

**Clarendon College**  
**WLDG 1428 Intro to Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW)**

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**I. General Course Information**

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Course Number: WLDG 1428

Course Title: Intro to Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW)

Credit Hours: 2-8-4

Recommended Prerequisite: None

Course Description: An introduction to shielded metal arc welding process. Emphasis placed on power sources, electrode selection, oxy-fuel cutting, and various joint designs. Instruction provided in SMAW fillet welds in various positions.

End-of-Course Outcomes: Select electrodes and amperage settings for various thicknesses of materials and welding positions; define principles of arc welding; and explain electrode classifications. Perform SMAW operations in various positions using selected electrodes and different joint designs.

A series of basic intellectual competencies--reading, writing, speaking, listening, critical thinking, and computer literacy--are essential to the learning process in any discipline and thus should inform any core curriculum. Although students can be expected to come to college with some experience in exercising these competencies, they often need further instruction and practice to meet college standards and, later, to succeed in both their major field of academic study and their chosen career or profession. This course will further develop the following basic intellectual competencies:

**READING:** Reading at the college level means the ability to analyze and interpret a variety of printed materials--books, articles, and documents. A core curriculum should offer students the opportunity to master both general methods of analyzing printed materials and specific methods for analyzing the subject matter of individual disciplines.

**WRITING:** Competency in writing is the ability to produce clear, correct, and coherent prose adapted to purpose, occasion, and audience. Although correct grammar, spelling, and punctuation are each a sine qua non in any composition, they do not automatically ensure that the composition itself makes sense or that the writer has much of anything to say. Students need to be familiar with the writing process including how to discover a topic and how to develop and organize it, how to phrase it effectively for their audience. These abilities can be acquired only through practice and reflection.

**SPEAKING:** Competence in speaking is the ability to communicate orally in clear, coherent, and persuasive language appropriate to purpose, occasion, and audience. Developing this competency includes acquiring poise and developing control of the language through experience in making presentations to small groups, to large groups, and through the media.

**LISTENING:** Listening at the college level means the ability to analyze and interpret various forms of spoken communication.

**CRITICAL THINKING:** Critical thinking embraces methods for applying both qualitative and quantitative skills analytically and creatively to subject matter in order to evaluate arguments and to construct alternative strategies. Problem solving is one of the applications of critical thinking, used to address an identified task.

**COMPUTER LITERACY:** Computer literacy at the college level means the ability to use computer-based technology in communicating, solving problems, and acquiring information. Core-educated students should have an understanding of the limits, problems, and possibilities associated with the use of technology, and should have the tools necessary to evaluate and learn new technologies as they become available.

## **I. Objectives/Terminal Objectives**

All Clarendon College courses work together to meet the following objectives:

1. Establish broad and multiple perspectives on the individual in relationship to the larger society and world in which he or she lives, and to understand the responsibilities of living in a culturally and ethnically diverse world;
2. Stimulate a capacity to discuss and reflect upon individual, political, economic, and social aspects of life in order to understand ways in which to be a responsible member of society;
3. Recognize the importance of maintaining health and wellness;
4. Develop a capacity to use knowledge of how technology and science affect their lives;
5. Develop personal values for ethical behavior;
6. Develop the ability to make aesthetic judgments;
7. Use logical reasoning in problem solving; and
8. Integrate knowledge and understand the interrelationships of scholarly disciplines.

In addition, the following objectives that are specific to Intro to Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) will be met:

### **Learning Outcomes.**

1. Recognize electrical current types and their use relating to SMAW process.
2. Identify common SMAW electrodes and determine their most suitable application.
3. Illustrate AWS weld joint designs and preparation procedures.
4. Perform SMAW process utilizing most common rod in all positions.

## **I. Textbook and Other Required Materials**

Modern Welding Textbook

## **I. Classroom Policy and Instructor Expectations**

Students are expected to conduct themselves in a manner, which promotes a safe learning environment for all students. Students should participate in classroom and lab activities/discussions, complete assignments on time and be prompt to class.

The use of a cell phone during shop classes is restricted only to when an instructor is actively instructing the student. The student will be asked to turn off the phone during

this period.

**I. Additional/Supplemental References N/A**

**I. Methods of Evaluation**

NOTE: Safety Exam must be completed 100% correct prior to lab exercise.

Attendance = 70%

Exams = 30%

**Grade Scale:**

90-100 = A

80-89 = B

70-79 = C

60-69 = D

Below 60 = F

**I. Attendance Requirements**

**Attendance at all class sessions is expected of all students. This is a significant part of instilling a good work ethic for future employers. For this reason if a student must be absent for any reason he/she will be required to notify a welding instructor(s) as soon as practical for each absence and its reason. If a student is absent from class for four unexcused absences they will be placed on the “Attendance Probation List” for the Welding Program. After six unexcused absences the student will be administratively withdrawn from the entire welding program.**

<b>Attendance Percentage</b>		<b>Grade</b>
<b>90 – 100</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>80 – 90</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>70– 80</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>60 – 70</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>70</b>
<b>0 – 60</b>	<b>=</b>	<b>50</b>

**I. Scans/Or Core Competencies That Will Be Addressed in the Class**

Resources:

Allocates Material & Facility Resources  
Information:  
Acquires & Evaluates Information  
Organizes & Maintains Information  
Interpersonal:  
Participate as Team Member  
Serve Clients/Customers;  
Systems:  
Monitor and Correct Performance  
Technology:  
Select Technology  
Maintain and Troubleshoot Equipment  
Applies Technology  
Basic Skills:  
Reading  
Writing  
Listening  
Thinking Skills:  
Creative Thinking  
Decision Making  
Problem Solving  
Reasoning  
Personal Qualities:  
Responsibility  
Self-Management

**I. Next Recommended Course in Sequence—N/A**

**II. Correlation to Stated Mission Goals of Clarendon College**

- A. Provide general college academic course for students who plan to enter senior colleges and universities with junior standing.
- B. Provide a classroom setting that is conducive to learning.
- C. Provide, assist, and promote the use of learning resources.
- D. Participate in and contribute to the democratic society in which we live.
- E. Acquire skills, facts, values, and attitudes necessary to function and contribute to our society.

**I. Grievance Policy**

If you have a dispute concerning your grade or policies in this class, it is your responsibility to FIRST contact the instructor, either by e-mail or in person, to discuss the matter. Should things remain unresolved after this initial contact, please follow the procedures described in the Clarendon College Catalogue . In the vast majority of cases, the matter can be resolved at the instructor/student level, and learning to communicate your concerns in a civilized manner is part of the college experience.

**I. Instructor's Contact Information and Office Hours**

My office is located in the Clarendon College Pampa Welding & Wind Center. I will be available during posted office hours, before and after class, or contact me by phone 806-669-1632. My e-mail address is [jay.anders@claredoncollege.edu](mailto:jay.anders@claredoncollege.edu).

**Special Accommodations:** Would you please see the instructor after class or during office hours if you have a disability that requires special accommodations.

**Cell Phone & Electronic Device Policy**

Personal computers are allowed. Cell phones will be allowed only on high priority bases if they are set on silent vibrate. They should be answered in a manner that is not disruptive to the class. If a person's cell phone becomes a nuisance they may be asked to leave the class with no opportunity for making that class up.