Program Description

A Brake and Suspension Technician is a technician who uses problem solving and critical thinking skills along with a working knowledge of brake and suspension components to diagnose and repair a variety of vehicle handling and braking problems.

This 28-credit Certificate seamlessly transfers to the Auto Service Technology Diploma (64 credits) and the AAS (72 credits).

The courses will be provided by qualified Lake Superior College faculty and will be offered at varied times throughout the day and evening. All credits will transfer into the Automotive Service Technology program and/or can serve as preparation to A.S.E. (Automotive Service Excellence) certification.

Program Outcomes

- Demonstrate the skills and knowledge necessary to utilize service literature
- Demonstrate the skills and knowledge to perform repairs following environmental and ethical guidelines
- Exhibit the safety procedures and practices necessary to work efficiently and professionally in the automotive industry
- Demonstrate the ability to maintain and repair tools and equipment in the automotive shop
- Demonstrate the skills and knowledge necessary for diagnosis and repair of automotive electrical systems, steering and suspension systems, automotive brake systems

Required Courses

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Total Credits 28

*Requires a prerequisite or a concurrent course

Pre-program Requirements

Successful entry into this program requires a specific level of skill in the areas of English and reading. Program entry will depend, in part, on meeting the prerequisites listed below:

English/Reading:

- A score of 78 or higher on the reading comprehension portion of the Accuplacer, or
- Completion of ENGL/READ 0950 or 0955 (or equivalent course or higher). ENGL/READ 0955 may be taken concurrently with Semester I coursework.

For interpretation of test results and selection of appropriate coursework; or general information about the program, admissions, financial aid, and getting started at LSC, contact the professional advising team at: pat@lsc.edu or 218-733-7601
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Program Area: Auto Service (Fall 2018)

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For more information about the Brake and Suspension Certificate including course descriptions, course prerequisites, the gainful employment disclosure, and potential career opportunities, see program website: https://degrees.lsc.edu/brake-specialist/

- or -

Contact Faculty Advisor(s), Mitch Connor: m.connor@lsc.edu or 218-733-7662 or Tyler McCumber: tyler.mccumber@lsc.edu or 218-733-6924

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