



STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE OF MISSOURI E-NEWSLETTER

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IMPORTANT DATES

Dec. 8—Spring 2017 New Student Registration and Orientation

Dec. 14-15—Fall Semester Finals

Dec. 15—Fall Semester Ends

Dec. 16—Winter Break Begins

Dec. 19-Jan. 2—College Closed

Jan. 3—State Tech Staff Returns

Jan. 4—Spring Classes Begin

Jan. 16—College Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Feb. 20—College Closed for Presidents' Day

March 1—End of 1st 8 Weeks

March 2—Beginning of 2nd 8 Weeks

March 10—Advisory Council Meeting/No Classes

March 13-17—Spring Break/No Classes

March 15—Scholarship Application Deadline

March 25—Spring Open House

April 7—State Skills USA/No Classes

April 14—Free Day/College Closed

May 3-5—Spring Semester Finals

May 5—Spring Semester Ends

May 6—Commencement

FINANCIAL AID UPDATE



Does your student receive A+ benefits? If so, here are some important eligibility requirements to remember for the 2016-17 academic year:

Initial A+ recipients must achieve at least a cumulative 2.000 Grade Point Average (GPA) at the end of the Fall 2016 semester to be eligible for a Spring 2017 A+ award.

Renewal students must maintain a cumulative 2.500 Grade Point Average (GPA).

A+ will only pay for classes required for first degree.

A+ will not pay for any retake classes.

A+ will only pay for completed coursework. Completed courses are those for which a grade is assigned. If students do not complete a class(es), the tuition and fees for the class(es) will be deducted from the next semester the student receives A+.

A+ eligibility expires when the student has completed 105% of credit hours required for their degree program. All completed hours at previous A+ institutions will be used to determine 105%. The number of hours accepted as transfer credit from non-A+ institutions will be used to determine 105%.

Students must be enrolled full-time (12 credit hours) unless they are enrolled in an off-campus internship only or are enrolled in their last semester prior to graduation.

Student who begin full-time enrollment (at least 12 credit hours) for the Fall 2016 semester must complete a minimum of 12 credit hours to be eligible for a Spring 2017 A+ award.

At the end of each semester students will receive an e-mail notification regarding their eligibility for A+ funding the following semester. Please remind students to check their STC student email account regularly. More information regarding the A+ program can be found at <http://dhe.mo.gov/ppc/grants/aplusscholarship.php>.

FAFSA Reminder

Does your student plan to return to STC for the Fall 2017 semester? If so we want to make you aware of changes to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Starting with the 2017-18 FAFSA, there will be two major changes:

- Students can submit the FAFSA form earlier.
- Students and parents will use earlier tax information.

These changes make the 2017-18 FAFSA form available now. Students can complete this form at www.fafsa.gov and list STC's college code of 004711. The 2017-18 FAFSA will ask for the same 2015 tax information that was used on the 2016-17 FAFSA form. Since the 2016-17 and 2017-18 FAFSA forms now both require the same 2015 tax information for this transition year, it is important that the tax information on both of the FAFSA forms is identical. Students should carefully complete the 2017-18 FAFSA form by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool on www.fafsa.gov. The 2017-18 priority FAFSA deadline is February 1, 2017.

COUNSELING SERVICES UPDATE

Counselors at State Tech promote the health, safety, and welfare of students through early intervention for personal and academic issues that affect student achievement and retention. Students may be referred by an instructor to visit with their counselor regarding their grades or attendance. This is not designed to be a punishment, but a "head's up" to help the student get back on track to being successful in their class(es). If your student is struggling with a class, please encourage him/her to visit with their assigned counselor and develop a plan for success. Students are assigned to a counselor based on the program in which they are enrolled. **Questions:** counselors@statetechmo.edu

