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## **DSDT GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **APPROVAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

**DSDT** is an institute of higher learning 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 an institute of higher learning, which has been nationally accredited since 2017. **DSDT** has a main campus located in southwest Detroit and a branch location in Killeen, Texas. **DSDT** first opened its doors in 2011 in Farmington Hills, Michigan. In 2016, **DSDT** opened a new facility 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 and Cybersecurity. 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. In 2024, **DSDT** successfully became an institute of higher learning in an effort to start offering degree granting programs and is now known today as **DSDT College, Inc. dba DSDT**. Since becoming a college, **DSDT** will now begin offering an associate of applied science in information technology in early 2025.

### **LEGAL NOTICES AND CERTIFICATION**

State of Michigan Post-Secondary School Division

### **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](http://www.council.org).



### **DISTANCE EDUCATION**

**DSDT** has been approved to participate in State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements.

If you're a distance education student, please note that **DSDT** is a National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA) approved institution, and complaints can be submitted to LARA. Please visit [NC-Sara Complaint process](#) for more information.



### **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.

### **ASSOCIATE DEGREE**

Students will receive an associate degree after the successful completion of 64 semester credit hours, including 16 semester credit hours of general education courses and 48 semester credit hours of technical courses.

### **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.

Active military service members, veterans, and family members of military service members or veterans may be eligible to [submit a complaint](#) for review to the Department of Defense (DoD).

### **TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS**

DSDT's learning and teaching methods are 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 Workforce Development team 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.

### **LEGAL 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.

DSDT is committed to a policy of equal opportunity for all people and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, religion, height, weight, or veteran status in employment, educational programs and activities, and admissions. DSDT values and upholds the equal dignity of all members of its community and strives to balance the rights of the parties in the resolution process during what is often a difficult time for all those involved.

DSDT adheres to all federal, state and local civil rights laws prohibiting discrimination in employment and education. The college does not discriminate in its employment practices on the basis of sex/gender. Sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating and domestic violence, stalking and sexual exploitation are prohibited under Title IX and by college policy.

The law and DSDT's policy prohibit discrimination and harassment of employees or discrimination and harassment between members of the college community: for example, between an employee and a supervisor, between two employees, or between an employee and an applicant or campus guest. Any member of the campus community who acts to deny, deprive or limit an employment opportunity of any member of the DSDT community on the basis of sex is in violation of this policy.

Any person may report sex harassment, discrimination or other forms of sexual misconduct, whether or not the person reporting is the person alleged to have experienced the conduct. Reports may be made by telephone or email directly to the Director of Administration. Reports can be made any time, including during non-business hours, by calling DSDT directly at 888-688-4234 or by emailing [katie@dstdt.tech](mailto:katie@dstdt.tech).

## **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**

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.

## INSTITUTIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS



**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 many more.



**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.



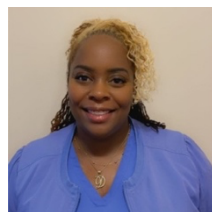
**Eleya Montroy**

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**

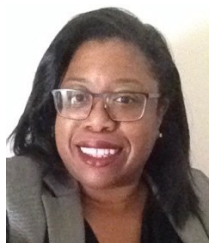
Erinn Copeland is a professional with experience in education and various healthcare positions. Erinn currently serves as a member of the Texas Society for Medical Services Specialists and works as a recreation and enrichment program manager at Methodist Healthcare Ministries. Erinn has a vast network 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.

## DIGITAL MARKETING PROFESSIONAL OCCUPATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS



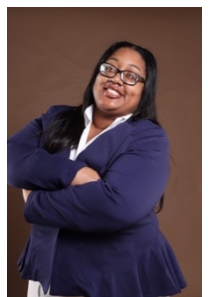
**Joseph Ogburn**

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."



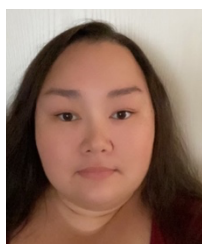
**Yolanda Marshall**

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.



**Amanda Pickelsimer**

Amanda Pickelsimer is a small business owner of over 4 years and a community partner in Killeen, Texas. She currently owns and operates two successful companies related to commercial printing, marketing and graphic design. Amanda's areas of expertise include Canva, CorelDRAW, Silhouette Design Studio, e-commerce, digital marketing, social media outreach, stakeholder and customer service, content creation and design. In her spare time, Amanda participates in various opportunities to educate small business owners on topics such as financial education. She believes that life is a learning journey, and everyone has something to offer others from their experiences. Her focus is building up other people and businesses through mutual support and sharing resources.

## TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONAL 6 OCCUPATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS



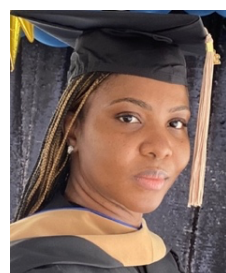
**Melinda Ann O'Neill**

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. Wendy 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**

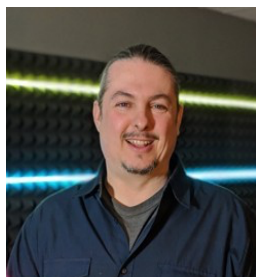
Shaneika is a logistics professional and military veteran with a Secret Security Clearance and 5+ years of proven experience in leadership, logistics, supply chain management, warehouse operations, and administrative support. She possesses a comprehensive background in personnel management and development, 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.



**Skip Sorrels**

Skip Sorrels, a distinguished cybersecurity professional, is widely acclaimed for his leadership in crafting robust cybersecurity programs. Armed with a Master of Science in Cybersecurity and Information Assurance, he boasts a unique amalgamation of technical expertise and a solid foundation in healthcare cybersecurity. Skip's career trajectory came full circle, commencing in the nursing profession in Texas, where he navigated intensive care, trauma units, and transplant teams. His fascination with computers and technology eventually led him to Dell, where he significantly contributed to the architecture and solutioning for Department of Defense contracts and military branches. Currently serving as a Director of Cybersecurity at Ascension Healthcare, one of the nation's largest non-profit healthcare providers, Skip leverages his dual experience as a former nursing practitioner and a security executive to enhance healthcare cybersecurity.

## 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, [Sunday Morning Linux Review](#), has over 5,000 downloads a month and the Lawrence Systems [YouTube channel](#)

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.



**Latecia Lampkin**

Latecia is a security, privacy, and compliance professional with over 15 years of experience in the field. She has a vast and proven track record for leading large-scale security initiatives and projects at top firms, including Booz Allen Hamilton, Deloitte & Touche. Most recently, she worked for Google's Security, Privacy, and Compliance for Mergers and Acquisitions organization, securing cool products for startups at X Moonshot Factory. Latecia is passionate about giving back to the community and helping others succeed in Cybersecurity. She has spent most of her career teaching, mentoring, and coaching working adults who aspire to transition into the field.



**Sarith Pullanikkat**

Sarith is a cybersecurity professional with over 13 years of industry & consulting experience. He has expertise in various aspects of cybersecurity including but not limited to security strategy development, security assessments, IoT security, and security governance, risk & compliance (GRC). In his previous role as a cybersecurity consultant, he has enabled numerous clients from various industries to enhance their security posture by making investments in the right areas of focus. These clients ranged from local small-government institutions to Fortune 100 companies. As a consultant, he enjoyed travelling, meeting new people and learning new technologies & environments. In his current role, Sarith leads the Security Assurance function with Meta's GRC team. His team is responsible for validating that Meta has the right security controls in place and that the company is able to meet its compliance obligations.

## 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.



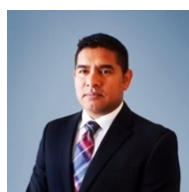
**Rachel Pizzimenti**

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, 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.



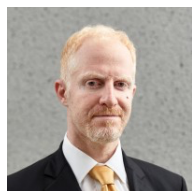
**Hector Guerra**

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.



## MACHINE LEARNING SPECIALIST 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**

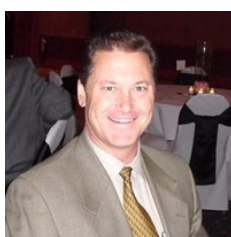
Dr. Hany Othman is a technology professional with over 15 years of experience with small to enterprise-level organizations in various Information Technology, Information Security, Networking, and Project Management. He has over 15 years of experience in higher education; teaching, administration, online 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.



**Dean Crutchfield**

Dean's is the Chief Information Security Officer at Toast, a Fintech company based in Boston Massachusetts. Dean's passion for helping develop and mentor others aligns with his core value of giving back to the community and engaging to help others thrive in their careers. Dean is a senior executive and proven leader with over three decades of experience inside innovative technology companies. During his time in the technology industry, Dean has held Chief Information Officer and Chief Information Security Officer roles in companies that develop cloud based, software as a service (SaaS) and hardware products. Dean has been an executive leader in companies that develop mobile devices, personal computers and enterprise data center software and hardware. These companies include Dell Technologies, Zebra Technologies and SaaS provider CDK Global. At Toast, Dean is responsible for global governance, risk, technical compliance and cybersecurity. Dean serves on several technology committees at Toast including the Artificial Intelligence, Mobile Hardware and Technology Architecture Councils. Dean is an advisory board member of the Payment Card Industry Council, and a cybersecurity advisor to Insight Partners, a Private Equity and Venture Capital firm based in London and New York City.

## 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. Wajieh 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 is a Software Feature Architect AI at Stellantis, SWX Software Engineering Division, Auburn Hills, MI, USA, where he develops AI-based intelligent and adaptive automobile software systems solutions for real-world applications. 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.



**Yogeesh Kunigal Gangaiah**

Yogeesh has seventeen years of experience in IT, which includes 9+ years of managerial experience in both domestic and global companies ranging from hi-tech, retail, automotive, insurance, transportation and telecom industries. Yogeesh currently serves as the Associate Director of IT at Applexus Technologies, working to create solutions for high profile companies on agile program management, automation and artificial intelligence/machine learning. Yogeesh has a passion for mentoring individuals and is an excellent industry leader for the people he manages and the clients he serves.

## Administration & Faculty

### Executive Leadership

Jamie Harris .....CEO  
 Karlos Harris .....COO

### Administration

Mackenzie Fulton ..... Compliance Officer, COE Liaison, Human Resources Manager  
 Cody Barnhart ..... Regional Director, Faculty Director, Director of Inventory and Supply Management  
 Kathryn Kothe ..... Director of Financial Aid, Director of Administration  
 Cierra Rozier ..... Director of Admissions  
 Racquel Williams ..... Chief Financial Officer  
 Hunter Gadwell ..... Director of Student Services  
 Michael Martin ..... Career Services Manager  
 Marco Lograsso ..... Multimedia Specialist

### Faculty

Erik Ladendorf ..... Digital Marketing Professional Program Director  
 John Hanson ..... Digital Marketing Professional Instructor  
 Joe King ..... Senior IT Instructor, Infrastructure Manager  
 Steven Andrews ..... Information Technology Instructor  
 Christopher Turnbull ..... Machine Learning Specialist Instructor  
 Daniel Michalak ..... Full Stack Development & AI Instructor  
 Michele Dominguez ..... Medical Assistant Program Instructor  
 Yulonda Pack ..... Medical Assistant Program Instructor  
 Eric Weiss ..... Capstone Instructor, Adjunct Faculty – Writing  
 Abdulla Khan ..... Adjunct Faculty – Digital Literacy and Society  
 David Patwin ..... Adjunct Faculty – College Mathematics

## **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 non-college degree programs only. There is a \$25 application fee for all associate degree programs.

### **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 pre-enrollment 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,
  2. 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 **high school diploma or equivalent**, the student can be eligible to receive FSA funds if their secondary school education was **in a homeschool that state law treats as a home or private school**. 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.**)
  - **Recognized equivalents of a high school diploma-** The Department of Education recognizes several equivalents to a high school diploma:
    - A GED certificate;
    - A certificate or other **official completion** 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. Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, Friday after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

## **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 POSSESSION 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 Machine Learning Specialist 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

Students who stop attending all classes without officially withdrawing or taking a leave of absence are considered Unofficial Withdrawals and will be subject to a return of federal student aid funds calculation based on the last documented date of attendance as determined by DSDT. **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 post-withdrawal 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

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.

