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# **General Syllabus**

## WELD 13844 TIG Welding - Basic

Credit Hours: 4 Lecture Hours: 2 Laboratory Hours: 4

Prerequisite or corequisite: WELD 12344 Introduction to Welding and Print Reading

Effective Catalog: 2018-2019

#### I. Course Information

## A. Catalog Description

In-depth study and practice of the gas tungsten arc welding process. Techniques of making welds in the flat and horizontal positions are mastered on carbon steel, aluminum, and stainless steel.

#### **B.** Additional Information - None

## **II.** Student Learning Outcomes

### A. Subject Matter

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- 1. Set up equipment
- 2. Perform fusion welds on steel, master torch and filler rod manipulations.
- 3. Demonstrate the safe use of gas tungsten arc welding equipment.
- 4. Identify and select all variables, i.e., electrical and mechanical, necessary to operate the equipment.
- 5. Correct set up the TIG welding power source and peripheral equipment.
- 6. Distinguish and grade various samples of aluminum, carbon steels, and stainless steels according to American Iron and Steel Institute's Standards.
- 7. Select the proper filler rods for a specific base metal in accordance with the American Welding Society's Filler Rod Classification System.
- 8. Complete torch and filler rod manipulations including correct work angles, travel angles, standoff distances and travel speeds.
- 9. Start and stop the welding process using both scratch start and high frequency assisted techniques.
- 10. Produce fillet welds in all three materials in various welding positions in accordance with the American Welding Society's Visual Inspection

Standards.

- 11. Produce groove welds in all three materials in the flat welding position which comply with American Welding Society's Visual Inspection Standards.
- 12. Select the correct shielding gas and adjust flow rates according to factory recommendations.
- 13. Polish stainless steel weld joints to meet U.S.D.A. requirements for sanitary welds.
- 14. Recognize and qualify weld defects according to American Welding Society's Standard for Visual Inspection.

# **B.** University Learning Outcomes

This course enhances student abilities in the following areas:

## **Analytical Skills**

**Critical Thinking Skills:** Students must analyze situations and make decisions in materials and techniques and make judgments in accordance with American Welding Society standards.

**Quantitative Reasoning:** Students must make precision measurements and figure acceptable tolerances within American Welding Society guidelines.

## **Ethical Decision Making**

Students will evaluate work to meet American Welding Society's standards and guidelines as well as evaluate how stakeholders are affected by the quality and safety of the finished welds.

# **III.** Major Course Topics

- A. Safety and health practices including eye and body protection, shop regulations, equipment hazards and ventilation.
- B. Basic elements of oxy-fuel welding that are prerequisite to TIG.
- C. Use of equipment and accessories in TIG welding, i.e., non-consumable electrodes, proper selection of inert gas, correct procedure and technique on base metal.
- D. Welding assignments in flat and horizontal positions.