JOBS OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates of this program are qualified for employment as entry-level technicians in the automotive repair occupation, including automobile dealerships, automotive repair and service establishments, automotive parts, distribution and manufacturing companies, specialty service repair shops, and commercial businesses and fleet services. New automotive technology is developed every day, keeping competent entry-level and experienced technicians in high demand in this growing industry.

GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT DISCLOSURE

For information on the employment of Bishop State students in various programs of study, please visit www.bishop.edu/gainfulemployment.html.

ACCREDITATION

Bishop State Community College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award associate degrees, certificates, and short certificates. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call (404) 679.4500 for questions about the accreditation of Bishop State Community College.

NONDISCRIMINATORY STATEMENT

The Alabama State Board of Education through the Alabama Department of Postsecondary Education proclaims nondiscriminatory practices in Alabama two-year institutions. It is the official policy of the Alabama Department of Postsecondary Education and Bishop State that no persons shall, on the basis of race, color, disability, sex, religion, creed, national origin, or age, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program, activity, or employment.

STUDENT SERVICES AVAILABLE

Admissions..............................................(251) 665.4085
(251) 665.4114
Program Instructors...............................(251) 665.4097
(251) 665.4098
Counselor..............................................(251) 665.4087
Financial Aid..........................................(251) 405.7015
ADA Office...........................................(251) 405.7028
Veteran’s Affairs.....................................(251) 405.7020
(251) 405.7153

For information, call (251) 665.4085 local 1 (800) 523.7235 (in-state long distance) or visit www.bishop.edu

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AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

The Automotive Technology program offers detailed modernized training for students to become qualified automotive service and maintenance technicians. Instruction covers all facets of automotive mechanics, basic scientific principles, and current technical information using modern diagnostic and maintenance equipment.

Students will learn to diagnose, repair, and then test concerns in electrical and electronics, engine performance, engine repair, brakes, steering and suspension, automatic and manual transmissions, and air conditioning/heating systems.

Emphasis is also placed on teamwork, problem solving, proper and special tool usage, good work habits, strict safety standards, and effective customer relations.

PROGRAM COSTS

Bishop State offers high quality instruction at an affordable cost. Tuition and fees are among the lowest in the state of Alabama.

FINANCIAL AID

A number of financial aid opportunities are available: Pell Grant, Veterans Benefits, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, (FSEOG), Work Study and scholarships, including senior citizen scholarships. Apply for financial aid online at www.fafsa.gov.

PLACEMENT TESTING

Students entering the Automotive Technology program must take the COMPASS entrance exam (required by the Alabama State Board of Education) or provide documented proof of exemption.

ADMISSION PROCEDURES

Obtain an Admissions Application in person on the Southwest Campus or log on to www.bishop.edu. Be prepared to furnish an official copy of your high school transcript or a copy of the General Equivalency Diploma (GED) Certificate issued by the appropriate state education agency. Applicants will be notified of acceptance by the College via mail after all enrollment materials have been submitted. Then you will meet with a Counselor for Academic Advisement.

TWO PROGRAM OPTIONS

CERTIFICATE OR ASSOCIATE IN OCCUPATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES (AOT)

Technical Courses (required for all awards) Credit Hours: 43

- AUM101 Fundamentals of Auto Technology
- AUM110 Electrical/Electronic Systems I
- AUM121 Braking Systems
- AUM122 Steering, Suspension & Alignment
- AUM124 Engine Repair I
- AUM130 Drivetrain & Axles
- AUM133 Motor Vehicle Air Conditioning
- AUM210 Electrical /Electronic Systems II
- AUM220 Engine Repair II
- AUM224 Manual Transmissions
- AUM230 Automatic Transmissions
- AUM239 Engine Performance I
- AUM244 Engine Performance II
- AUM246 Automotive Emissions I
- AUM247 Dynamic Testing (or AUM192, AUM291 Co-op)

General Education Courses Credit Hours: 12 or 21
(varies by program):

For the Certificate program – 12 credit hours (4 courses)
For the AOT degree – 21 credit hours (7 courses)

Minor Options Credit Hours: 12
(only offered in the AOT program)

Automotive Body Technology or Diesel Technology. Each minor requires 12 credit hours of additional technical courses.

Visit www.bishop.edu for further information.