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**Student signature**

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**Date**

## **INSTITUTIONAL REFUND POLICY AND SIGNATURE FROM**

### **Refund And Cancellation Policies**

DSDT adheres to the following policy in determining refunds of tuition and fees paid in advance or sums due to the institution when a student withdraws or is terminated from the institution prior to the completion of the program. All refunds, when due, are made without requiring a request from the student and are made within 45 days (1) of the last day of attendance if written notification has been provided to the institution by the student, or (2) from the date the institution terminates the student or determines withdrawal by the student. DSDT's policies comply with refund and cancellation policy requirements of applicable state, federal, and accrediting agencies.

### **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. If tuition and fees are collected in advance of the start date of a program and DSDT cancels the program, 100% of the tuition and fees (including fees identified as non-refundable) collected are refundable. Such refunds, when due, will be made within forty-five (45) days of the planned start date.

This policy does not apply to students re-entering to complete the same program version, at the original campus of enrollment, within 180 days of their original last date of attendance. In the aforementioned scenario, the institutional refund policy would be applicable.

### **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 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.

### **Refund Policy – Notice of Cancellation**

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 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 at the last date of attendance.
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.

### **Students Enrolled in Credit Hour Programs Greater Than Twelve (12) Months In Length**

Students enrolled in a credit hour program longer than twelve (12) months who withdraw during the first twelve (12) months of their program are not obligated to pay tuition for future periods beyond that first twelve (12) months. Students who withdraw during any subsequent period following the first twelve (12) months will have their tuition refund calculated by applying the same credit hour chart shown below.

### **Students Enrolled in Credit Hour Program**

Students enrolled in a credit hour program less than twelve (12) months who withdraw prior to the end of their program are not obligated to pay tuition for future terms or payment periods beyond the term or payment period that they withdrew in. Students who withdraw or are terminated after the first day of class and who are enrolled in a credit hour program will have their tuition refund calculated as follows:

Time of Withdrawal or Termination during Period of Obligation	Refundable Amount	Amount Owed by Student
Week 1 – 2	90% of Tuition	10% of Tuition
Week 3	50% of Tuition	50% of Tuition
Week 4 – 6	25% of Tuition	75% of Tuition
Week 7 – 12	No refund	100% of Tuition

\* The first week of the period of obligation is defined as seven consecutive calendar days starting on the date the term of instruction begins; all subsequent weeks follow thereafter.

**Students Enrolled in Clock Hour Programs**

Students who withdraw or are terminated after the first day of class and who are enrolled in a clock hour program twelve (12) months or less in length will have their tuition refund calculated as follows:

<b>% of Scheduled Hours in Period of Obligation Prior To Last Date of Attendance</b>	<b>% of Tuition for Payment Period Retained By School</b>
.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%

Tuition charges owed by the student will be calculated on a pro rata basis, based on the percentage of program hours scheduled up to and including the student's last date of attendance. This calculation is not based on the hours attended nor hours earned. For example, if a student was scheduled for 30% of the hours in the period of obligation prior to the last date of attendance, the school will retain 70% of the tuition charged for that period. Students scheduled for 50% or more hours in the period of obligation will be charged the full tuition for that period.

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**Student Signature**

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**Date**

## **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 2024-2025 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.**

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**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](http://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>.

## **Transfer Policies Campus, Program, and External Institutions**

### **Transfer Between DSDT Campuses and/or Programs**

A student requesting to transfer between campuses and/or programs is required to withdraw and subsequently re-admit in the new program and/or campus. Changing campuses and/or programs must be planned proactively to confirm course availability and can only occur if approved by the Director of Admissions and the Director of Student Services at the main campus.

It is important to note that anytime a student changes campuses or programs, financial arrangements must be recalculated, and funding availability may change. This includes Title IV financial aid, cash payments, scholarships, etc. Additionally, any change in enrollment can affect scheduling. A student changing campuses and/or programs may not be able to attend a full schedule of classes each term due to availability and pre-requisite requirements.

### **Maximum Transferable Credits**

- Students may transfer a maximum of 50% of the total required instruction for their program.
- This includes transfer credits from prior institutions, certifications, work experience, and military training.
- This policy applies to all credit and clock hour programs at DSDT.

### **Transfer Of Credit and Clock Hours From An Outside Institution**

Students accepted for enrollment into DSDT will be allowed to transfer credits and/or hours earned from other accredited institutions recognized by the United States Department of Education only, as outlined herein:

1. The student is required to provide an official transcript outlining credits and/or clock hours earned from institutions accredited by agencies recognized by the U.S Department of Education or a state or federal approving agency and course descriptions from the outside institution(s).
2. For all programs, the student must have earned at least a grade of “C” (70%, 2.0) for each course accepted for transfer credits and/or hours. Credits earned within the past 10 years are preferred for relevance.
3. The transfer of credit process must be completed prior to the student starting their program of study at DSDT College.
4. The course must have had curriculum and units of measurement similar to those in DSDT’s student handbook for the corresponding course.
5. The student may transfer up to 50% of the program’s credits/hours; exceptions may be made to this policy for students transferring from schools closing in the last twelve months as approved by the main campus School Director.
6. Transfer of credits is determined and approved on a case-by-case basis by the Director of Admissions at the main campus.

For students meeting these criteria, credits will be reflected in the student’s academic record as a transfer credit “TC” but will not count towards a student’s cumulative grade point average. Transfer credits will count as credits attempted and credits earned in the calculation of maximum time frame as part of satisfactory academic progress determination. Tuition will be adjusted by an amount equal to the cost of the course(s)/hours.

## **Other Forms of Transfer Credit Assessed For Credit/Clock Hours**

### **Certifications & Licenses:**

- Must be industry-recognized and directly relevant to the program.
- Requires official documentation for verification.

### **Work Experience:**

- Must align with program learning outcomes.
- Requires employer verification and detailed documentation.

### **Military Training:**

- Evaluated based on **Joint Services Transcript (JST)** or equivalent documentation.

### **Portfolio Assessment:**

- Students may submit a portfolio demonstrating prior learning for faculty review.

### **Transfer Of Credits/Hours to Other Institutions**

Programs at DSDT are designed to prepare graduates for the best possible career opportunities in each student's field of choice, without determination of transferability of credit earned. Transfer, recognition, or acceptance of academic credits or hours between institutions is always at the discretion of the receiving institution.

Therefore, DSDT does not promise or guarantee the transfer, recognition, or acceptance of any academic credits or hours earned at DSDT to other educational institutions. It is the responsibility of the student to contact any other postsecondary institution where the student may be considering enrolling upon graduation from DSDT.



## **SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) must be maintained to meet both the institution’s academic policy and for eligibility of Federal Title IV. Both academic and pace of completion requirements are assessed at the end of each academic period.

DSDT define an academic period as:

<b>Credit Hour Programs:</b>	<b>Clock Hour Programs:</b>
1 credit hour= 45 clock hours of lecture and 30 clock hours of laboratory work	Defined as the academic evaluation periods below.

### **Academic Requirements**

Academic requirements are evaluated using each student’s cumulative grade point average (CGPA) calculated using all grades earned in courses that apply to the student’s current program of study. Cumulative grade point averages are reviewed at evaluation points using the cumulative GPA and Attendance rate.

### **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.

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

<b>A</b>	100%-90%	4.0	Exceeds Standards
<b>B</b>	89%-80%	3.0	Meets Standards
<b>C</b>	79%-70%	2.0	Minimum Standards
<b>D</b>	69%-60%	1.0	Unacceptable Standards
<b>F</b>	59%- 0%	0.0	Failure

### **Attendance Policy for Clock Hour Program**

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. 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 re-enrollment at the discretion of the Director of Administration and/or respective School Director.

**Example Attendance for a clock hour program:** A student is scheduled to attend 22 hrs. per week (67% x 22= 15 clock hours)

**Clock Hour Program Evaluation Points**

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:

<b>Diploma Program</b>	<b>Evaluation Period (clock hours)</b>
Digital Marketing Professional	Academic Year 1- 300 &600 (actual hours attended)
Business Information Technology Specialist	Academic Year 1- 300 &600 (actual hours attended)
Medical Assistant	Academic Year 1- 300 &760 (actual hours attended)
Machine Learning Specialist	Academic Year 1- 300 &600 (actual hours attended)

For all certification programs satisfactory programs are evaluated as followed:

<b>Certification Program</b>	<b>Clock Hour Interval</b>
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)

### SAP Table for Credit Hour Program

<b>64 Credit Hour Information Technology Associate Degree Program</b>				
Total Credits Attempted	SAP Advising if CGPA is Below	SAP Not Met if CGPA is Below	SAP Advising if Rate of Progress is Below	SAP Not Met if Rate of Progress is Below
1-12	2.0	N/A	67%	N/A
13-24	2.0	1.5	67%	50%
25-36	2.0	2.0	67%	60%
37-48	2.0	2.0	67%	67%
49-64	2.0	2.0	67%	67%

#### Maximum Timeframe- Pace of Completion

The maximum time frame for completion of any program is limited by federal regulation to 150% of the published length of the program. A student is not allowed to attempt more than 1.5 times or 150% of the clock or credit hours in the standard length of the program to complete the requirements for graduation.

All students on federal financial aid must be admitted into an eligible program of study. A student is eligible to attempt a maximum of 150% of the allowable credit hours required to complete his/her program of study. Example: If an Associate of Science degree requires 60 credit hours to complete the program, a student is allowed 150% or 90 attempted credit hours in which to complete that program. This includes any credits in which the student was or was not paid federal student aid. Developmental and transfer credits are also included in the calculation.

If a student has completed less than the maximum number of allowable credit hours in the program of study, he/she may receive aid for one more term even if the total hours exceed the limit.

Attempted credit hours includes all hours the student has enrolled in — including all credits which receive a grade above a “D-“, F and WF grades, repeated classes, withdrawals, pass/fail classes, audited classes, CLEP credit, advanced placement credit, transfer credits, and classes from which the student has tested out.

#### Credit Hour Program

The following chart outlines the maximum number of credits that can be attempted by length of program.

Length of Program in Credits	Maximum Time Frame in Credits Attempted
24	36
36	54
48	72
64	90

#### Clock Hour Programs

Progress is evaluated for every student at specific points as listed in the chart below. Attendance is based on 67% (66.5% or higher is rounded to 67%) of actual attendance evaluated against scheduled hours. If attendance is 67% or greater, then the student is progressing at a pace to ensure completion within the maximum timeframe.

Program	Maximum Time Allowed
	Weeks
Digital Marketing Professional Diploma (600 clock hours)	41
Business Information Technology Specialist (600 clock hours)	41
Medical Assistant (760 clock hours)	57
Machine Learning Specialist (600 clock hours)	41
Full Stack Developer (320 clock hours)	22
Technology Professional 6 (240 clock hours)	17
Technology Professional 2 (80 clock hours)	6
AI Prompt Specialist (80 clock hours)	6

\*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 documentation pertaining to the appeal will be retained in the student's academic file. The appeal and decision 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 parking lot
- Theft from students, or of school property, or supplies
- Willful destruction of school property
- Insubordination
- Loud, boisterous behavior or foul language

### **Degrees, Diplomas and Certifications of Completions**

Upon satisfactory completion of the required course hours/credits and course requirements, a degree, diploma or Certification of Completion will be issued to the student. The institution may withhold official academic transcripts and degrees/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) and 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.

### **For Texas Branch Location Only:**

*\*Incomplete:* An "I" for Incomplete is assigned when all the work of a subject class cannot be completed due to circumstances beyond the control of the student. The student may complete the work by the end of the term, or the student can notify the school registrar for readmission for one opportunity to complete the work in a subsequent term beginning no later than 12 calendar months after the end of the term in which the student was assigned the "I". There will be no additional administrative or tuition fees charged for students who exercise this option; however, there may be additional fees for books, supplies, and/or tool kit.

*\*\*Withdrawal:* Under Texas Education Code §132.061(f), a student who is obligated for the full tuition and is withdrawing for an appropriate reason unrelated to the student's academic status may request a grade of "I" for incomplete. A "W" for Withdrawal indicates that the student officially withdrew or was administratively withdrawn from the subject class. A student with a grade of "W" cannot complete the course of study and will be issued a refund in accordance with the refund policy below.

### **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**

DSDT is committed to recognizing and awarding transfer credits to students who have previously earned credits from accredited institutions or through recognized certifications. The transfer credit policy is designed to ensure that students receive appropriate credit for their prior learning and experiences, thereby facilitating a more efficient and cost-effective educational journey. In accordance with accreditation standards, students at DSDT College Inc. may transfer a maximum of 50% of the total credits required for their Associate Degree program. This ensures that the majority of the education is provided by DSDT, maintaining the integrity and coherence of the program. All transfer credit evaluations are conducted with the goal of maintaining academic integrity and upholding the high standards of DSDT's educational programs. Please see the full transfer credit policy for more information.

