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Dyersburg State Community College Joins the M-List
School offers for-credit program options in certified production technology, mechatronics, and advanced integrated industrial technology

WASHINGTON, June 23, 2016: The Manufacturing Institute is pleased to announce Dyersburg State Community College (DSCC) as the newest member of the M-List.

DSCC is an open access, learning-centered institution that serves seven counties in West Tennessee. Founded in 1969, DSCC’s vision is to elevate the region’s educational attainment thereby enhancing the quality of life in West Tennessee. The home campus of DSCC is in Dyersburg, and centers are located in Covington and Trenton. DSCC offers Tennessee Transfer Pathway programs, career technical certificates and degrees, learning support courses, continuing education and public service programs. The college is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award the associate degree. Learning is enhanced by a variety of student organizations, international learning opportunities, state of the art technology and intercollegiate athletic programs.

The Manufacturing Institute’s M-List designation is an acknowledgement of DSCC’s outstanding certified production technician (CPT), mechatronics, and advanced integrated industrial technology (AIIT) degree courses. Enrolled students will be eligible to receive certifications from the Manufacturing Skill Standards Council (MSSC) and the Packaging Machinery Manufacturing Institute (PMMI), as well as receive college credit toward their Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree.

“DSCC is very pleased to be on the M-List. DSCC has over 5 years of experience in offering courses to prepare students for the CPT. Students with this credential have followed one of two paths – begin employment in a manufacturing plant or continue at DSCC to earn other Mechatronics certifications through PMMI. These stackable certificates result in an AAS Degree in Advanced Integrated Industrial Technology. Tennessee is on the cusp of attracting an original equipment manufacturer to the Industrial MegaSite in West TN. This development will lead to hundreds of new production positions in manufacturing in our backyard,” said DSCC President Karen Bowyer.

The M-List recognizes high schools, community colleges, and universities that are teaching manufacturing students to industry standards. Specifically, these institutions offer students the
opportunity to earn NAM-Endorsed Manufacturing Skills Certifications as a standard part of their manufacturing education programs.

Companies and schools interested in joining the Manufacturing Institute’s effort or learning more can visit http://www.themanufacturinginstitute.org/Skills-Certification/M-List/M-List.aspx.

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