

# MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE

## COURSE OUTLINE

Faculty members are required to have the outline submitted to the Academic Affairs Office. The course outline is the form used for approval of new courses by the Academic Affairs and Standards Council.

**DEPT. MECH COURSE NUMBER:2136**

**NUMBER OF CREDITS: 3 Lecture: 2 Lab: 1**

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| <b>Course Title:</b> |
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| Programmable Logic Controllers |
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| <b>Catalog Description:</b> |
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| This course demonstrates the use of programmable logic controllers and circuits to control and power all phases of industrial automation. |
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### **FULFILLS MN TRANSFER CURRICULUM AREA(S)**

Goal 1: Communication: \_\_\_\_ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 2: Critical Thinking: \_\_\_\_ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 3: Natural Sciences: \_\_\_\_ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 4: Mathematics/Logical Reasoning: \_\_\_\_ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 5: History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences: \_\_\_\_ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 6: The Humanities and Fine Arts: \_\_\_\_ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 7: Human Diversity: \_\_\_\_ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 8: Global Perspective: \_\_\_\_ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 9: Ethical and Civic Responsibility: \_\_\_\_ by meeting the following competencies:

Goal 10: People and the Environment: \_\_\_\_ by meeting the following competencies:

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| <b>Prerequisites or Necessary Entry Skills/Knowledge:</b> |
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| MECH1125 and MECH1135 |
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## Topics to be Covered

1. Basic Programmable Logic Controller (PLC) theory.
2. Analog and digital theory.
3. PLC hardware.
4. Input/Output Field Devices.
5. PLC and system interfacing.
6. PLC installation and startup procedures.
7. PLC maintenance.
8. Troubleshooting principles and testing for hardware and software.

## Student Learning Outcomes

1. Identify and control potential safety hazards and implement safe working practices.
1. Describe PLC industry function.
2. Describe PLC program methods.
3. Design PLC logic circuits.
4. Describe various manufacturing hardware layout.
5. Identify and wire Input/Output field devices.
6. Troubleshoot PLC wiring and programming logic.

Is this course part of a transfer pathway: Yes  No

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