### **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 main location 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.

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**Student Signature**

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**Date**

## Program Calendar Dates 2025-2027

### Technology Professional 2 - 2025 – 2027 Calendar

2025/26 Start and End Dates	2026/27 Start and End Dates
Jan 6- Jan 31 2025	Jan 5- Jan 30 2026
Feb 3- Feb 28 2025	Feb 2- Feb 27 2026
Mar 3- Mar 28 2025	Mar 2- Mar 27 2026
Mar 31- Apr 25 2025	Mar 30- Apr 24 2026
Apr 28- May 23 2025	Apr 27- May 22 2026
May 27- Jun 20 2025	May 26- Jun 18 2026
Jun 23- Jul 18 2025	Jun 22- Jul 17 2026
July 21- Aug 15 2025	July 20- Aug 14 2026
Aug 18- Sep 12 2025	Aug 17- Sep 11 2026
Sep 15- Oct 10 2025	Sep 14- Oct 9 2026
Oct 13- Nov 7 2025	Oct 13- Nov 6 2026
Nov 10- Dec 5 2025	Nov 9- Dec 4 2026
Dec 8- Jan 2 2026	Dec 7- Dec 31 2026

### AI Prompt Specialist - 2025 – 2027 Calendar

2025/26 Start and End Dates	2026/27 Start and End Dates
Jan 6- Jan 31 2025	Jan 5- Jan 30 2026
Feb 3- Feb 28 2025	Feb 2- Feb 27 2026
Mar 3- Mar 28 2025	Mar 2- Mar 27 2026
Mar 31- Apr 25 2025	Mar 30- Apr 24 2026
Apr 28- May 23 2025	Apr 27- May 22 2026
May 27- Jun 20 2025	May 26- Jun 18 2026
Jun 23- Jul 18 2025	Jun 22- Jul 17 2026
July 21- Aug 15 2025	July 20- Aug 14 2026
Aug 18- Sep 12 2025	Aug 17- Sep 11 2026
Sep 15- Oct 10 2025	Sep 14- Oct 9 2026
Oct 13- Nov 7 2025	Oct 13- Nov 6 2026
Nov 10- Dec 5 2025	Nov 9- Dec 4 2026
Dec 8- Jan 2 2026	Dec 7- Dec 31 2026



## Digital Marketing Professional - 2025 – 2027 Calendar

2025/26 Start and End Dates	2026/27 Start and End Dates
Jan 6- Jul 18 2025	Jan 5- Jul 17 2026
Feb 3- Aug 15 2025	Feb 2- Aug 14 2026
Mar 3- Sep 12 2025	Mar 2- Sep 11 2026
Mar 31- Oct 10 2025	Mar 30- Oct 9 2026
Apr 28- Nov 7 2025	Apr 27- Nov 6 2026
May 27- Dec 5 2025	May 26- Dec 4 2026
Jun 23- Jan 2 2026	Jun 22- Dec 31 2026
July 21- Jan 30 2026	July 20- Jan 29 2027
Aug 18- Feb 27 2026	Aug 17- Feb 26 2027
Sep 15- March 27 2026	Sep 14- March 26 2027
Oct 13- April 24 2026	Oct 13- April 23 2027
Nov 10- May 22 2026	Nov 9- May 21 2027
Dec 8- Jun 19 2026	Dec 7- Jun 18 2027

## Business Information Technology Specialist – 2025 – 2027 Calendar

2025/26 Start and End Dates	2026/27 Start and End Dates
Jan 6- Jul 18 2025	Jan 5- Jul 17 2026
Feb 3- Aug 15 2025	Feb 2- Aug 14 2026
Mar 3- Sep 12 2025	Mar 2- Sep 11 2026
Mar 31- Oct 10 2025	Mar 30- Oct 9 2026
Apr 28- Nov 7 2025	Apr 27- Nov 6 2026
May 27- Dec 5 2025	May 26- Dec 4 2026
Jun 23- Jan 2 2026	Jun 22- Dec 31 2026
July 21- Jan 30 2026	July 20- Jan 29 2027
Aug 18- Feb 27 2026	Aug 17- Feb 26 2027
Sep 15- March 27 2026	Sep 14- March 26 2027
Oct 13- April 24 2026	Oct 13- April 23 2027
Nov 10- May 22 2026	Nov 9- May 21 2027
Dec 8- Jun 19 2026	Dec 7- Jun 18 2027

## Technology Professional 6 – 2025 - 2027 Calendar

2025/26 Start and End Dates	2026/27 Start and End Dates
Jan 6- Mar 28 2025	Jan 5- Mar 27 2026
Feb 3- Apr 25 2025	Feb 2- Apr 24 2026
Mar 3- May 23 2025	Mar 2- May 22 2026
Mar 31- Jun 20 2025	Mar 30- Jun 18 2026
Apr 28- Jul 18 2025	Apr 27- Jul 17 2026
May 27- Aug 15 2025	May 26- Aug 14 2026
Jun 23- Sep 12 2025	Jun 22- Sep 11 2026
July 21- Oct 10 2025	July 20- Oct 9 2026
Aug 18- Nov 7 2025	Aug 17- Nov 6 2026
Sep 15- Dec 5 2025	Sep 14- Dec 4 2026
Oct 13- Jan 2 2026	Oct 13- Dec 31 2026
Nov 10- Jan 30 2026	Nov 9- Jan 29 2027
Dec 8- Feb 27 2026	Dec 7- Feb 26 2027

## Machine Learning Specialist – 2025 – 2027 Calendar

2025/26 Start and End Dates	2026/27 Start and End Dates
Jan 6- Jul 18 2025	Jan 5- Jul 17 2026
Feb 3- Aug 15 2025	Feb 2- Aug 14 2026
Mar 3- Sep 12 2025	Mar 2- Sep 11 2026
Mar 31- Oct 10 2025	Mar 30- Oct 9 2026
Apr 28- Nov 7 2025	Apr 27- Nov 6 2026
May 27- Dec 5 2025	May 26- Dec 4 2026
Jun 23- Jan 2 2026	Jun 22- Dec 31 2026
July 21- Jan 30 2026	July 20- Jan 29 2027
Aug 18- Feb 27 2026	Aug 17- Feb 26 2027
Sep 15- March 27 2026	Sep 14- March 26 2027
Oct 13- April 24 2026	Oct 13- April 23 2027
Nov 10- May 22 2026	Nov 9- May 21 2027
Dec 8- Jun 19 2026	Dec 7- Jun 18 2027

## Full Stack Developer – 2025 - 2027 Calendar

2025/26 Start and End Dates	2026/27 Start and End Dates
Jan 6- Apr 25 2025	Jan 5- Apr 24 2026
Feb 3- May 23 2025	Feb 2- May 22 2026
Mar 3- Jun 20 2025	Mar 2- Jun 18 2026
Mar 31- Jul 18 2025	Mar 30- Jul 17 2026
Apr 28- Aug 15 2025	Apr 27- Aug 14 2026
May 27- Sep 12 2025	May 26- Sep 11 2026
Jun 23- Oct 10 2025	Jun 22- Oct 9 2026
July 21- Nov 7 2025	July 20- Nov 6 2026
Aug 18- Dec 5 2025	Aug 17- Dec 4 2026
Sep 15- Jan 2 2026	Sep 14- Dec 31 2026
Oct 13- Jan 30 2026	Oct 13- Jan 29 2027
Nov 10- Feb 27 2026	Nov 9- Feb 26 2027
Dec 8- Mar 27 2026	Dec 7- Mar 26 2027

## Medical Assistant – 2025 - 2027 Calendar

2025/26 Start and End Dates	2026/27 Start and End Dates
Jan 6- Sep 12 2025	Jan 5- Sep 11 2026
Feb 3- Oct 10 2025	Feb 2- Oct 9 2026
Mar 3- Nov 7 2025	Mar 2- Nov 6 2026
Mar 31- Dec 5 2025	Mar 30- Dec 4 2026
Apr 28- Jan 2 2026	Apr 27- Dec 31 2026
May 27- Jan 30 2026	May 26- Jan 29 2027
Jun 23- Feb 27 2026	Jun 22- Feb 26 2027
July 2- Mar 27 2026	July 20- Mar 26 2027
Aug 18- Apr 24 2026	Aug 17- Apr 23 2027
Sep 15- May 22 2026	Sep 14- May 21 2027
Oct 13- Jun 19 2026	Oct 13- Jun 18 2027
Nov 10- Jul 17 2026	Nov 9- Jul 16 2027
Dec 8- Aug 14 2026	Dec 7- Aug 13 2027

## ASSOCIATE DEGREE SCHEDULE

### Winter 2025

December 30th, 2024 - January 3rd 2025	Registration open for WI25 Semester
January 6th, 2025	Semester Courses Begin
January 20th, 2025	Martin Luther King Jr. Day   College Closed
March 1st - March 9th, 2025	Spring Break   College Closed
May 2nd, 2025	Last day of Winter Semester

### Summer 2025

April 14th, 2025 - May 7th, 2025	Registration open for SU25 Semester
May 12th, 2025	Semester Courses Begin
July 4th, 2025	Independence Day   College Closed
August 22nd, 2025	Last day of Summer Semester

### Fall 2025

August 4th, 2025 - August 28th, 2025	Registration open for FA25 Semester
September 1st, 2025	Semester Courses Begin
November 22 <sup>nd</sup> – November 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	Thanksgiving Break   College Closed
December 19th, 2025	Last day of Fall Semester
December 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2025 – January 4 <sup>th</sup> 2026	Winter Break

### Winter 2026

December 8 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> 2025	Registration open for WI26
January 5 <sup>th</sup> 2026	Winter Semester begins
January 19 <sup>th</sup> 2026	Martin Luther King Day – School Closed
February 28 <sup>th</sup> – March 8 <sup>th</sup> 2026	Spring Break
May 1 <sup>st</sup> 2026	Last day of Winter Semester 2026

### Summer 2026

April 13 <sup>th</sup> 2026 – May 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2026	Registration open for SU26
May 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2026	Summer Semester begins
July 4th, 2026	Independence Day   College Closed
August 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2026	Last day of Summer Semester 2026

### Fall 2026

August 3 <sup>rd</sup> , - August 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2026	Registration open for FA26
August 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2026	Fall Semester begins
November 21 <sup>st</sup> , - November 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2026	Thanksgiving Break
December 18 <sup>th</sup> 2026	Last day of Fall Semester 2026

## CAMPUS PROGRAM OFFERINGS

### **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.

### **Machine Learning Specialist Professional Diploma Program**

**600 Clock Hours**

**4.5 Total courses**

#### **Course Description:**

The Machine Learning Specialist 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 Learning 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 Medical 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 I, Medical Assistant II, Medical Assistant III, 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 Development 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.

**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.

**Associate of Applied Science in Information Technology Degree Program**  
**1,140 Clock Hours or 64 Semester Credit Hours**  
**16 Required Courses**

**Program Description:**

The Associate of Applied Science in Information Technology program at DSDT is designed to equip students with the foundational skills and knowledge required for successful careers in the ever-evolving field of information technology. This comprehensive program blends theoretical learning with practical application, ensuring that graduates are well-prepared to tackle the challenges and opportunities presented by modern technology landscapes.

**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.

## TUITION AND FEES

### Medical Assistant

Total Program Cost: \$21,995.00

1. Tuition: \$21,688.88
2. Mandatory Fees: \$306.12
  - Instructional Platforms: \$211.12
    - Campus Cafe School Information System: Manages student records, enrollment, class schedules, billing, and communication.
    - Canvas Learning Management System: Facilitates course delivery, assignments, quizzes, and class discussions.
    - Cengage Unlimited: Provides access to virtual labs, simulation labs, assignments, quizzes, discussions, videos, study materials, and interactive textbooks.
  - Supplies: \$95.00
    - Uniforms (Scrubs): Required for practical training sessions.
    - Medical Equipment: Includes stethoscopes and blood pressure cuffs necessary for hands-on training.

### Payment Information

Students are required to pay the full program cost of \$21,995.00, which includes both tuition and mandatory fees. Payment plans and financial aid options are available. For more information, please contact the Financial Aid office.

