract or enrollment agreement
- 2. Name and address of the institution
- 3. List the name of the student enrollee
- 4. Course/Program Title(s) as identified in catalog
  - 5. Length of Courses/Programs with a total number of clock hour competencies and approximate number of weeks or months required
  - 6. Costs
    - \_\_\_\_\_a. Total tuition for the course
    - \_\_\_\_\_b. Books and supplies cost
      - c. Payment terms and methods must be identified
  - 7. Scheduled class starting date
- 8. Calculated completion date
- 9. Class Schedule Actual hours per week
- \_\_\_\_\_11. Institutional Refund Policy
- \_\_\_\_\_12. Graduation requirements
- 13. Employment assistance description/ employment not guaranteed
- 14. Acknowledgment that signers have read and received a copy of contract
- \_\_\_\_\_15. Date and signature of the applicant and parent/sponsor, if applicable
- \_\_\_\_\_16. Acceptance date and signature of institution official
- 17. Governmental body requirements (license, state ID, GED, Diploma)
- 18. Any other conditions, circumstances or qualifications imposed by school
- \_\_\_\_\_19. The contract is in language course/program will be taught

**Student Signature** 

Date



# **RELEASE OF STUDENT INFORMATION AUTHORIZATION FORM**

I understand that I have the right to gain access to my records according to the school's Access to Files Policy by making an appointment with the appropriate school official.

I also understand that I have the right to authorize certain individuals, organizations, or class of parties (such as potential employers) to gain access to certain information in my student file.

I hereby authorize DSDT, individuals of organizations or third-party employers to have access to the following information:

All Student file forms and contracts signed and dated by me in the event my information must be shared in the above aforementioned circumstances.

**NOTE:** This form is to be used each time the school wants or has a need to release information from the student file to a third party. This form need not be used when releasing information from the student's file to the student or student's parent if the student is a dependent student under IRS laws.

**Student Signature** 



# **MEDIA RELEASE FORM**

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, hereby authorize DSDT to use and/or reproduce photos and /or videos without compensation. I understand that this material may be used in various publications, public affair releases, recruitment materials, broadcast public service advertising (PSA's) or for other related endeavors. This material may also appear on the company's or project sponsor's internet web page. This authorization is continuous and may only be withdrawn by my specific recession of this authorization. Consequently, the company or project sponsor may publish materials, use my name, photographs, and/or refer to me in any manner that the company or project sponsor deems appropriate in order to promote/publicize service opportunities.

#### Description of Material Covered (Photo/Audio/Visual):

Any photo, audio or video material taken/recorded while on school property, during school events or while off-campus for school practical teaching.

**Student Name (Printed)** 

Student Signature & Date



Student Name:	
Program:	
Date:	
CUMULATIVE ATTEND	ANCE
Scheduled Hours: (Schedul	ed hours at date of report)
Actual Hours: (Actual hours	at date of report)
Rate of Attendance:%	
CUMULATIVE GRADES/	ACADEMICS
Theory: (out of 100)	
%	
Practical: (out of 100)	
%	
<b>GPA:</b> (cumulative + practical /	200)
0%	
Comments:	

Instructor Signature

Date



# **REPORT CARD**

Student Name:

Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_\_

CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE

Scheduled Hours: (Scheduled hours at date of report)

Actual Hours: (Actual hours at date of report)

**Rate of Attendance:** 

%

**CUMULATIVE GRADES/ACADEMICS** 

**Theory:** (out of 100)

\_\_\_\_\_%

**Practical:** (out of 100)

\_\_\_\_\_%

**GPA:** (cumulative + practical / 200)

%

Comments:

**Instructor Signature** 



# PRACTICAL SKILLS COMPETENCY EVALUATION CRITERIA

The skills category is graded by dividing the number of criteria rated yes into the total number of criteria. At least 75% in each applicable category must be attained for a passing score. Practical skills are evaluated according to test procedures and performance standards established by the state regulating agencies.

- 93 100 Excellent
- 85 92 Very Good
- 75 84 Satisfactory
- 74 0 Needs Improvement; Does not meet qualifications

To calculate the overall competency evaluation score, the evaluator averages the percentages for all categories and converts to the above scale. Each student is counseled regarding evaluation results and the permanent record is signed by the verifying instructor and the student examination candidate.

**NOTE TO RATER:** Rate item from 1-100 based upon category performance. Divide the total by 10 to determine the overall score using a 100% scale.