STC Counselors' Assignments

Jason Hoffmeyer Clinical Counselor/Vocational Rehabilitation Educator (VRE) Located behind the Academic Resource Center (ARC) in the Information Technology Center Room 111—C (573) 897-5110	Becca Mehmert College Counselor Located in the Vehicle and Power Center Room 213 (573) 897-5228
Program	Program
Automation & Robotics Technology-Advanced Manufacturing Technician (MAR4) in St. Charles Business Administration (BUS) General Option Accounting Option Computer Application Development (CPP) Continuing Education (CED) Electronics Engineering Technology (EET) General Option Biomedical Engineering Technology Option Heavy Equipment Operations (HEO) Industrial Electricity (IEL) Automated Controls Technician Option Construction Option Networking Systems Technology (NST) General Option Digital Communications Technician Option Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) Precision Machining Technology (PMT) Welding Technology (WLT) NONE Majors	Automotive Collision Technology (ACT) Automotive Technology (AMT) General Option Electric/Hybrid Vehicle Option High Performance Option Light-Duty Diesel Option Aviation Maintenance (TAM) Civil Engineering Technology (CVT) Commercial Turf & Grounds Management (CTG) Dental Assisting Technology (DAT) Design Drafting Technology (DDT) Dual Enrollment (DEN) & Dual Credit (DEC) Electrical Distributions Systems (EDS) Heating, Ventilation, & Air Conditioning Technology (HVT) Heavy Equipment Technology (HET) General Option CAT Dealer Service Technician Option Medical Radiologic Technology (MRT) Medium Heavy Truck Technology (MHT) General Option Heartland International Dealers Association Option Nuclear Technolgoy (MNT) in Mexico Outdoor Power and Sports Technology (OPS) General Option Golf Course/Landscape Equipment Management Option Practical Nursing Technology (PNT)
<p>Notes: Some of the degree programs also offer a certificate. The certificate student would be assigned to the same counselor as a degree student.</p> <p>Electric Power Generation Technology (EPG) will already have an assigned counselor from first degree.</p>	

OFFICE OF ACADEMIC RECORDS AND REGISTRAR UPDATE

December 2016 Graduation. Diplomas will be mailed to December graduates in January. We still have a handful of potential December graduates who need to apply for graduation. Students must apply for graduation even if they do not plan to participate in a commencement ceremony. State Tech confers degrees every semester, but commencement ceremonies are held in May only. Graduates from the previous fall semester, spring applicants, and approved summer applicants may participate each May. Watch for commencement details on the State Tech website, www.statetechmo.edu, in the spring.

May 2017 Graduation. We still have over 150 students who still need to apply for May graduation. It's good for students to apply for May graduation during the fall semester so that a graduation review can be conducted before starting the last semester of classes. This gives students the opportunity to make any necessary schedule changes before classes begin. Please ask your student if he/she has applied for graduation, and if not, please encourage him/her to submit the application for graduation as soon as possible. The application is available on State Tech's website and at the Academic Records Office in the Nilges Technology Center.

May 2017 Commencement. Commencement ceremonies will be held on the Linn campus the first weekend of May 2017. Our website will be updated around February with which programs are participating in each ceremony and ceremony details.

Spring and Summer 2017 Registration. Registration for Spring and/or Summer 2017 classes is in the advising and enrollment phase right now. Students have been emailed, giving them the details and timeline for registration. Students who lose their schedules before the start of the semester can print new ones from State Tech's portal (EagleOnline) via www.statetechmo.edu. Billing information is available to students in the portal.

Student Holds. Ninety students currently have holds on their accounts that prevent them from registering in future classes and returning in the spring semester. Students should have been emailed about the details of the holds, so they should know whom to contact to resolve the issues. These really need to be resolved as quickly as possible so the students can register in future classes.

Grades and Unofficial Transcripts. Paper grade reports are not mailed to students at the end of the semester. Students should log into EagleOnline and click on the My Grades link under the Student Info tab to get their grades. Unofficial transcripts are also available here. Many vehicle insurance companies allow students to mail in unofficial transcripts in lieu of the college completing a form for students to renew their Good Student discounts!

Questions: Email registrar@statetechmo.edu.



DID YOU KNOW...

During the month of February, State Tech will be celebrating Career and Technical Education Month! CTE prepares students for a wide range of career opportunities. State Tech has many events planned in February to celebrate CTE month. Students will be receiving more information closer to the event dates.

STATE TECH FACULTY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

⇒ **Cynthia Cox**, Civil Engineering Technology Instructor, was selected as the 16th member of Associate General Contractors of Missouri—Workforce Development Committee.



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STATE TECH ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ⇒ In an effort to increase the amount of power equipment technicians in the workforce, EETC Accredits Outdoor Power and Sports Technology program.
- ⇒ Design Drafting Technology program was certified through August 31, 2017 with the Design Drafter Classification from the American Design Drafting Association.
- ⇒ The Financial Aid Office has been approved by the Coordinating Board of Higher Education for recertification to participate in State Student Financial Assistance Program.

Keep in Touch

We love to hear from our alumni! And we love to keep you informed of what's happening at your alma mater.