### Digital Marketing Professional

Total Program Cost: \$17,995.00

1. Tuition: \$17,783.88
2. Mandatory Fees: \$211.12
  - Instructional Platforms: \$211.12
    - Campus Cafe School Information System: Manages student records, enrollment, class schedules, billing, and communication.
    - Canvas Learning Management System: Facilitates course delivery, assignments, quizzes, and class discussions.
    - Cengage Unlimited: Provides access to virtual labs, simulation labs, assignments, quizzes, discussions, videos, study materials, and interactive textbooks.

### Payment Information

Students are required to pay the full program cost of \$17,995.00, which includes both tuition and mandatory fees. Payment plans and financial aid options are available. For more information, please contact the Financial Aid office.

### Machine Learning Specialist

Total Program Cost: \$17,995.00

1. Tuition: \$17,783.88
2. Mandatory Fees: \$211.12
  - Instructional Platforms: \$211.12
    - Campus Cafe School Information System: Manages student records, enrollment, class schedules, billing, and communication.
    - Canvas Learning Management System: Facilitates course delivery, assignments, quizzes, and class discussions.
    - Cengage Unlimited: Provides access to virtual labs, simulation labs, assignments, quizzes, discussions, videos, study materials, and interactive textbooks.



### **Payment Information**

Students are required to pay the full program cost of \$17,995.00, which includes both tuition and mandatory fees. Payment plans and financial aid options are available. For more information, please contact the Financial Aid office.

### **Business Information Technology Specialist**

Total Program Cost: \$17,995.00

1. Tuition: \$17,783.88

2. Mandatory Fees: \$211.12

- Instructional Platforms: \$211.12
  - Campus Cafe School Information System: Manages student records, enrollment, class schedules, billing, and communication.
  - Canvas Learning Management System: Facilitates course delivery, assignments, quizzes, and class discussions.
  - Cengage Unlimited: Provides access to virtual labs, simulation labs, assignments, quizzes, discussions, videos, study materials, and interactive textbooks.

### **Payment Information**

Students are required to pay the full program cost of \$17,995.00, which includes both tuition and mandatory fees. Payment plans and financial aid options are available. For more information, please contact the Financial Aid office.

### **Technology Professional 2**

Total Program Cost: \$5,000.00

1. Tuition: \$4,848.03

2. Mandatory Fees: \$151.97

- Instructional Platforms: \$151.97
  - Campus Cafe School Information System: Manages student records, enrollment, class schedules, billing, and communication.
  - Canvas Learning Management System: Facilitates course delivery, assignments, quizzes, and class discussions.
  - Cengage Unlimited: Provides access to virtual labs, simulation labs, assignments, quizzes, discussions, videos, study materials, and interactive textbooks.

### **Payment Information**

Students are required to pay the full program cost of \$5,000.00, which includes both tuition and mandatory fees. Payment plans and financial aid options are available. For more information, please contact the Financial Aid office.

### **Technology Professional 6**

Total Program Cost: \$15,000.00

1. Tuition: \$14,829.83

2. Mandatory Fees: \$170.17

- Instructional Platforms: \$170.17
  - Campus Cafe School Information System: Manages student records, enrollment, class schedules, billing, and communication.
  - Canvas Learning Management System: Facilitates course delivery, assignments, quizzes, and class discussions.
  - Cengage Unlimited: Provides access to virtual labs, simulation labs, assignments, quizzes, discussions, videos, study materials, and interactive textbooks.

### **Payment Information**

Students are required to pay the full program cost of \$16,500.00, which includes both tuition and mandatory fees. Payment plans and financial aid options are available. For more information, please contact the Financial Aid office.

### **Full Stack Developer**

Total Program Cost: \$16,500.00

1. Tuition: \$16,320.73

2. Mandatory Fees: \$179.27

- Instructional Platforms: \$179.27
  - Campus Cafe School Information System: Manages student records, enrollment, class schedules, billing, and communication.
  - Canvas Learning Management System: Facilitates course delivery, assignments, quizzes, and class discussions.
  - Cengage Unlimited: Provides access to virtual labs, simulation labs, assignments, quizzes, discussions, videos, study materials, and interactive textbooks.

### **Payment Information**

Students are required to pay the full program cost of \$16,500.00, which includes both tuition and mandatory fees.

Payment plans and financial aid options are available. For more information, please contact the Financial Aid office.

### **AI Prompt Specialist**

Total Program Cost: \$5,000.00

1. Tuition: \$4,848.03

2. Mandatory Fees: \$151.97

- Instructional Platforms: \$151.97
  - Campus Cafe School Information System: Manages student records, enrollment, class schedules, billing, and communication.
  - Canvas Learning Management System: Facilitates course delivery, assignments, quizzes, and class discussions.
  - Cengage Unlimited: Provides access to virtual labs, simulation labs, assignments, quizzes, discussions, videos, study materials, and interactive textbooks.

### **Payment Information**

Students are required to pay the full program cost of \$5,000.00, which includes both tuition and mandatory fees. Payment plans and financial aid options are available. For more information, please contact the Financial Aid office.

### **Associate Degree of Applied Science in Information Technology**

Total Program Cost: \$20,640

1. Tuition: \$20,640

2. Mandatory Fees:

- Application Fees: \$25 upon enrollment
- Registration Fees: \$275.00 per semester
- Student Services Fees: \$90.00 per semester
- Technology Fees: \$235.88 per semester

### **Payment Information**

Students are required to pay the full program cost of \$20,640.00, which includes both tuition and mandatory fees.

Payment plans and financial aid options are available. For more information, please contact the Financial Aid office.



## PROGRAMS

### ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Associate of Applied Science in Information Technology program at DSDT is designed to equip students with the foundational skills and knowledge required for successful careers in the ever-evolving field of information technology. This comprehensive program blends theoretical learning with practical application, ensuring that graduates are well-prepared to tackle the challenges and opportunities presented by modern technology landscapes.

#### 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.

#### SUMMARY

The Associate of Applied Science in Information Technology introduces students to information technology concepts and principles in programming, data analytics, cybersecurity, and networking. Students learn the essential foundation of technical skills and modern languages necessary for additional skill building as they enter the IT field.

#### 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 degree program based on current industry/academic expectations. The Associate of Applied Science in Information Technology Degree Program will provide students with a roadmap to gainful employment upon successful completion of 64 semester credit hours.

#### 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 session

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

#### SOFTWARE

CompTIA, Canvas LMS, Microsoft Azure, Campus Café, Cengage

#### ATTENDANCE

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.



MODALITIES		Course Number	Course Title	Pre-Reqs	Theory / Lab / Extern Hours	Sem Cr Hours
Day	Night					
DL	DL	SPC-131	Digital Literacy and Society	None	60 / 0 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	PSY-131	Intro to Psychology	None	60 / 0 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	MATH-100	College Mathematics	None	60 / 0 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	ENG-131	Introduction to College Writing	None	60 / 0 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	CIS-130	Project Management in Information Technology	None	45 / 30 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	CIS-100	Principles of Information Systems	None	45 / 30 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	CIS-101	Networking Infrastructure	None	45 / 30 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	CIS-121	Python I	None	45 / 30 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	CIS-125	Python II	None	45 / 30 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	CIS-102	Information Security	None	45 / 30 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	CIS-103	Cybersecurity	None	45 / 30 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	CIS-106	Ethical Hacking	None	45 / 30 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	CIS-104	Linux Operating System Principles	None	45 / 30 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	CIS-105	Cloud System Infrastructure	None	45 / 30 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	CIS-107	Comprehensive Web Development	None	45 / 30 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	CIS-140	AI Fundamentals	None	45 / 30 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	CIS-141	Introduction to Data Science and AI	None	45 / 30 / 0	4.0 Credits
DL	DL	CIS-142	Machine Learning and AI Essentials	None	45 / 30 / 0	4.0 Credits
				Totals	780 / 360 / 0	64.0 Credits
Total Credit Hours: 64 Estimated Completion Time: 2 years or 6 semesters DL = Distance Learning; TL = Traditional Learning						



## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### **SPC-131 Digital Literacy and Society**

**4 Credit Hours: Theory 60 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

The "Digital Literacy and Society" course is structured to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the pervasive impact of digital technology on modern society. Beginning with an introduction to computer concepts, the course journeys through the multifaceted roles technology plays in our daily lives, emphasizing its significance in personal, professional, and civic domains. Students will explore the web's integral role, including e-commerce and online research, gain familiarity with computer hardware, operating systems, and file management to enhance productivity. The curriculum delves into the application and development of software and apps, underscoring the critical importance of security and safety in digital spaces. Modules on digital media, web development, and networking offer hands-on experiences in creating, managing, and connecting in the digital realm. The course also addresses contemporary topics such as cloud computing, e-commerce, artificial intelligence, and the vital role of databases in informed decision-making. Finally, students will engage with digital ethics, learning to navigate the digital world responsibly. Through lectures, interactive workshops, online research, and practical applications, students will develop a robust digital literacy foundation, preparing them for responsible participation and innovation in a technology-driven world.

### **PSY-131 Intro to Psychology**

**4 Credit Hours: Theory 60 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

This introductory psychology course explores the fascinating journey into the human mind, its functions, and its profound impact on behavior. Through a comprehensive curriculum that spans fourteen chapters, students will delve into the scientific study of psychology, examining both foundational concepts and applied aspects of the field. Starting with an exploration of psychology as a science, the course provides a solid foundation for understanding the methods and principles underlying psychological research.

### **MATH-100 College Mathematics**

**4 Credit Hours: Theory 60 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

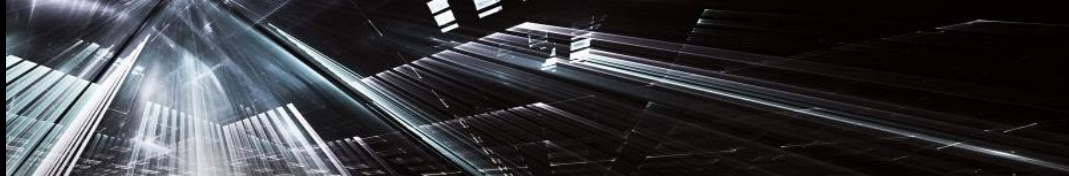
This dynamic "College Mathematics: Algebra and Beyond" course is expertly crafted to guide post-secondary students through an exploration of algebraic concepts and their applications. Throughout the semester, learners will delve into the intricacies of real numbers, exponents, equations, and inequalities, culminating in an examination of sequences, series, and probability. This course emphasizes the development of analytical skills, critical thinking, and problem-solving abilities that are essential for academic and professional success in various fields.

### **ENG-131 Introduction to College Writing**

**4 Credit Hours: Theory 60 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

The College Writing course is structured around The Essentials of Writing: Ten Core Concepts, designed to develop students' writing skills for academic, workplace, and personal contexts. This course emphasizes writing as a process of discovery, learning, and engagement with the world. Through exploring the ten core concepts for effective writing, students will enhance their ability to craft compelling, coherent, and contextually appropriate texts. The course includes practical applications of these concepts in various writing situations, from analytical writing to argument construction, and culminates in mastering research and citation practices, particularly MLA style.

**CIS-130 Project Management in Information Technology****4 Credit Hours: Theory 45 / Laboratory 30/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

This course is designed to equip students with the knowledge and skills necessary to manage information technology projects effectively. Covering foundational concepts to advanced practices, the curriculum integrates principles from the Project Management Institute (PMI) with specific challenges and opportunities found in IT project management. Through lectures, case studies, discussions, and hands-on activities, students will learn to navigate the complexities of managing IT projects, from inception through completion.

**CIS-100 Principles of Information Systems****4 Credit Hours: Theory 45 / Laboratory 30/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

This Principles of Information Systems course is meticulously designed to equip learners with the fundamental skills and knowledge required for a successful career in IT support and operations. Over four weeks, students will engage in an intensive exploration of computer hardware, operating systems, networking, mobile devices, security, and troubleshooting techniques. The curriculum is divided into 21 modules, each focusing on critical aspects of IT support, from assembling and disassembling computers to securing and troubleshooting networks and devices.

**CIS-101 Networking Infrastructure****4 Credit Hours: Theory 45 / Laboratory 30/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

The Networking Infrastructure course is designed to provide students with a thorough understanding of networking concepts and practices. Over the course of four weeks, participants will learn the fundamentals of network design, implementation, management, and security. The curriculum is structured to address the skills necessary for a networking professional, ensuring that students gain practical knowledge through virtual labs and hands-on exercises. The program concludes with a final exam to equip students for the official CompTIA Network+ certification exam.

