

**MIDLAND COLLEGE**  
**SYLLABUS**  
**AUMT 1305**  
**INTRODUCTION AND THEORY OF AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY**  
**2-4**

**Course Description:** An introduction to the automotive industry including automotive history, safety practices, shop equipment and tools, vehicle subsystems, service publications, fasteners, automobile maintenance, professional responsibilities, career opportunities, soft skills, and work ethics.

**Text, References and Supplies:** Required: **Cengage Unlimited digital e-book--** "AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE INSPECTION MAINTENANCE REPAIR" by Tim Gilles 6<sup>th</sup> Edition. (Note: only one workbook is required for ALL courses: AUMT 1305, 1307, 1310, 1316, 2317)---- Cengage Unlimited ISBN-13: 9781337956413

**Course Goals/Objectives:** Utilizing appropriate safety procedures, the student will demonstrate familiarity with historical development and career information on the automotive industry; demonstrate safe, professional, and responsible work practices; identify and demonstrate the proper use of shop equipment and tools; identify and describe functions of vehicle subsystems; demonstrate the use of service publications; identify various automotive fasteners used in industry; and perform extensive automotive maintenance. Students will identify and describe employee and employer responsibilities and appropriate work ethics as well as demonstrate interpersonal communication and team work. Display responsibility, self-management and honesty.

**NOTE:** This is an introductory and theoretical course. The performance objectives stated as "determine needed repairs" are to be considered limited or subjective conclusions and may not necessarily be verified and/or repaired in class.

**Students may perform the following tasks in order to maintain safe lab and classroom spaces:**

- Participate in shop and classroom maintenance which may include, but not limited to sweeping, mopping, disposing of trash, cleaning work benches, organize tools and equipment, organize tool room, disinfect classroom tables and chairs.
- Disassemble discontinued lab training vehicles or equipment for salvage.
- Repurpose lab vehicles to be utilized in lab assignments.
- Other course related tasks as assigned by instructor.

**Student Contributions and Class Policies:**

Students MUST actively participate by completing an academic assignment required by the instructor by the official census date. Students who do not actively participate in an academically-related activity will be reported as never attended and dropped from the course.

1. Student/Participant must furnish a set of approved (ANSI-Z87) clear safety eye glasses.
2. Student/Participant must understand class attendance is critical; therefore, three consecutive absences or five total absences may be considered justification for failure or dismissal from class.

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3. Punctuality, being prepared for class, being alert, participating pro-actively and exhibiting a respectful and appropriate attitude will be required.

4. Late Assignment Policy: Assignment/quiz submitted or taken after the due date will be deducted 25% for each day. Assignments will not be accepted after the 4<sup>th</sup> day. **Note: This is 4 total days, not class meeting days.**

**Evaluation of Students:**

10% = Attendance/Punctuality

10% = Professionalism/Participation

25% = Mid-term & Final exams

40% = Skills Objectives (Lab Assignments)

15% = Knowledge Objectives (Classroom Assignments)

100% Total

90 and above    A

80-89            B

70-79            C

60-69            D

59 and below    F

**Course Schedule:** This class meets for 2 lecture hours and 4 lab hours per week.

**SCANS Information:** SCANS skills are taught and/or reinforced in automotive courses. The student must locate, read, interpret and understand instruction information and direction materials. The participant must communicate thoughts, ideas and information through verbal and written mediums. Practical arithmetic and mathematics will apply continually throughout automotive technology training. Listening, interpreting, and responding to verbal communications and instructions as well as speaking in response to questioning will be a daily involvement. Thinking, reasoning, visualizing and problem solving are required assets to the automotive technician. The student/participant must display responsibility, self-management and honesty.

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Students should feel free to contact the instructor at any time. Appointments are encouraged for advising and planning the most appropriate or beneficial course work.

\*Syllabus subject to change as deemed necessary by the instructor to ensure learning objectives and course goals are met.

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