

SYLLABUS

LAST REVIEW	Fall 2022
COURSE TITLE	Programmable Controllers
COURSE NUMBER	BEMT 0255
DIVISION	Career and Technical Education
DEPARTMENT	BEMT
CIP CODE	46.0401
CREDIT HOURS	2
CONTACT HOURS/WEEK	Class: 1 Lab: 2
PREREQUISITES	None

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This is an introductory course in programmable logic controllers. The course is designed for individuals without extensive electrical or controller backgrounds. Hardware aspects and programming aspects of controller operation are covered. The foundational controller logic symbols and controller logic operations are necessary to interpret and write ladder logic programs are taught in this class. Students will enter, edit and test controller programs through assisted assigned laboratory projects.

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students will demonstrate an adherence to safety standards and proficiency in the installation or repair of residential electrical, plumbing, HVAC, exterior building materials, roofing, irrigation systems, landscape/hardscape, concrete placement and finish, masonry install and repair.

TEXTBOOKS

<http://kckccbookstore.com/>

METHOD OF INSTRUCTION

A variety of instructional methods may be used depending on content area. These include but are not limited to lecture, multimedia, cooperative/collaborative learning, labs and demonstrations, projects and presentations, speeches, debates, panels, conferencing, performances, and learning experiences outside the classroom. Methodology will be selected to best meet student needs.

COURSE OUTLINE

- I. Explain Basics Of:
 - A. Background/history
 - B. Purpose of programmable controller
 - C. Relay logic versus ladder logic
 - D. Definition of a controller
 - E. Components of a programmable controller
- II. Describe and Program Controller Hardware, Including:
 - A. Input/output modules
 - i. Field wiring interface
 - ii. Rack configurations
 - iii. Solid state relay switching
 - iv. Troubleshooting
 - v. Indicator lamps
 - vi. Terminal numbering
 - B. Central processor
 - i. Fixed memory (ROM)
 - ii. Alterable memory (RAM)
 - iii. Battery back-up
 - iv. Memory capability
 - v. Indicator lights
 - vi. Function mode switch
 - C. Power supply
 - i. Rectification and filtering
 - ii. Power for CPU and I/O modules
 - iii. Back-up power
 - D. Programming terminal
 - i. Screen display
 - ii. Keyboard modes
 - iii. Cable connections
- III. Explain Controller Memory Organization
 - A. Fixed memory
 - B. Alterable memory
 - C. Data table
 - i. Processor work areas
 - ii. Input image table
 - iii. Output image table
 - iv. Timers and counters
 - v. Scratch pad areas
 - D. User memory
 - i. Program instructions
 - ii. Controller scanning
 - E. Numbering systems in controller hardware
 - i. Octal
 - ii. Binary

- iii. BCD
- F. Memory addresses
 - i. Words
 - ii. Bits

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will:

- A. Identify the hardware components of a programmable logic controller.
- B. Assemble the components of a programmable logic controller.
- C. Describe memory usage and I/O mapping of a PLC.
- D. Describe wiring of inputs and outputs to a PLC.
- E. Identify and use the numbering systems used in PLCs (binary, octal, hexadecimal, and decimal).
- F. Enter and test programs written in relay ladder logic into a PLC.
- G. Understand and describe relay logic and symbols used by PLCs.
- H. Incorporate and program timers and counters in PLC ladder programs.
- I. Perform arithmetic and logical operations with a PLC.

ASSESSMENT OF COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES AND COMPETENCIES

Student progress is evaluated through both formative and summative assessment methods. Specific details may be found in the instructor's course information document.

COLLEGE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Student Handbook

<https://www.kckcc.edu/files/docs/student-resources/student-handbook-and-code-of-conduct.pdf>

College Catalog

<https://www.kckcc.edu/academics/catalog/index.html>

College Policies and Statements

<https://www.kckcc.edu/about/policies-statements/index.html>

Accessibility and Accommodations

<https://www.kckcc.edu/academics/resources/student-accessibility-support-services/index.html>.