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Since its establishment in 1963, Ivy Tech has fulfilled its dual mission: to enable individuals to develop to their fullest potential and to support economic development in Indiana. Ivy Tech has been working with the building trades programs for a number of years. In 1993-94, Ivy Tech partnered with the union building trades to develop an Associate of Applied Science degree in Apprenticeship Technology.

This degree is a working partnership with each JATC providing the technical component and Ivy Tech providing the general education courses to complete a well rounded program. The joining together of education and training expertise provides for the delivery of a uniform Associate of Applied Science degree. And for those who wish to proceed further in higher education, students can transfer their degrees to other schools, including the National Labor College and earn a four-year degree.
This degree program gives apprentices and journeymen of the International Association of Bridge, Structural, Ornamental and Reinforcing Ironworkers the opportunity to apply their apprenticeship courses towards an Associate of Applied Science degree. Students (apprentices or journeymen) simply need to complete a minimum of 15 credits online to establish residency and earn their degree. Apprentices may do this in conjunction with their apprenticeship training, while journeymen (who have completed a certified apprenticeship) can take the required courses online as their schedules allow.

**WHY EARN A DEGREE?**

The degree recognizes the quality training that the apprentices receive by awarding college credit. It is a stepping stone that allows each student the ability to further his/her education. A Journeyman’s Card says that you know the industry; the addition of a college degree will allow more career choices within the industry. A college degree can prepare a worker with skills and knowledge that will assist in responding to changes in the workplace. A college degree can also be the key to a better future. Research studies show that workers with a two-year degree typically earn more than those without. Those who go on to earn a four-year degree can earn even more.

**DEGREE COMPONENTS**

There are two different components of the degree program, apprenticeship and the residency requirement.

**Apprenticeship:** Prospective students must either be enrolled in, or have completed, an apprenticeship training program which has met the criteria of the Ironworkers Apprenticeship Certification Program (IACP).

**Residency Requirement:** 15 credits for the successful completion of seven online courses. These courses consist of six general education courses plus one elective course.

The basic steps for attaining a degree from Ivy Tech are listed here:

1. Register through Ivy Tech (Apprentices must first check with their Coordinator/Director)
2. Complete coursework through Ivy Tech
3. Receive degree upon successful completion of all courses
   a. Apprentices will only receive the degree upon successful completion of the Apprenticeship program
   b. Journeymen will receive the degree upon successful completion of courses through Ivy Tech

**ADMISSION OF NEW STUDENTS**

How To Get Started

An application can be completed online or the application can be printed out and submitted to the Apprenticeship Studies Office.

Choose the registration method:

❯ Online – www.ivytech.edu/actnow
❯ Fax – (317) 921-4348
❯ Mail – Apprenticeship Studies
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Ivy Tech does not charge an application fee.