The Technical Studies – Journeyworker Track program is designed to allow advanced standing to individuals who have completed a USDOL or federally approved apprenticeship training program of at least 6,000 hours (including a minimum of 400 related study hours). It is a flexible program providing students the opportunity to earn an Associate in Applied Science degree by combining their previous apprenticeship training with college credit course work. Students will work with an advisor to design their own plan of study based on their personal career goals. The completion of this program will help students develop the skills and abilities needed for advancement in their current profession.

Green technology could be a large part of a student's customized program. In today's market that includes "smart" buildings, sustainable building materials, alternative fuels and changing technology, students may choose to customize plans that help them gain entry into a variety of new and emerging fields.

Individuals who are currently employed and are not able to relocate will find many of their courses are available in an online format or offered by NDSCS at a distant site. Individuals seeking this degree will need to meet the NDSCS graduation requirement stating: At least 16 of the final 24 credits will count toward the required course credits. PLA 202 credits will be transcripted after the successful completion of one NDSCS course. Individuals who have completed an approved apprenticeship program exceeding 400 hours of related studies may be granted up to 5 additional credits. (Calculated at one credit per 36-hours of instruction.) These credits will count toward the required technical, business and/or general education course credits.

- Consult academic advisor in selecting electives that are most appropriate. An academic plan must be developed and approved by the Technical Studies Committee and be placed on file in the Records office.
- Internships and cooperative education credits will not be accepted in lieu of the technical, business and/or general education course credits.

PLA 202 credits will be transcripted after the successful completion of one NDSCS course. Individuals seeking this degree will need to meet the NDSCS graduation requirement stating: At least 16 of the final 24 credits of the curriculum must be taken through NDSCS.

Admission Requirements*

The applicants must be high school graduates or equivalent. To receive advanced standing, they must provide official documentation of a completed USDOL or federally approved apprenticeship training program of at least 6000 hours (including a minimum of 400 related study hours). Students considered for acceptance must complete all required minimum placement scores:

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Or transfer equivalencies will apply as appropriate

Applicants not meeting the above requirements are encouraged to visit with the academic counselor at 701-671-2257 for strategies to meet the admission requirements.

*Program Admission Requirements are subject to revision. Please check the department or program website under Program Admission Requirements for current information.

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Course Code | Course Title | Credits
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Journey-Level Certificate
PLA 202 | Prior Learning Assessment | 10
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General Education Courses
ENGL 110 | College Composition I | 3
ENGL 125 | Introduction to Professional Writing | 3
ENGL 120 | College Composition II | 3
COMM 110 | Fundamentals of Public Speaking | 3
Mathematics and/or Science Electives
Social and Behavioral Sciences, Humanities, History and/or Computer Electives
Recommended:
- CIS 101 – Computer Literacy – 2 cr
- PSYC 100 – Human Relations in Organizations – 2 cr
General Education Electives
- Wellness Electives | 2
Technical, Business and/or General Education Electives* | 14

Total Required Credits | 64

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