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### Fall Semester

- DESL 110 Diesel Engines (6 cr)
- DESL 121 Basic Electrical Systems (3 cr)
- DESL 130 Refrigeration and AC (2 cr)
- WELD 120 Basic Welding (3 cr)

### Spring Semester

- DESL 125 Hydraulics (3 cr)
- DESL 180 AC Power Generation (3 cr)
- DESL 250 HD Brakes (2 cr)
- DESL 255 Suspension (2 cr)
- DESL 260 Power Trains (3 cr)

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- “An Operating Engineer Apprentice is not indentured to one master or employer but to the Training Trust.”
- “An Apprentice Mechanic is required to work 6,000 hours on the job and Service Oilers 4,000.
- The length of time averages between 3 to 6 years for an apprentice to complete the program.”
- “Wages: Apprentices receive a percentage of the journey person wage starting at 60% and progressing to 100%.
- During this time the apprentice must attend job related training of a minimum of 432 unpaid hours.
- “As an Operating Engineer it is common to work away from home. This means you may have to stay at a camp or in some cases find your own lodging.”

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The University of Alaska is an AA/EO educational institution
Minimum Qualifications to Enter the Apprenticeship

Before you apply, you need to meet the following:

♦ Be at least 18 years of age by application deadline.
♦ Have a high school diploma or GED.
♦ Must have a valid drivers license with no DUI’s in the past 3 years.

Selected students who:

1. Complete the Heavy Duty Diesel Occupational Endorsement at UAS with a C+ average or better and,
2. meet the minimum qualifications for entry into the apprenticeship program (see next page) and,
3. have submitted all the required documents (see next page)

may have their names placed at the top of the Alaska Operating Engineers Training Trust (AOE/ETT) apprenticeship wait list. If an apprentice position opens, the first name on the list will be called to become an apprentice. *That name could be yours!*

Required Documents

The following documents are required along with an apprenticeship application: if any items are missing or incomplete, your application will not be considered.

1. Copy of birth certificate.
2. Copy of high school diploma or GED certificate.
3. High school transcripts or GED grades.
4. Copy of social security card.
5. Copy of DD214 (if Veteran).
6. Copy of valid driver’s license (must be Alaska driver’s license by start of training). Applicants living in rural Alaska (without road system), please contact the Alaska Operating Engineers Employers Training Trust office.
7. Background check with the State Troopers office.
8. 3 year DMV record (showing no DUI’s in last 3 years).
9. Copies of score reports from Work Keys test (Call the AOE/ETT for assistance.)

If selected you will be required to:

♦ Pass a drug test.
♦ Have CDL written test completed and medical card.
♦ Be able to obtain a Hazmat endorsement.
♦ Have the minimum necessary tools.

You will then become an apprentice with the Local 302 Operating Engineers Training Trust and complete your training at the Operating Engineers’ main statewide training facility in Palmer Alaska.

**Remember:** Completion of the Occupational Endorsement does not guarantee entry into the 302 Operating Engineer’s apprenticeship. To be considered, an apprentice position must be available, the student must meet the minimum qualifications as stated by the AOE/ETT, and have a good recommendation from the UAS Diesel faculty.

For More Information
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