This degree preparation offers more flexibility than a traditional college-based A.A.S. degree program, in that the candidate can earn college credit for his/her apprenticeship training, honing proficiencies through supervised practice, as well as develop additional skills for living and work.  

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Jefferson College Associate of Applied Science Degree Apprenticeship Credit Option Program

The Associate of Applied Science Degree (Apprenticeship Credit Option Program) provides an opportunity for union employees, apprentice or journeyman, in Jefferson County and throughout the state of Missouri to access an educational program that recognizes workers’ pre-existing skills and abilities. Credit will be awarded for quality skill training that takes place outside the realm of traditional community college education.

This program recognizes the core curriculum of any apprenticeship training program that is approved by the Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards, a division of the Department of Labor. This allows an individual's journeyman status to be transferred to Jefferson College satisfying a portion of the core curriculum requirements needed for an associate degree.

To complement an individual’s technical or on-the-job training, a component consisting of 18 hours of general education is included. This enables individuals who have completed the degree requirements to not only receive their journeyman's license, but an Associate of Applied Science degree in Apprenticeship Training which is now required by a number of companies.

Recognized apprenticeship training programs that are eligible to receive college credit toward the Associate of Applied Science Degree (Apprenticeship Credit Option Program):

- Asbestos Worker
- Boilermaker
- Bricklayer
- Carpenter
- Carpenter/Millwright
- Cement Mason
- Communications Worker
- Construction Craft Laborer
- Electrician
- Floor Layer
- Glazier/Glassworker
- Ironworker
- Machinist
- Moldmaker
- Operating Engineer
- Painter
- Painter/Decorator
- Pipefitter
- Plasterer
- Plumber
- Roofer
- Sheet Metal Worker
- Sprinkler Fitter
- Stationary Engineer
- Tile Layer/Marble Setter
- Toolmaker

If you would like more information about the Associate of Applied Science Degree (Apprenticeship Credit Option Program) call (636) 481-3168 or 797-3000, ext. 3168 OR e-mail us at bherrick@jeffco.edu

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