**CIS-121 Python I****4 Credit Hours: Theory 45 / Laboratory 30/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

The Python Programming 1 Course at DSDT is designed for individuals interested in starting their journey in software development. This course offers a deep dive into Python programming fundamentals, covering topics from basic syntax and data structures to more complex concepts such as functions, modules, and file operations. Through a blend of lectures, simulation labs, and real-world scenarios, students will develop proficiency in writing Python code for various applications.

**CIS-125 Python II****4 Credit Hours: Theory 45 / Laboratory 30/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

Python Programming II at DSDT advances the skills acquired in Python 1, focusing on intermediate to advanced programming techniques. Students will explore object-oriented programming, web development with Python frameworks, and an introduction to data manipulation and analysis. The course combines theoretical knowledge with practical application, preparing students for professional programming tasks and projects.

**CIS-102 Information Security****4 Credit Hours: Theory 45 / Laboratory 30/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

The Information Security course is an expertly structured program aimed at equipping students with a thorough understanding of organizational security. Covering fundamental concepts through advanced security protocols, the curriculum is segmented into five pivotal parts, encompassing the essentials of security fundamentals, endpoint security, cryptography, network security, and enterprise security.

**CIS-103 Cybersecurity****4 Credit Hours: Theory 45 / Laboratory 30/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

This Cyber Security course prepares students to become proficient cybersecurity analysts, focusing on applying behavioral analytics to networks and devices to prevent, detect, and combat cybersecurity threats through continuous security monitoring. The course is divided into five comprehensive parts covering a broad spectrum of cybersecurity concepts from identifying vulnerabilities to incident response and compliance.

**CIS-106 Ethical Hacking****4 Credit Hours: Theory 45 / Laboratory 30/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

The Ethical Hacking Course at DSDT is tailored for IT professionals seeking to become proficient in penetration testing and vulnerability assessment. This course is ideal for those with some background in cybersecurity who aim to specialize in ethical hacking.

**CIS-104 Linux Operating System Principles****4 Credit Hours: Theory 45 / Laboratory 30/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

The Linux Operating System Principles course offers a comprehensive dive into the world of Linux, a powerful open-source operating system that powers a significant portion of the internet, corporate servers, and personal devices alike. Designed for both beginners and those with prior Linux experience, this course takes students on a journey through Linux's architecture, system operations, and management tasks.

**CIS-105 Cloud System Infrastructure****4 Credit Hours: Theory 45 / Laboratory 30/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

The Cloud System Infrastructure Course at DSDT is designed to provide students with the essential knowledge and skills required to excel in cloud computing environments. This course is suitable for IT professionals who are looking to specialize in cloud technologies and services.

**CIS-107 Comprehensive Web Development****4 Credit Hours: Theory 45 / Laboratory 30/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

This comprehensive course is designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills required to become proficient web developers. Throughout the 17-week course, students will learn how to design, develop, and deploy dynamic and responsive web applications using a variety of modern web technologies and frameworks.

**CIS-140 AI Fundamentals****4 Credit Hours: Theory 45 / Laboratory 30/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None****Elective**

Embark on the first step of a transformative journey into the realm of artificial intelligence with "AI Fundamentals," a course meticulously crafted for post-secondary students at the dawn of their AI exploration. Over the span of four weeks, students will immerse themselves in the multifaceted world of AI, starting from the ground up by understanding what AI is, its myriad applications, and the types of problems it can solve. This course serves as the cornerstone of a larger AI Certification Program, setting the stage for a deep and comprehensive understanding of the field. Students will learn to identify viable AI projects, articulate clear goals, and establish success metrics, ensuring a solid foundation for any AI endeavor they undertake.

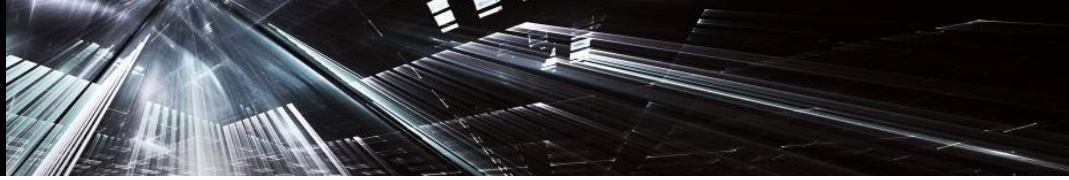
**CIS-141 Introduction to Data Science and AI****4 Credit Hours: Theory 45 / Laboratory 30/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None****Elective**

Dive into the foundational elements of AI with "Introduction to Data Science and AI" a comprehensive course tailored for post-secondary students at the outset of their tech careers. Over a focused four-week period, students will embark on a journey through the essential processes that form the backbone of artificial intelligence. The course kicks off with an exploration of data collection methods, equipping students with the knowledge to discern when to harness existing datasets and when to pioneer new ones. As the course progresses, learners will delve into the meticulous assessment of data quality, grappling with real-world challenges such as missing information and corrupt data. With hands-on activities and interactive workshops, students will not only learn the theory but also apply it, developing the critical skills necessary to ensure data integrity and reliability.

**CIS-142 Machine Learning and AI Essentials****4 Credit Hours: Theory 45 / Laboratory 30/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None****Elective**

The "Machine Learning & AI Essentials" course is designed to introduce post-secondary students to the foundational concepts, algorithms, and tools used in machine learning (ML) and artificial intelligence (AI). This course covers the spectrum from understanding data and its importance in AI, through various machine learning models, to deploying AI solutions in real-world applications. Through a blend of theoretical knowledge and hands-on practice, students will learn to design, implement, and assess ML models to solve diverse problems.





## DIPLOMA PROGRAMS

### BUSINESS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST

#### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Business Information Technology Specialist program is offered via traditional delivery and distance education delivery. 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 Certificate of Completion 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.

#### 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 Certificate of Completion 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.

#### 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 session

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



## 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.

MODALITIES		Course Number	Course Title	Pre-Reqs	Theory / Lab / Extern Hours	Sem Cr Hours
Day	Night					
DL/TL	DL/TL	CTA-101	CompTIA A+	None	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	CTN-102	CompTIA Net+	CTA-101	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	SYO-701	CompTIA Sec+	CTA-101, CTN-102	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	CS0-002	CompTIA CYSA+	CTA-101, CTN-102, SYO-701	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	SK0-005	CompTIA Linux+	CTA-101, CTN-102, SYO-701, CS0-002	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	CV0-003	CompTIA Cloud+	CTA-101, CTN-102, SYO-701, CS0-002, SK0-005	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	PT0-002	CompTIA Pentest+	CTA-101, CTN-102, SYO-701, CS0-002, SK0-005, PT0-002	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	HAS-201	IT Fundamentals/ Health and Safety with Job Skill Readiness	None	40 / 0 / 0	4.0 Qtr Hr
Totals					600 / 0 / 0	60.0 Qtr Hr
Total Clock Hours: 600 Estimated Completion Time: 30 weeks or 7.5 months DL = Distance Learning; TL = Traditional Learning						



## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### **CTA-101 CompTIA A+**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

This course equips students for the CompTIA A+ certification, delving into key areas such as computer hardware, operating systems, network principles, and problem-solving strategies. The program incorporates daily tasks, immersive virtual labs, and culminates with a final exam, all designed to thoroughly prepare students for the certification test.

### **CTN-102 CompTIA Network+**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

This course is aimed at equipping students with essential networking skills. Beginning with an exploration of fundamental networking concepts, the curriculum delves into intricate areas such as network infrastructure, network security, and network troubleshooting. Learners are exposed to a variety of real-world scenarios through virtual labs and practical assignments, enhancing their hands-on experience with network management tools and protocols. The course culminates in a comprehensive final exam, designed to prepare students for the official CompTIA Network+ certification exam. This program is a valuable steppingstone for anyone aspiring to advance in IT networking roles.

### **SYO-701 CompTIA Security+**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: CTA-101 or CTN-102**

This course prepares students for the CompTIA Security+ certification, a globally recognized credential in the field of IT security. The curriculum delves into critical areas including network security, compliance and operational security, threats and vulnerabilities, application, data, and host security, access control and identity management, and cryptography. Incorporating a mix of theoretical instruction, practical exercises, and simulation labs, the course culminates with a final exam, designed to fully prepare students for the Security+ certification test.

### **CS0-002 CompTIA CySA+**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: CTA-101 or CTN-102, SYO-601**

This course is aimed at equipping students with the critical knowledge and skills required to apply behavior analytics to networks and devices, effectively thwarting cybersecurity threats. The course dives into essential areas such as threat management, vulnerability management, cyber-incident response, and security architecture. With a balanced blend of theoretical concepts and hands-on practical exercises, the curriculum prepares students for the real-world challenges of cybersecurity. Each week is focused on distinct topics, culminating in a comprehensive final exam designed to ensure readiness for the official CompTIA CySA+ certification exam.

**SK0-005 CompTIA Linux+****80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: CTA-101 or CTN-102, SY0-601, CS0-002**

This course offers a comprehensive dive into the world of Linux, a powerful open-source operating system that powers a significant portion of the internet, corporate servers, and personal devices alike. Designed for both beginners and those with prior Linux experience, this course takes students on a journey through Linux's architecture, system operations, and management tasks. This course prepares students for the CompTIA Linux+ certification exam.

**CV0-003 CompTIA Cloud+****80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: CTA-101 or CTN-102, SY0-601, CS0-002, SK0-005**

This course provides a comprehensive understanding of cloud concepts and services. It begins with the fundamentals of cloud computing, followed by a deep dive into different cloud models and infrastructure. The course also delves into security, performance, and management aspects of the cloud, equipping students with necessary skills for troubleshooting and optimization. Through daily assignments, practical labs, and a final exam, this program prepares students for the CompTIA Cloud+ certification, fostering their proficiency in implementing and maintaining cloud technologies.

**PT0-002 CompTIA PenTEST+****80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: CTA-101 or CTN- 102, SY0-601, CS0-002, SK0-005, CV0-003**

This course primes students for the CompTIA Pentest+ certification, a sought-after credential in the field of cybersecurity. The course is structured to deliver in-depth knowledge about penetration testing, vulnerability assessment and management, and cybersecurity resilience, thereby enhancing students' proficiency in these key areas. Learners delve into vital topics such as planning and scoping, information gathering and vulnerability identification, attacks and exploits, penetration testing tools, and reporting and communication. The curriculum is designed to engage students in both theoretical lessons and practical exercises. This course ensures learners are thoroughly prepared for the CompTIA Pentest+ certification exam.

**HAS-201 Health and Safety / Job Readiness / IT Fundamentals****40 Total Hours: Theory 40 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

This course offers a comprehensive introduction to Health and Safety practices, Job Readiness, and IT Fundamentals. It emphasizes the crucial role of workplace safety, preparing students for job application and interview processes, and providing them with a foundational understanding of IT. The course blends theoretical knowledge with practical exercises, ensuring students are well-equipped to enter the modern workplace, particularly in IT-related roles. The curriculum is designed to foster skills that increase employability and readiness for the professional environment.



## DIGITAL MARKETING PROFESSIONAL

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Digital Marketing Professional program is offered via traditional delivery and distance education delivery. 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.

### 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 Certificate of Completion 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.

### 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

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



## 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.

MODALITIES		Course Number	Course Title	Pre-Req	Theory / Lab / Extern Hours	Sem Cr Hours
Day	Night					
DL/T L	DL/TL	GRD-101	Graphic Design	None	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/T L	DL/TL	WEB-101	Web Design	None	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/T L	DL/TL	DCC-101	Content Creation I	None	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/T L	DL/TL	DCC-102	Content Creation II	DCC-101	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/T L	DL/TL	MKT-101	Social Media Advertising I	None	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/T L	DL/TL	MKT-102	Social Media Advertising II	MKT-101	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/T L	DL/TL	CPY-101	Copywriting	None	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/T L	DL/TL	HAS-101	Health and Safety/ Job Readiness	None	40 / 0 / 0	4.0 Qtr Hr
Totals					600 / 0 / 0	60.0 Qtr Hr
Total Clock Hours: 600 Estimated Completion Time: 30 weeks or 7.5 months DL = Distance Learning; TL = Traditional Learning						



## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### **GRD-101 Graphic Design**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

This 4-week Graphic Design course is an intensive training program designed to introduce learners to the dynamic world of visual communication. Students will explore the fundamental principles of design, familiarize themselves with digital design tools, and harness creativity to produce compelling graphic materials.