Please help us keep our records up to date with your current address and telephone information. We send a variety of mailings throughout the year which include the TECHnique magazine, invitations to events on campus, and reunion information. [Select this link to update your contact information today!](#)



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Machine Tool Technology Has A New Name

To better reflect the highly technical nature of the program, Machine Tool Technology has changed the name of the program to Precision Machining Technology.

Activity Center News

Individuals utilizing the Activity Center facility are now able to use the Audiofetch App while working out.

1. Using a smartphone or tablet, download Audiofetch app from Apple Itunes or Google play stores.
2. Turn wifi on and select the network "Audiofetch", type in security/password code: statetech
3. Open the Audiofetch app.
4. Begin using the app. Select the tv you would like to listen to as you exercise and enjoy! There is no cost for this service.

Scholarships

Scholarships are available to students pursuing degrees in technical education at the college.

The State Tech Foundation is currently accepting scholarship applications for the 2017-2018 academic year. Visit our website to apply for scholarships online. <https://www.statetechmo.edu/campus-services/financial-aid/types-of-aid/scholarship-guidelines>. Unless otherwise noted, scholarship deadlines are March 15.

DID YOU KNOW?

Central Methodist University (CMU) offers two degree programs at State Tech's main campus in Linn, MO. Through a formal agreement with State Tech, students with an AAS degree can complete a Bachelor of Applied Science in Management or a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies – Entrepreneurship Emphasis from CMU.

Questions: pgillman@centralmethodist.edu

STATE TECH PREPARES STUDENTS FOR PROFITABLE EMPLOYMENT AND A LIFE OF LEARNING

Title IX

Title IX focuses on the adverse consequences faced by victims of gender discrimination and sexual harassment and creates obligations for the College to investigate and to provide a “prompt and effective remedy.” If the victim is a student, Title IX means among other things, that the College must provide a safe environment that does not interfere with the victim’s right to pursue an education. The College incurs this obligation when a victim has given notice to a “responsible employee,” or when the College, in the exercise of reasonable care, should have known about the assault or harassment. As with the other laws, the definition of “responsible employee” under Title IX would allow the College to treat only some faculty and professional staff as mandated reporters, but with the possibility of confusion and risk of institutional exposure. Therefore, all faculty and professional staff at State Tech have specified responsibilities.

Title IX Coordinator Responsibilities and Duties

Pursuant to Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972 and 34 C.F.R. Part 106, State Technical College of Missouri’s Title IX Coordinator is the designated agent of the College with primary responsibility for coordinating College Title IX compliance efforts. The Title IX coordinator’s responsibilities are critical to the development, implementation, and monitoring of meaningful efforts to comply with Title IX legislation, regulations, and case law. In broad terms, the Title IX Coordinator oversees monitoring of College policy in relation to Title IX law developments, implementation of grievance procedures, including notification, investigation, and disposition of complaints; provision of educational materials and training for the campus community; conducting and/or coordinating investigations of complaints received pursuant to Title IX; ensuring a fair and neutral process for all parties; and monitoring all other aspects of the College’s Title IX compliance.

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STUDENT ACTIVITIES UPDATE

Greetings from Student Activities!

- The Student Government Association (SGA) recently hosted the annual campus-wide Red Cross Blood Drive. SGA also hosted Bongo Ball, Knockerball and a bonfire on campus for all students.
- The Home Builders Association Student Chapter recently hosted a ghost tour of the Missouri State Penitentiary. Students, who signed up for the tour, got to tour the facility and learn some very interesting facts about the prison.
- The Veterans Club recently honored the students and local veterans with a ceremony and free lunch.
- The Computer Club recently hosted the Annual Chili Cook-Off and a Gaming Party.
- The Machine Tool Club hosted a fall bingo night on campus with lots of great prizes.
- Intramural sports are a great way for students to get involved on campus, meet new friends, and stay fit. This fall, students competed in slow-pitch softball, sand volleyball, 5-on-5 basketball, badminton, wiffleball, disc golf, ping pong, and archery. Next semester, students can play 3-on-3 basketball, volleyball, dodge ball, ping pong, slow-pitch softball, flag football and kickball. All intramurals are free to students.



Current State Tech Clubs and Organizations:

- Student Government Association
- Resident Government Association
- Phi Theta Kappa
- Physical Therapist Assistant Club
- American Public Works Association
- Associated General Contractors
- Computer Club
- SkillsUSA
- Electricity Club
- PAS Club
- Veteran Students Club
- Machine Tool Club
- Phi Beta Lambda

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