

# 2025-2026

# Certificate In Mechatronics/Industrial Automation - Advanced PLC Job Skills

Complete the following program of study (Major #C.8391.CN). Major requirements (9 semester units). The Advance PLC Job Skills Certificate in Mechatronics/Industrial Automation is designed to prepare students for employment as entry-level industrial automation technicians. The courses in this certificate prepare students for careers in the design, operation, and maintenance of industrial automation systems focusing on the local industries that utilize these technologies, such as food production, petroleum production, fabrication, and logistics. These courses focus on the application of programmable logic controllers to industrial networking and automation systems. Significant emphasis is placed on project-based learning facilitated by significant laboratory work.

Name:	Student ID:	Date:

## Course Overview and Selection

# Required Core Courses:

Course	Course Description	Units	Completed	In Progress	Planned
ARM 5	Programmable Logic Controllers (PLCs)	3			
ARM 35	Industrial Communications Networks	3			
ARM 45	Industrial Automation Systems	3			

#### **Notes:**

**Total Units 9** 

All courses require a "C" (2.0) or higher.

#### **Program Learning Outcomes:**

- 1. Safety: Identify the hazards associated with automated machinery and determine appropriate safety methods for working in an industrial environment.
- 2. Troubleshooting: Utilize electrical/mechanical troubleshooting and communication skills to diagnose, repair, test, and return to service failed components.
- 3. Identify and Solve Problems: Identify, analyze, and solve narrowly defined technical problems determining root cause with a general understanding of industry practices.
- 4. System Design and Programming: Use basic understanding of programming and industrial system design to enhance systems via incremental changes in software and/or in hardware modifications.
- 5. Communication: Apply written, oral and graphical communication skill in both technical and non-technical environments, and identify and use appropriate technical literature.
- 6. Teamwork, Professionalism and Quality: Function effectively as a team member, both individually and as group, demonstrating a commitment to quality, timeliness, and continuous improvement in a professional manner.

### Comments:

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