#### SKILL PERFORMANCE

1. Prepared and participated in class
2. Proper techniques demonstrated
3. Performed practical assessments in timely manner
4. Used proper software and equipment for specific task
5. Applied learned theory techniques
6. Demonstrated organizational skills
7. Demonstrated skill proficiency
8. Demonstrated appropriate application techniques
9. Demonstrated competency in practical application
10. Maintains proper behavior and professionalism
Total% Total Score (Total / 1,000)

**Student Signature** 

Date

**Instructor Signature** 



# **TECHNICAL INFRASTRUCTURE STUDENT SURVEY & FEEDBACK FORM**

## STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

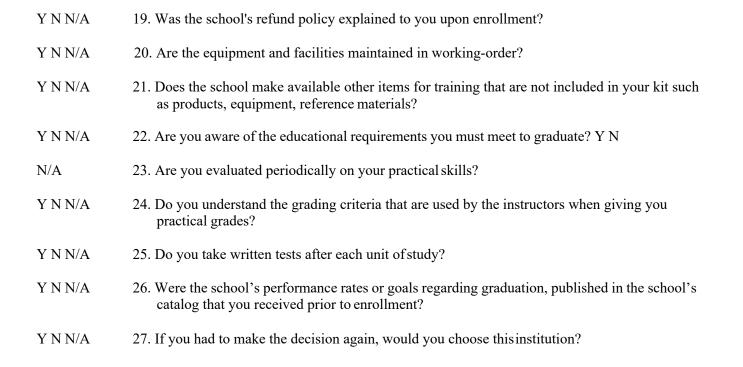
# PROGRAM:\_\_\_\_\_\_APPROXIMATE HOURS EARNED: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **PART 1: Technical Infrastructure**

As part of the school's routine assessment of its achievements and commitment to students, please respond to the following questions by circling Y for yes, N for no, or N/A for not applicable. Please feel free to provide additional comments in the section provided. Thank you for your assistance.

Y N N/A	1. Is the school striving to meet the mission stated in the catalog?
Y N N/A	2. When teaching the class, does your teacher use effective delivery?
Y N N/A	3. Does the school use qualified substitute instructors when instructors are absent?
Y N N/A	4. Have you ever been advised about financial assistance opportunities?
Y N N/A	5. If yes, was the advice beneficial?
Y N N/A	6. Did you receive a copy of the school catalog prior to enrollment?
Y N N/A	7. Do you have a high school diploma or GED?
Y N N/A	8. Did you sign an enrollment agreement prior to starting school?
Y N N/A	9. Did you receive a copy of your enrollmentagreement?
Y N N/A	10. Do you know who to see with questions regarding your graduation requirements, financial assistance, employment, or your academic progress?
Y N N/A	11. Did you go through orientation on or before start day?
Y N N/A	12. Did orientation explain school policies, program goals, administrative policies affecting students and available student services?
Y N N/A	13. Have you attended classes on job readiness and job search skills?
Y N N/A	14. Do you understand the graduation requirements and the difference between a Diploma and licensing program?
Y N N/A	15. Do you clock in and out each time you arrive and leave the school according to policy?
Y N N/A	16. Are you aware that you must maintain a minimum attendance rate and grade average to maintain satisfactory academic progress?
Y N N/A	17. Were you made aware of the school's internal grievance procedure?
Y N N/A	18. Have you received appropriate texts and/or kit materials for your program of study?





Please provide any additional feedback or constructive comments you may have on the school's curriculum, space and facilities, student support services, and performance statistics that might help improve the school. Thank you again for your assistance.



#### PART 2: Academic Technical Theory and Practical Learning Methods

The school has developed a comprehensive curriculum for each course of study which includes requirements for study, weekly class schedules, detailed lesson plans, handouts and project sheets, visual aids and support materials. The Digital Marketing Professional Diploma and Technology Professional Courses meet the standards established by the state regulatory agency, as applicable. Educators are trained in a variety of teaching methods, which are incorporated into the instruction of each course.

#### **DSDT Teaching Methods Include:**

- Discussion
- Questions & Answers
- Demonstration
- Cooperative
- Learning
- Problem Solving
- Interactive Lecture

- Individualized Instruction
- Student PresentationLabs

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- Student Activities
- Classroom Presentations
- Field Trips
- Guest Speakers
- Project

Are the academic and practical learning methods used effective relevant to learning styles and current education trends?	T YES	□ NO
Please provide any additional recommendations:		

#### PART 3: Facilities, Equipment & Learning Resources

#### **DSDT'S facility includes:**

- Properly arranged and equipped classrooms for academic and practical learning.
- A contemporary modern facility with stations, tables, lighting, materials, and appropriate equipment.
- Offices for admission, education, academic advisement, and study.
- Learning resources including Flash Drives, reference books, technical manuals, professional periodicals, supplements, to text materials, computers, media resource center and inventory of supplies to enhance the educational programs.