### **WEB-101 Web Design**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

This course is a comprehensive four-week program designed to equip participants with the essential skills and knowledge to create visually appealing and functional websites. Throughout the course, students will dive into the principles of web design, explore industry-standard tools, and develop hands-on experience in designing and building websites from scratch.

### **DCC-101 Content Creation I**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

Content Creation I is a comprehensive four-week course designed to provide participants with the foundational skills and knowledge needed to create compelling and engaging content for various platforms. This course focuses on the essential elements of content creation, including storytelling, writing techniques, and content planning. Participants will learn how to captivate audiences, structure their content effectively, and develop a solid understanding of different content formats.

### **DCC-102 Content Creation II**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: Content Creation I**

Content Creation II is a comprehensive four-week course, building upon the foundations established in Content Creation I. This course focuses on advanced content creation strategies, optimization techniques, and content distribution. Participants will gain in-depth knowledge of SEO, audience engagement, multimedia content, and measuring content performance.

### **MKT-101 Social Media Advertising I**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

Social Media Advertising I is the first of a two comprehensive four-week courses designed to provide participants with a solid foundation in social media advertising. This course focuses on the fundamental principles of social media advertising, including ad formats, targeting options, and campaign planning. Participants will learn how to develop effective social media advertising strategies and optimize campaigns to reach their target audience effectively.

**MKT-102 Social Media Advertising II****80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: MKT-101**

Social Media Advertising II is the second of two four-week courses, building upon the foundations established in Social Media Advertising I. This course delves into advanced tactics and strategies for social media advertising, including retargeting, A/B testing, and measurement. Participants will gain in-depth knowledge of optimizing ad performance and leveraging data for campaign success.

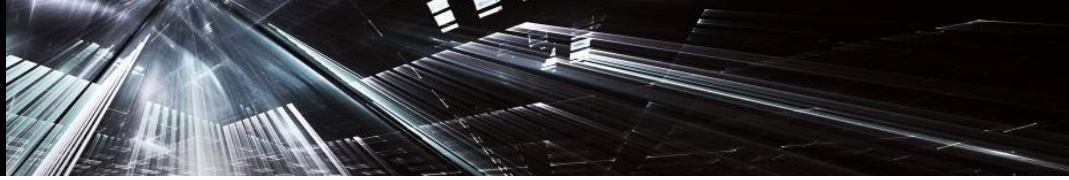
**CPY-101 Copywriting****80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

Copywriting is a comprehensive four-week course designed to equip participants with the essential skills and techniques needed to become proficient copywriters. This course focuses on the art and science of crafting compelling and persuasive content that engages and persuades target audiences. Participants will learn the principles of effective copywriting, explore different writing styles, and develop the ability to create impactful copy for various mediums.

**HAS-101 Health and Safety / Job Readiness****40 Total Hours: Theory 40 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

This course is an intensive two-week course designed to provide digital marketing professionals with essential knowledge and skills related to health and safety in the workplace and job readiness. Participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of health and safety regulations, best practices, and strategies to ensure a safe and healthy working environment. Additionally, they will develop the necessary skills and tools to enhance their job readiness, including professional communication, teamwork, and time management.





## MEDICAL ASSISTANT

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Medical Assistant program is offered via traditional delivery and hybrid delivery. 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.

### JOB TITLES

Infertility Medical 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 I, Medical Assistant II, Medical Assistant III, Medical Assistant Receptionist, and more.

### 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 Certificate of Completion 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.

### REQUIRED MATERIAL

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

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

### SOFTWARE

Cengage, Office 365, NHA

### 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.

MODALITIES		Course Number	Course Title	Pre-Reqs	Theory / Lab / Extern Hours	Sem Cr Hours
Day	Night					
HL/TL	HL/TL	MA-100	Introduction to Medical Assistant Basic Healthcare Knowledge	None	70 / 10 / 0	7.5 Qtr Hr
HL/TL	HL/TL	MA-101	Pharmacology & Administration of Medications	MA-100	40 / 40 / 0	6.0 Qtr Hr
HL/TL	HL/TL	MA-102	Introduction Computers and Electronic Medical Record	MA-100	70 / 10 / 0	7.5 Qtr Hr
HL/TL	HL/TL	MA-103	Clinical Procedures	MA-100	40 / 40 / 0	6.0 Qtr Hr
HL/TL	HL/TL	MA-104	Medical Office Management	MA-100	70 / 10 / 0	7.5 Qtr Hr
HL/TL	HL/TL	MA-105	Medical Lab I Procedure	MA-100	40 / 40 / 0	6.0 Qtr Hr
HL/TL	HL/TL	MA-106	Medical Lab II Procedures	MA-100	40 / 40 / 0	6.0 Qtr Hr
HL/TL	HL/TL	HAS-201	Health and Safety and Job Readiness Training	None	40 / 0 / 0	3.0 Qtr Hr
HL/TL	HL/TL	MA-107	Externship	MA-100	0 / 0 / 160	5.0 Qtr Hr
Totals					410 / 190 / 160	54.5 Qtr Hr
Total Clock Hours: 760						
Estimated Completion Time: 38 weeks or 9.5 months						
HL = Hybrid Learning; TL = Traditional Learning						



## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### **MA100- Intro. to Medical Assistant and Healthcare/Med Terminology**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

This course is designed to provide fundamental knowledge for students who are entering the Medical Assistant program including the Medical Terminology utilized to become successful in the career. Instruction covers basic Medical Terminology including but not limited to learning Medical Terms and anatomic descriptors and fundamental body structure. This course will introduce the student to best practices in job duties of a Medical Assistant and a brief introduction to legal and ethical standards in a variety of medical settings. Instruction emphasizes professionalism, healthcare system, and working in a healthcare team.

### **MA101- Pharmacology**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 70 / Laboratory 10/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: MA 100**

This course is a basic introduction to pharmacology for Medical Assistants. The course includes the history of drugs, sources, classifications, drug references, prescriptions and commonly used alternative therapies. Mathematical principals utilized to make dosage calculations as well as the basics of metric conversions, and the formula method of dosage calculation. Instruction encompasses the utilization of equipment, safety precautions, proper techniques, and charting procedures of medication administration. The skills include techniques of administrating medications by various routes. Introduction to basic nutrition and its relationship to disease/healing processes.

### **MA-102 Intro to Computers and Electronic Health Records**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 60 / Laboratory 20/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: MA 100**

This course provides the student with an intensive introduction to computers and Practice Management/Electronic Healthcare Records. The basics of hardware and software including MS Windows, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, MS Outlook and Practice Management software are covered to provide the student with fundamental understanding of the way computers operate and the many uses for computers in a medical setting. This course entails fundamental computer skills and operation of Electronic Health Records in a healthcare setting.

### **MA-103 Clinical Procedures**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 20 / Laboratory 60/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: MA 100**

The focus of this course is to provide instruction and practice in clinical procedures and skills required to assist the physician during medical examinations. The course prepares students to perform best practices with relation to infection control, sterile technique, disinfection and requirements of OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens. In addition to infection control students learn skills concepts of vital signs, how to assist the physician in minor office surgery including but not limited to setting up a sterile field for surgery and assisting the physician during a physical exam for adults and children.

**MA-104 Medical Office Management****80 Total Hours: Theory 70 / Laboratory 10/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: MA 100**

This course instructs students with relation to skills required to successfully perform duties in a medical office setting. Instruction consists of front office procedures in communication, clerical, insurance eligibility/preauthorization/ precertification, basic billing and coding and communications delivery including systems used in a medical office. Fundamental ethics, law and HIPAA regulations are included in the course.

**MA-105 Med Lab I****80 Total Hours: Theory 40 / Laboratory 40/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: MA 100**

During this course students experience lecture and laboratory activities that prepare them to perform urinalysis, ECG procedure, diagnostic testing and assist the physician with a prenatal and gynecologic exam.

**MA-106 Med Lab II****80 Total Hours: Theory 40 / Laboratory 40/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: MA 100**

This course prepares the student to understand the clinical laboratory, learn phlebotomy procedures, understand microbiology, infectious diseases, and perform CPR and first aid procedures. Students will be provided the opportunity to practice the skills learned in this course in a laboratory setting.

**HAS-201 Health and Safety / Job Readiness****40 Total Hours: Theory 40 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

This course is an intensive two-week course designed to provide medical assistant professionals with essential knowledge and skills related to health and safety in the workplace and job readiness. Participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of health and safety regulations, best practices, and strategies to ensure a safe and healthy working environment. Additionally, they will develop the necessary skills and tools to enhance their job readiness, including professional communication, teamwork, and time management.

**MA-107 Medical Assistant Extern****80 Total Hours: Theory 0 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 200****Prerequisite: MA 100**

Students will experience 160 hours of preceptor clinical experience in a variety of health care facilities and complete exercises dedicated to Medical Assistant exam certification review and resume building/job placement. This will provide the student the opportunity to put into practice of the medical assistant principals, theories and skills learned in the classroom.



## MACHINE LEARNING SPECIALIST

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Machine Learning Specialist program is offered via traditional delivery and distance education delivery. The Machine Learning Specialist 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 Learning 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.

### SUMMARY

The Machine Learning Specialist 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 Certificate of Completion program based on current industry/academic expectations. The Machine Learning Specialist Program will provide students with a roadmap to gainful employment by instruction in 4.5 courses and practical hands-on experience with a capstone project.

### 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

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

### 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.

MODALITIES		Course Number	Course Title	Pre-Reqs	Theory / Lab / Extern Hours	Sem Cr Hours
Day	Night					
DL/TL	DL/TL	MLS-100	Introduction to Computer Programming	None	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	MLS -101	Introduction to Machine Learning	MLS- 100	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	MLS -102	Deep Learning Foundations	MLS-100, MLS-101	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	MLS -103	Data Engineering, Deployment, & Management	MLS-100, MLS-101, MLS-102	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	HAS-103	Health & Safety / Job Readiness MLS	None	40 / 0 / 0	4.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	MLS -104	Capstone Project	MLS-100, MLS-101, MLS-102, MLS-103	240 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
Totals					600 / 0 / 0	44.0 Qtr Hr
Total Clock Hours: 600 Estimated Completion Time: 30 weeks or 7.5 months DL = Distance Learning; TL = Traditional Learning						



## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### **MLS-100 Introduction to Computer Programming**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

This course is designed to provide students with a fundamental understanding of programming for writing scripts that are supplemental to artificial intelligence, and for understanding documentation that AI typically depends on. Over the course of four weeks, participants will learn the fundamentals of variables, datatypes, string syntax, conditional logic, data structures, functions, classes, composition, and inheritance. The curriculum is structured to address the skills necessary for a machine learning professional, ensuring that students gain practical knowledge through virtual labs and hands-on exercises. The program concludes with an externship to equip students for applied practice in a workplace environment.

### **MLS-101 Introduction to Machine Learning**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: MLS-100**

This course is designed to provide students with a fundamental understanding of AI, Machine Learning, and Data Analytics. Over the course of four weeks, participants will learn the fundamentals of traditional AI vs Machine Learning, including an in-depth look at specific types of machine learning and their implementation. The curriculum is structured to address the skills necessary for a machine learning professional, ensuring that students gain practical knowledge through virtual labs and hands-on exercises. The program concludes with an externship to equip students for applied practice in a workplace environment.

### **MLS-102 Deep Learning Foundations**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: MLS-100, MLS-101**

This course is designed to provide students with a thorough understanding of deep learning and natural language processing. Over the course of four weeks, participants will learn the fundamentals of neural network (deep learning) implementation, testing and tuning deep learning models, as well as the design process for natural language processing systems and conversational AI. The curriculum is structured to address the skills necessary for a machine learning professional, ensuring that students gain practical knowledge through virtual labs and hands-on exercises. The program concludes with an externship to equip students for applied practice in a workplace environment.

### **MLS-103 Data Engineering, Deployment, & Management**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: MLS-100, MLS-101, MLS-102**

This course is designed to provide students with an overview of data engineering, data analysis, data visualization, and machine learning model deployment. The curriculum is structured to address the skills necessary for a machine learning professional, ensuring that students gain practical knowledge through virtual labs and hands-on exercises. The program concludes with an externship to equip students for applied practice in a workplace environment.



