

Weber Workforce Center

Open for classes Fall 2018

Lewis and Clark Community College broke ground on the new, state-of-the-art Weber Workforce Center in 2016.

Funded in large part by a transformational gift from local resident Ed Weber, the center allows L&C to double the capacity of the Welding Technology program and prepare to meet growing demands in industrial and workforce education.

The college currently offers 34 workforce programs, including flagships like Welding, Automotive Technology and Process Operations Technology.

The center was built with sustainability and efficiency in mind, and will seek LEED silver certification.

Welding stations in the new 30building doubles the program's capacity

16,000

Square feet of lab, classroom and office space

L&C Workforce Training Programs

These are just a few of the programs available at L&C.

- Architectural Technology •
- Automotive Technology
- **Criminal Justice**
- Dental Assisting/Hygiene •
- Drafting and Design
- **Fire Science**
- Industrial Technology
- Information Technology

Instrumentation and Control Systems

Nurse Assistant

- Nursing
- **Occupational Therapy** Assistant
- Paralegal
- Paramedicine
- **Process Operations** Technology



Welding Technology

www.lc.edu/program/welding

60

14

\$125

Program options (Associate in **Applied Science** + 10 certificates)

> **Credit hours** for AAS degree

10.5 **Credit hours** for Basic Welding Certification

> District high schools offer dual credit for Welding

Cost per credit hour (in-district)

Average age of L&C Welding students

- **Radio Broadcasting**
- **Restoration Ecology**
- Smart Grid Technology
- **Truck Driver Training**
- Welding Technology

For a complete list, visit www.lc.edu/credit-programs.

\$3.75 million

\$4.5 million Total cost of new building construction

Total cost of

Supported by donors through the L&C Foundation

- Management

Iconic Partnerships - Miller & Cee Kay

L&C is a Miller welding shop, made possible by a three-way partnership with Miller and Cee Kay, which allows district high school first options to buy used equipment.

L&C offers dual credit in Welding at 14 different district high schools. Students who take welding in high school typically enter the program with 6 credit hours, about the equivalent of two courses in the program.

Building Features

- Workshop with 30 welding stations
- 3 classrooms (one with 20 computers)

3 offices (2 with

Bathrooms with full showers
Oxy fuel cutting/ grinding room

views of the lab)

Clean testing
 room



Efficiency & Sustainability

- Welding inverter technology for efficiency – shop averages only 150-175 amps per day
- Advanced HEPA air filtration system (better than hospital grade) filters fumes out of the shop and circulates clean air back into the room
- 4 wind turbines with capacity to generate 4kw/day
- LED smart lighting system in classrooms and offices
- Pervious pavers in parking lot and roadway
- Bioswale for groundwater filtration
- Building seeking LEED silver certification



Welding Faculty

Lewis and Clark Welding faculty have extensive knowledge and experience in various areas of the welding industry, including sheet metal welding, boilermaking, ironwork, tool and die making, engineering and pipefitting.

Coordinator/Assistant Professor Travis Jumper is a 2017 recipient of the Howard E. Atkins Memorial Instructor of the Year Award for District 14 of the American Welding

Faculty (2 full-time, 5 adjunct)



Total years of experience

Society. He won the award for the St. Louis Section in 2016.

Adjunct instructor Robert "Bo" Lee currently serves as chairman for the AWS St. Louis Section. Jumper will serve a two-year term as president beginning in June 2019.

Future of Welding

The average age of welders today is around 56 years old, which means many in the field are approaching retirement. L&C's state-of-the-art program is training workers with real world experience ready to fill that need.

Coming Soon

- In addition to welding booths, L&C will be adding augmented reality training to its welding curriculum.
- The college will seek for Weber
 to become one of the only AWS
 accredited testing facilities in the region.

\$69,762 Est. Annual Wage

Need for welders expected to grow

26%

by the year

2020 making welding one of the fastest growing professions in America

- U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics