

APED 360 Course Outline as of Fall 2025**CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: APED 360 Title: APP PLUMBERS, HVAC, 1ST

Full Title: Apprentice Plumbers, HVAC/Refrigeration, First Semester

Last Reviewed: 5/13/2024

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	4.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	18	Lecture Scheduled	54.00
Minimum	4.00	Lab Scheduled	3.00	8	Lab Scheduled	54.00
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	6.00		Contact Total	108.00
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 108.00

Total Student Learning Hours: 216.00

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Non-Applicable

Grading: Grade Only

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree:	Area	Effective:	Inactive:
CSU GE:	Transfer Area	Effective:	Inactive:

IGETC:	Transfer Area	Effective:	Inactive:
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CSU Transfer:	Effective:	Inactive:
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UC Transfer:	Effective:	Inactive:
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CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Certificate Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Describe and demonstrate electrical and plumbing principles and regulations related to heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and refrigeration trade
2. Apply best practices in the practical environment related to heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and refrigeration trade

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Analyze and use trade-related mathematics related to HVAC systems and pipefitting
2. Identify and explain testing devices, hand tools, equipment, and supplies for HVAC installation and service
3. Explain and demonstrate basic trade-related electricity
4. Explain and demonstrate rigging processes
5. Describe and demonstrate soldering and brazing techniques
6. Demonstrate the use of pipe fittings
7. Demonstrate fundamentals of customer service

Topics and Scope:

- I. Basic Mathematics Related to Plumbing, HVAC, and Refrigeration
 - A. Introduction to use of basic mathematics in HVAC installation
 - B. Simple formulas and application
- II. Basic Electricity Related to Plumbing, HVAC, and Refrigeration
 - A. Basic electrical concepts
 - B. Terms and definitions
 - C. Wiring concepts for HVAC systems
- III. Basic Rigging
- IV. Basic Soldering and Brazing
- V. Basic Pipefitting Techniques for HVAC Installation

VI. Tools of the Pipefitting and HVAC Trades

VII. Safety and Job Health

- A. Introduction to work-based hazards
- B. Practicing work-based health
- C. Safety regulations

VIII. Introduction to Customer Service Skills

- A. Basic practices of good customer service
- B. Instilling good customer service in each job

All topics are covered in the lecture and lab portions of the course

Assignment:

Lecture-Related Assignments:

- 1. Weekly reading 10-15 pages
- 2. Written homework assignments (1 to 2 sets per week)
- 3. Project homework assignments (1 to 2 sets per week)
- 4. Quizzes and examinations (4 to 6 per semester)

Lab-Related Assignment:

- 1. Class performances and field work (on-the-job demonstrations) of skill development, safety practices, equipment, and material handling

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

None

Writing
0 - 0%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Homework assignments; field work

Problem solving
10 - 25%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Class performances; field work

Skill Demonstrations
50 - 65%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Quizzes and examinations

Exams
10 - 20%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Attendance and participation

Other Category
5 - 10%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Pipe, Fittings, Valves, Supports & Fasteners. International Pipe Trades Joint Training Committee. 2021.

Rigging. International Pipe Trades Joint Training Committee. 2021.

Soldering & Brazing. International Pipe Trades Joint Training Committee. 2018. (classic).

Related Mathematics. International Pipe Trades Joint Training Committee. 2018. (classic).

Use & Care of Tools. International Pipe Trades Joint Training Committee. 2020.