**HAS-103 Job-Readiness, Soft Skills, and Health & Safety for Machine Learning Specialists**  
**40 Total Hours: Theory 40 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

The course focuses on job-readiness skills, professional soft skills, and health & safety practices. It ensures that students not only excel technically in their roles but also understand how to navigate the job market, maintain a professional work attitude, communicate effectively, and prioritize their health and safety in a workplace setting.

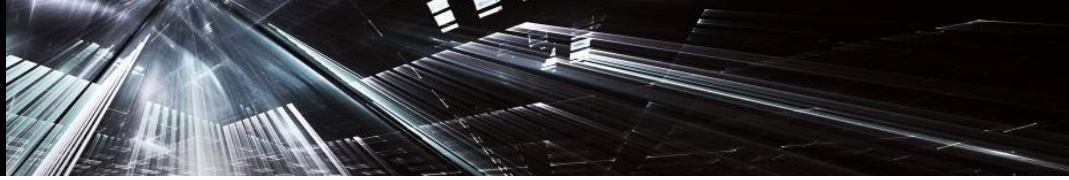
**MLS-104 Capstone Project**

**240 Total Hours: Theory 240 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: MLS-100, MLS-101, MLS-102, MLS-103, HAS-103**

The objective of this capstone project is to apply the knowledge and skills acquired throughout the course in a comprehensive project focused on Machine Learning using AI systems. The project will involve the development, deployment, and optimization of an integrated AI solution, showcasing proficiency in foundational programming, machine learning, deep learning, data engineering, visualization techniques.





## **CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION PROGRAMS**

### **AI PROMPT SPECIALIST**

#### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

The AI Prompt Specialist program is offered via traditional delivery and distance education delivery. 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.

#### **SUMMARY**

The AI Prompt Specialist program 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.

#### **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\***

#### **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.

MODALITIES		Course Number	Course Title	Pre-Reqs	Theory / Lab / Extern Hours	Sem Cr Hours
Day	Night					
DL/TL	DL/TL	APS-100	Advanced Techniques in AI Prompt Design	None	80/0/0	8.0 Qtr Hr
Totals					80/0/0	8.0 Qtr Hr
Total Clock Hours: 80 Estimated Completion Time: 4 weeks or 1 month DL = Distance Learning; TL = Traditional Learning						

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### APS-100 Advanced Techniques in AI Prompt Design

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

This course is a comprehensive exploration of advanced language models and AI technologies, tailored for aspiring AI professionals who aim to specialize in designing and optimizing AI prompts for various applications. Throughout the course, students will gain hands-on experience with ChaptGPT 4, Bard, BingAI, OpenAI Playground, Stable Defusion, and Midjourney, understanding how to leverage these technologies for generating high-quality text, creating engaging conversations, and refining prompts tailored to specific use cases.



## FULL STACK DEVELOPER

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Full Stack Developer program is offered via traditional delivery and distance education delivery. 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 Development Manager, Software Engineer, Application Developer, Web Developer, Full Stack Developer, Associate Software Engineer, and more.

### 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.

### 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\***

**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.

MODALITIES		Course Number	Course Title	Pre-Reqs	Theory / Lab / Extern Hours	Sem Cr Hours
Day	Night					
DL/TL	DL/TL	PYT-101	Python I	None	80/0/0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	PYT-102	Python II	Python I	80/0/0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	JAS-101	JavaScript I	None	80/0/0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	JAS-102	JavaScript II	JavaScript I	80/0/0	8.0 Qtr Hr
Totals					320/0/0	32.0 Qtr Hr
Total Clock Hours: 320 Estimated Completion Time: 16 weeks or 4 months DL = Distance Learning; TL = Traditional Learning						

**COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**JAS-101 JavaScript I**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: PYT-101, PYT-102**

Transitioning to front-end development, JavaScript I introduces students to JavaScript fundamentals. From basic syntax and data structures to DOM manipulation and event handling, students will learn how to create dynamic and interactive web content. The course also explores JavaScript libraries and frameworks, aiding students in creating user-friendly interfaces. By the end of JavaScript I, students will be capable of developing interactive web pages and simple single-page applications.

**JAS-102 JavaScript II**

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: PYT-101, PYT-102, JAS-101**

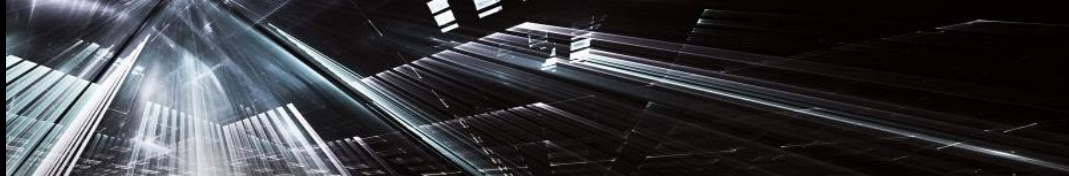
JavaScript II with React is the concluding course in our Full Stack Developer program. Over four weeks, this course delves into advanced JavaScript, focusing on Object- Oriented Programming (OOP) and the React library. Students will master OOP concepts in JavaScript, set up React projects, manage state and routing in React applications, and integrate external libraries and APIs. The course culminates with an exploration of advanced JavaScript and React topics, equipping students with the skills to build complex, dynamic web applications.

**PYT-101 Python I****80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: None**

This introductory course exposes you to the fundamental principles of Python programming. Focusing on the syntax, data types, and basic control flow constructs of Python, students will also get their first taste of problem-solving using this versatile language. By the end of Python I, students will have a firm understanding of Python basics, allowing them to create simple programs and set the stage for more complex applications in the following courses.

**PYT-102 Python II****80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0****Prerequisite: PYT-101**

This course builds upon the foundational skills established in Python I. This course delves deeper into advanced Python concepts, including object-oriented programming, file operations, and exception handling. Students will also start working with libraries and frameworks that enhance Python's functionality, enabling them to create more sophisticated applications. By the end of Python II, students will be well-versed in the use of Python for complex problem-solving, data manipulation, and web development.



## **TECHNOLOGY PROFESIONAL 2**

### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

The Technology Professional 2 program is offered via traditional delivery only. 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.

### **SUMMARY**

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

### **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.

### **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\***

### **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.



MODALITIES		Course Number	Course Title	Pre-Req	Theory / Lab / Extern Hours	Sem Cr Hours
Day	Night					
DL/TL	DL/TL	CTA-101	CompTIA A+	None	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
				Totals	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
Total Clock Hours: 80						
Estimated Completion Time: 4 weeks or 1 month						
DL = Distance Learning; TL = Traditional Learning						

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### CTA-101 CompTIA A+

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

This course equips students for the CompTIA A+ certification, delving into key areas such as computer hardware, operating systems, network principles, and problem-solving strategies. The program incorporates daily tasks, immersive virtual labs, and culminates with a final exam, all designed to thoroughly prepare students for the certification test.



## **TECHNOLOGY PROFESSIONAL 6**

### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

The Technology Professional 6 program is offered via traditional delivery and distance education delivery. 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.

### **SUMMARY**

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

### **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.

### **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\***

### **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.





MODALITIES		Course Number	Course Title	Pre-Reqs	Theory / Lab / Extern Hours	Sem Cr Hours
Day	Night					
DL/TL	DL/TL	CTN-102	CompTIA Net+	None	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	SYO-701	CompTIA Sec+	CTA-101 or CTN-102	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
DL/TL	DL/TL	CS0-002	CompTIA CYSA+	CTA-101 or CTN-102, SY0-601	80 / 0 / 0	8.0 Qtr Hr
Totals					240 / 0 / 0	24.0 Qtr Hr
Total Clock Hours: 240 Estimated Completion Time: 12 weeks or 3 months DL = Distance Learning; TL = Traditional Learning						

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### CTN-102 CompTIA Network+

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: None**

This course is aimed at equipping students with essential networking skills. Beginning with an exploration of fundamental networking concepts, the curriculum delves into intricate areas such as network infrastructure, network security, and network troubleshooting. Learners are exposed to a variety of real-world scenarios through virtual labs and practical assignments, enhancing their hands-on experience with network management tools and protocols. The course culminates in a comprehensive final exam, designed to prepare students for the official CompTIA Network+ certification exam. This program is a valuable steppingstone for anyone aspiring to advance in IT networking roles.

### SYO-701 CompTIA Security+

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: CTA-101 or CTN-102**

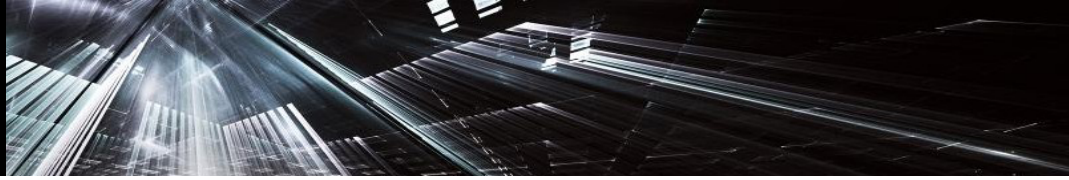
This course prepares students for the CompTIA Security+ certification, a globally recognized credential in the field of IT security. The curriculum delves into critical areas including network security, compliance and operational security, threats and vulnerabilities, application, data, and host security, access control and identity management, and cryptography. Incorporating a mix of theoretical instruction, practical exercises, and simulation labs, the course culminates with a final exam, designed to fully prepare students for the Security+ certification test.

### CS0-002 CompTIA CySA+

**80 Total Hours: Theory 80 / Laboratory 0/ Externship 0**

**Prerequisite: CTA-101 or CTN-102, SY0-601**

This course is aimed at equipping students with the critical knowledge and skills required to apply behavior analytics to networks and devices, effectively thwarting cybersecurity threats. The course dives into essential areas such as threat management, vulnerability management, cyber-incident response, and security architecture. With a balanced blend of theoretical concepts and hands-on practical exercises, the curriculum prepares students for the real-world challenges of cybersecurity. Each week is focused on distinct topics, culminating in a comprehensive final exam designed to ensure readiness for the official CompTIA CySA+ certification exam.



## **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 you 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 @ 888-688-4234 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 programs, student performance reports and completion requirements with clock hour tuition and instructional 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](http://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: [CSCL-Complaints@michigan.gov](mailto:CSCL-Complaints@michigan.gov)  
Website: [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/lara/Post-Secondary\\_Student\\_Complaints\\_498839\\_7.pdf](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.

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2. Please describe the nature of your complaint in full detail indicating what happened, when the event occurred and who was involved. If additional space is needed, use the reverse side.

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3. Indicate when and with whom you have already spoken regarding this grievance and what attempts have been made toward resolution.

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

4. Indicate what specific resolution you are seeking or recommending.

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\_\_\_\_\_

\*I hereby certify that the statements made pertaining to my complaint are truthful and accurate.

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**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:

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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.

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

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**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 End Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**LOA Begins:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LOA Ends: Revised Contract End Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**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: [helpdesk@dstd.edu](mailto:helpdesk@dstd.edu). 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.

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**Signature**

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**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 responding to 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:

- 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 that day. The 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**

Today's Date:

Incident Report (Indicate which campus)

DSDT Main Campus  
1759 W. 20<sup>th</sup> Street Detroit,  
MI  
48216

DSDT Branch Campus  
4301 E Stan Schlueter  
Loop Bldg #1  
Killeen, TX  
76542

Students, employees, and all visitors will use this form to report all 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 and correct hazards before they cause serious injuries. This form shall be completed by students as soon as possible and given to a school director/ instructor for further action.

I am reporting a work related:     Injury                             Illness                     Near Miss

Your Name:

Instructor/Supervisor:

Have you told your instructor/supervisor about this injury?                             Yes                     No

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?

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?

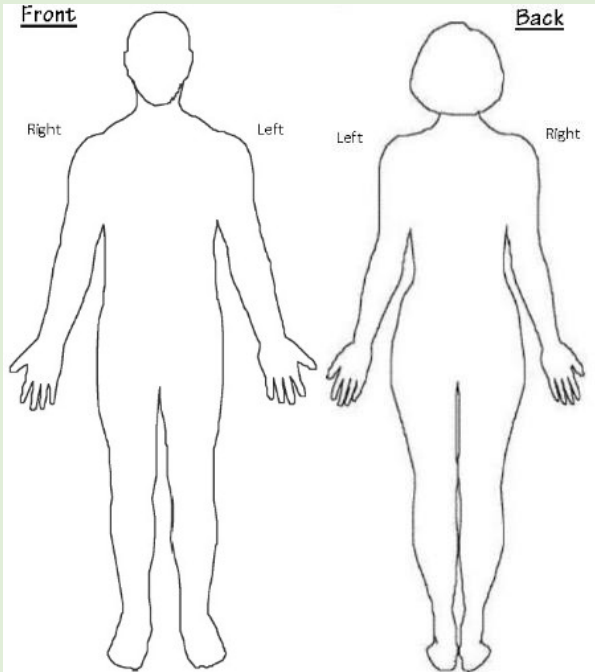
Did you see a doctor about this injury/near miss?  Yes  No

If yes, whom did you see?