Are these resources adequate for instructional needs as stated in the program objectives?	□ YES	□ NO
Do they meet the professional standards for safety and health requirements?	□ YES	□ NO

Please provide any additional recommendations:

#### **GRADUATION, COMPLETION, AND PLACEMENT RATES** AS OF 2022 COMBINED TOTALS:

2022 reported data: Completion Rate: 88% Graduation Rate: 85% Placement Rate: 97%

Do you feel these are good outcomes for the institution?

 $\Box$  YES  $\Box$  NO

Please provide any additional recommendations:

Again, thank you for taking the time to read and respond to this survey. Please list your general constructive comments on our institution below if you have any. If, however, your evaluation found our institution to be operating effectively and appropriately for achievement of our mission and objectives, we would appreciate a summary of your positive observations as well. Our staff is diligent in its efforts to provide quality education within the parameters of our stated mission. Therefore, we would appreciate any positive feedback you have to share. If we can ever be of assistance to you in any manner or provide you with qualified graduates to meet your employment needs, please don't hesitate to call on us.

# STUDENT INSTRUCTOR EVALUATION

Student Name:	Date:
Program:	Approximate Hours Earned:

The following pages contain statements about the education your instructor is delivering. Please rate the frequency of how your instructor engages in each of the below statements from Poor to Excellent. This information will be used to make constant improvements to the student experience at DSDT. There are no right or wrong answers in this survey. We appreciate your feedback.

# **INSTRUCTOR COMPETENCY**

Flexibility & Adaptability Classroom projects apply to real world experiences	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
<b>Guidance &amp; Cooperative</b> Provides the opportunity to discuss class work	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
<b>Evaluation Process &amp; Decision Making</b> Explains how student will be evaluated	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
<b>Punctuality &amp; Professionalism</b> Displays a professional image in actions and behavior	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
<b>Competence of Curriculum Taught</b> Demonstrates knowledge of subject of study	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
Quality Classroom/lab is a safe and clean environment	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
<b>Productivity</b> Class time is well planned by the instructor All assignments are clear and easy to understand Plan of progress in place for student Projects and assignments are readily available	Poor Poor Poor Poor	Satisfactory Satisfactory Satisfactory Satisfactory	Excellent Excellent Excellent Excellent	N/A N/A N/A N/A
<b>Initiative</b> Encourages thinking and problem solving Technology is incorporated in class learning	Poor Poor	Satisfactory Satisfactory	Excellent Excellent	N/A N/A
<b>Diversity</b> All students are treated fairly	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
Inclusion Teaching methods adapt to student learning styles	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
<b>Communications</b> Verbal and written skills are demonstrated Demonstrates a cooperative spirit	Poor Poor	Satisfactory Satisfactory	Excellent Excellent	N/A N/A
<b>Institutional Commitment</b> Sense of pride in student completion and placement while challenging students to do their best	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
The instructor exhibits a professional attitude Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A





# EXIT INTERVIEW AND PLACEMENT SURVEY

STUDENT NAME:		DATE:	
PROGRAM:	EMAIL:		
Please rate DSDT's follow	ing school programs and services:		

Classroom and Equipment	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
Projects and Homework	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
• Instructor	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
School Administrator	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
Financing Services	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
Counseling Services	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
• Job Placement	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
Counseling Services	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
Student Activities				
(Fairs, Guest Speakers,				
Special Events, etc.)	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A
Condition of School				
(Maintenance,				
cleanliness, parking)	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent	N/A

Was the Health and Safety Plan Given to You and Available in the Student Handbook? Yes No

Why are you leaving? (Completed program, financial reasons, etc.)

Please provide feedback and/or areas of improvement (if any) on course instruction and curriculum delivery modes:

What suggestions do you offer to improve the program/school?

Do you have any additional comments or suggestions for improvement of Student Services (counseling, financing, activities, etc.)?

DID YOU RECEIVE FINANCIAL AID? If yes, indicate the type	Yes	No
PLACEMENT INFORMATION: Do you have a job? If no, indicate why	Yes	No
Employer Name		_Full Time / Part Time (Circle One)
Address	Immediate	
Supervisor		
Job Title	Supervisor's Email	
Phone # of Employer:	Hourly Wage	
How did you find out about the job?		
What is your current address?		

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