



CAD Foundations

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General Assessment Information

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Test Type: The CAD Foundations industry-based credential is included in NOCTI's Foundational assessment battery. Foundational assessments measure occupational awareness and fundamental competencies within a specific field, providing insight into a learner's progress toward job readiness. Foundational assessments include a written component only and can be used at the secondary and post-secondary levels. Foundational assessments can be delivered in an online or paper/pencil format.

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15.1302-CAD/CADD Drafting and/or Design Technology/Technician



Career Cluster 13 -Manufacturing



17-3013.00-Mechanical Drafters



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Written Assessment

NOCTI written assessments consist of questions to measure an individual's factual theoretical knowledge.

Administration Time: 2 hours Number of Questions: 90 Number of Sessions: This assessment may be administered in one, two, or three sessions.



Specific Standards and Competencies Included in this Assessment

Basic CAD Principles

- Describe objects as geometric entities
- Describe and demonstrate the process of using a mechanical or electronic caliper accurately
- Describe and demonstrate the use of graphic communication skills through sketching
- Express a design of an object as a 3-D model
- Export and import images/files in a variety of file formats
- Evaluate the choice and placement of dimensions, notes, and annotations to clearly communicate all information
- Revise a design and update finished drawings appropriately
- · Identify basic geometric elements
- Describe and apply basic geometric concepts to building 3-D models

Hardware and Operating Systems

- Define and apply computer terminology
- View file names on a storage device
- Store, copy, move, and retrieve information to/from various drives
- Rename and back up files

Drafting Conventions

- Interpret basic views and dimensions in a working drawing
- Identify geometric tolerance symbols
- Interpret drawing symbols

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Specific Standards and Competencies (continued)

Drafting

- Explain the Cartesian Coordinate System
- Describe the process for setting and editing drawing elements
- Create and edit line types
- Create and edit basic geometries
- Place and edit text and fonts
- Create orthographic, isometric, section, and auxiliary views
- Place and edit dimensions
- Generate a 2-D multiview drawing
- Generate a pictorial drawing
- Scale and print a hard copy, or save as a .PDF, to an output device
- Explain the use and need for scaled drawings

Modeling

- Create and edit construction planes through reference geometry
- Create a 2-D drawing from a 3-D model
- Create a 3-D model from a 2-D drawing

Assemblies

- Create an assembly in 3-D geometry
- Create an exploded view of a 3-D assembly

Sample Questions

A three dimensional model of a cylinder could be created by extruding a

- A. square
- B. triangle
- C. circle
- D. hexagon

The acronym, CPU, stands for

- A. computer projection unit
- B. concentric point verification
- C. central processing unit
- D. computer power user

The amount that a dimension may vary is called

- A. leeway
- B. clearance
- C. tolerance
- D. variability

Hidden lines in a sectional assembly view are

- A. displayed as a solid line
- B. typically not shown
- C. shown as phantom lines
- D. mandatory

The generation of a 2-D drawing from a 3-D model requires

- A. a valid 3-D model
- B. preset view ports
- C. a valid isometric view
- D. preset line types and layers