Doctor's phone #:

Part of body affected:

Nature of the injury you're reporting:

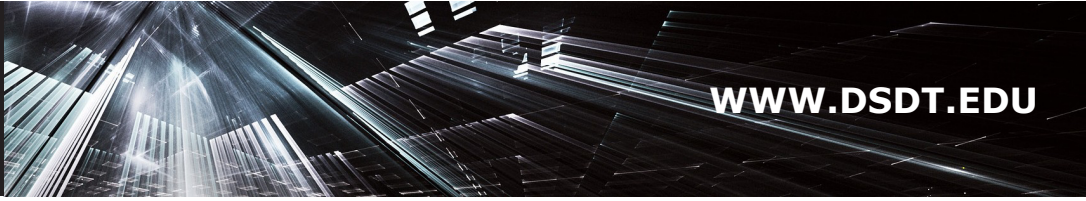


- Abrasion, scrapes
- Amputation
- Broken bone
- Bruise
- Burn (heat)
- Burn (chemical)
- Concussion (to the head)
- Crushing Injury
- Cut, laceration, puncture
- Illness
- Sprain, strain
- Other:

Written witness statement:

Number of attachments (photographs, hospital verification, drawings, etc.):





**Why did the incident happen?**

- Unguarded hazard
- 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

**Other:**

**What changes do you suggest preventing this incident/ near miss from happening again?**

- Stop this activity
- Redesign school area
- Train/ enforce policy

**Other:**

**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?**

## HEALTH SAFETY AND EVACUATION POLICY

**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 regular route.
- 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.)
- 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

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

**Student / Guest / Employee**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

## **VETERAN BENEFIT POLICY**

DSDT 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.**

DSDT will permit 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 U S Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Post 9/11, G I Bill® (Ch 33) or Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment (Ch 31) benefits ending on the earlier of the following dates:

1. The date on which the Department of Veterans Affairs provides payment for such course of education to such institution
2. 90 days after the date the institution certified tuition and fees following the receipt of the certificate of eligibility

**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 may submit a copy of their Joint Service Transcript (JST) and/or applicable documents to be considered eligible for prior credit.

**Attendance Policy:** In accordance with Title 38 US Code 3679 subsection (e) DSDT will not impose any penalty, including the assessment of late fees, the denial of access to classes, libraries, or their 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 of funding from the Department of Veterans Affairs. VA students are expected to attend all classes as designated in the enrollment agreement. If circumstances prevent attendance, prior notification is expected.

Attendance is charted daily and evaluated monthly. Attendance must not fall below 67% of scheduled class/floor time. If at an evaluation point a student's attendance falls below 67%, the student will be placed on probation and be counseled based on our probation policy. If, at the end of the probationary period, satisfactory attendance has not been regained, veteran education benefits will be terminated and face possible dismissal from the school. Students whose absences are excused (family emergency, medical, etc ), or result from authorized mitigating circumstances, as determined by the school administration, will continue to be certified for veteran education benefits.

Students whose veteran education benefits have been stopped for unsatisfactory attendance may be recertified only after regaining satisfactory attendance. Additionally, for VA students, any absence greater than 5 consecutive class days for any reason (illness, military orders, leave of absence, etc ) requires termination of veteran education benefits. Benefits will be restarted on re- enrollment. Re-admittance after termination for unsatisfactory attendance, requires reapplication for admission and scheduling an interview with the school administration.

**If a student is using Chapter 33 Veteran benefits, attendance is required to be in-person.**

**Academic Progress Policy:** 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 criteria 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.

**Financial Responsibility:** If you are not 100% eligible for Veteran benefits, you will be required to pay the remaining balance. If you decline Title IV funds, you will need to provide a signed statement that you will not be using them to cover the balance.

**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.

**Retention of Records:** 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.

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 <https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill>

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of Official                      Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name (Printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature                      Date

## **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 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.*

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**Student Signature**

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**Date**

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

**Combined Data Reported  
2023 Reported Data**  
Completion Rate: 89%  
Graduation Rate: 87%  
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**  
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)

**Machine Learning Specialist**  
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 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**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**



## STUDENT ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT

### SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Telephone:

E-mail Address:

### STUDENT INFORMATION

First Name:

Middle Initial:

Last Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Telephone:

DOB:

Social Security Number:

E-mail Address:

Education Level:

HS Grad year:

(GED, HS Diploma, Some College,  
Associates, Bachelors, Masters)

United States Veteran or Military Service Member: Yes No

### COURSE AND COURSE COST

Course Name:

Course Schedule:

Course Length:

Tuition: \$

Contact Hours:

Other Expenses (list separately): \$

Course Modality:

Books\*[IF APPLICABLE]: \$

Date the training is to begin:

Supplies\*: \$

Expected date of completion:

TOTAL COST:

\*Fee is estimated and based on current cost and subject to change.

### METHOD OF PAYMENT (CHECK ONE)

Financial Aid (  ) Veteran Affairs (  ) Cash (  ) Money Order (  ) Other (  )

No interest is charged.

Any holder of this consumer credit contract is subject to all claims and defenses which the debtor could assert against the seller of goods or services obtained pursuant here to or with the proceeds hereof. Recovery here under by the debtor shall not exceed the amounts paid by the debtor here under.



## EMERGENCY CONTACT FORM

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.

**Registration  
Fee:**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Books/Equipment:**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Financial Aid  
Payment:**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**MI Works  
Payment:**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Veteran Affairs  
Payment:**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Monthly Payment:**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Less Deposit:**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Balance Due:**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Tuition & Fees:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Curriculum Advisor Signature and Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature and Date:



## NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION CHECKLIST

**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**



## PRE-ENROLLMENT RECEIPT OF INFORMATION

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
- School's Graduation Rate
- School's Job Placement Rate
- Certification, Degree or Diploma Requirements
- Prerequisites for Employment
- Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**



## ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT CHECKLIST

- \_\_\_\_\_ 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**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**





## **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.

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**Student Name (Printed)**

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**Student Signature & Date**



## PRIOR EDUCATION CREDIT

- Step 1: Students submitted required documents to school official determine eligibility and declare an academic major.  
 Step 2: DSDT cannot guarantee credit received through conversion will be recognized by transfer institutions. Please verify transferability prior to applying for credit.

Chair/Coordinator:

All academic prior credits must be equivalent to those completed by Academic students.

**Acceptable Records:**

Joint Military Transcripts, College Transcripts, and Certificates/Diplomas.

Last Name	First Name	M.	Student ID
Program Title		Credits/Clock Hours	
Student (Signature)		DSDT School Official (Signature)	

Step 3. Student has submitted one or more of the required documents. Prior credit review and evaluation.

- Joint Military Transcript
- College Transcripts
- Certificates/Diplomas
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Step 4. Prior credit review and evaluation.

- Prior Credit Accepted
- Prior Credits Denied
- N/A

Department Use Only:

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\_\_\_\_\_

Date

\_\_\_\_\_

DSDT SCHOOL OFFICIAL

*Academic departments have the freedom to grant credit based on their individual departmental Prior Learning Credit policy. Please see the Prior Learning policy to obtain more information on each individual program's practice of accepting Prior Learning Credit.*



## PROGRESS REPORT

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

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

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE

**Scheduled Credits/Hours:** (Scheduled hours at date of report)

\_\_\_\_\_

**Actual Credits/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:

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**Instructor Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Date**



## REPORT CARD

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

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

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE

**Scheduled Credits/Hours:** (Scheduled hours at date of report)

\_\_\_\_\_

**Actual Credits/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:

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## 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)

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**Student Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

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**Instructor Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**



## 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 enrollment agreement?
- 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?



- Y N N/A      19. Was the school's refund policy explained to you upon enrollment?
- Y N N/A      20. Are the equipment and facilities maintained in working-order?
- Y N N/A      21. Does the school make available other items for training that are not included in your kit such as products, equipment, reference materials?
- Y N N/A      22. Are you aware of the educational requirements you must meet to graduate? Y N
- N/A            23. Are you evaluated periodically on your practical skills?
- Y N N/A      24. Do you understand the grading criteria that are used by the instructors when giving you practical grades?
- Y N N/A      25. Do you take written tests after each unit of study?
- Y N N/A      26. Were the school's performance rates or goals regarding graduation, published in the school's catalog that you received prior to enrollment?
- Y N N/A      27. If you had to make the decision again, would you choose this institution?

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.

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## 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. 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 Presentation Labs
- Student Activities
- Classroom Presentations
- Field Trips
- Guest Speakers
- Project

<p><b>Are the academic and practical learning methods used effectively and relevant to learning styles and current education trends?</b></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> YES    <input type="checkbox"/> NO</p>
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Please provide any additional recommendations:

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## 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 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:

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**GRADUATION, COMPLETION, AND PLACEMENT RATES**  
AS OF 2023 COMBINED TOTALS:

2023 reported data:  
**Completion Rate: 89%**  
**Graduation Rate: 87%**  
**Placement Rate: 97%**

<b>Do you feel these are good outcomes for the institution?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
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Please provide any additional recommendations:

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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 Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

## STUDENT INSTRUCTOR EVALUATION

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Program: \_\_\_\_\_ Approximate Credits/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**

**Guidance & Cooperative**

Provides the opportunity to discuss class work      **Poor**      **Satisfactory**      **Excellent**      **N/A**

**Evaluation Process & Decision Making**

Explains how student will be evaluated      **Poor**      **Satisfactory**      **Excellent**      **N/A**

**Punctuality & Professionalism**

Displays a professional image in actions and behavior      **Poor**      **Satisfactory**      **Excellent**      **N/A**

**Competence of Curriculum Taught**

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**

**Productivity**

Class time is well planned by the instructor      **Poor**      **Satisfactory**      **Excellent**      **N/A**

All assignments are clear and easy to understand      **Poor**      **Satisfactory**      **Excellent**      **N/A**

Plan of progress in place for student      **Poor**      **Satisfactory**      **Excellent**      **N/A**

Projects and assignments are readily available      **Poor**      **Satisfactory**      **Excellent**      **N/A**

**Initiative**

Encourages thinking and problem solving      **Poor**      **Satisfactory**      **Excellent**      **N/A**

Technology is incorporated in class learning      **Poor**      **Satisfactory**      **Excellent**      **N/A**

**Diversity**

All students are treated fairly      **Poor**      **Satisfactory**      **Excellent**      **N/A**

**Inclusion**

Teaching methods adapt to student learning styles      **Poor**      **Satisfactory**      **Excellent**      **N/A**

**Communications**

Verbal and written skills are demonstrated      **Poor**      **Satisfactory**      **Excellent**      **N/A**

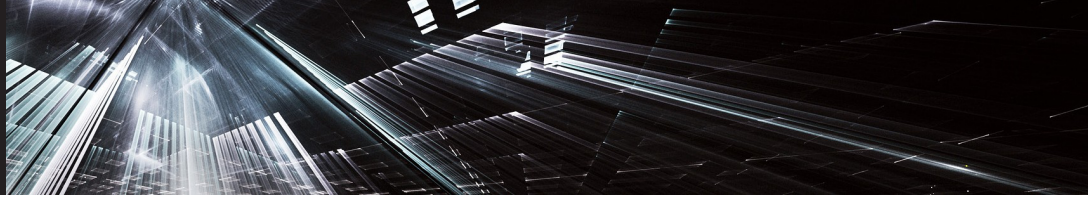
Demonstrates a cooperative spirit      **Poor**      **Satisfactory**      **Excellent**      **N/A**

**Institutional Commitment**

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      **Poor**      **Satisfactory**      **Excellent**      **N/A**

*Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.*



## EXIT INTERVIEW AND PLACEMENT SURVEY

**STUDENT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PROGRAM:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate DSDT's following school programs and services:

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

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?** **Yes** **No**  
If yes, indicate the type \_\_\_\_\_

**PLACEMENT INFORMATION:** Do you have a **Yes** **No**  
job? If no, indicate why \_\_\_\_\_

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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**Student Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**



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