

# Construction and Utility Trades



To gain skills for the construction or public works industry, consider South Florida State College. For more information about the courses, call 863-201-7195 or visit [www.southflorida.edu/construction](http://www.southflorida.edu/construction) for the most current schedule. Like us on facebook at SouthfloridaCCE.



## Construction Trades

### Basic Carpentry and Roofing - \$4,240.00

*NIGHTS AND WEEKEND COURSE AVAILABLE*

Location	Room	CRN	Dates	Days	Time
Crews Center, 200 US Hwy 27 S., Avon Park	0106	31428	April 6—Aug. 19, 2021 Saturday dates: 4/10; 4/24; 5/1; 5/8; 6/5; 6/19; 7/10;	T, W, R, and some Sat. No class Spring Break	T, W, R 5:30—9:30 p.m.; Sat. 7 a.m.—4 p.m.
Crews Center, 200 US Hwy 27 S., Avon Park	0106	22724	April 5—May 28, 2021	M-F	8 a.m.—5 p.m.

This 8-week certificate pre-apprenticeship level course combines classroom instruction with hands-on training experience to teach the student the basic fundamentals of carpentry and roofing while learning employability skills. Students will receive instruction on how to write resumes, cover letters, and how to handle job interviews. The classroom instruction provides the students with the knowledge needed to calculate materials, transfer measurements from paper to project, and recognize different various materials used in carpentry and roofing. Students will receive hands-on instruction in the use of hand and power tools, construction methods, and basic roofing techniques. The OSHA 10-hour construction industry safety course is included in cost of course. Students will receive a tool belt with basic hand tools as part of their tuition. Students will be responsible for purchasing safety toed boots (ANSI approved) and must wear during training. Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to install roof shingles, frame walls, repair, and install drywall. To register, call **863-784-7405**.

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**Basic Masonry - \$3638.00**

Location	Room	CRN	Dates	Days	Time
Crews Center, 200 US Hwy 27 S., Avon Park	0107	22738	April 5—May 28, 2021	M-F	8 a.m.—5 p.m.

This 8-week certificate pre-apprenticeship level course combines classroom instruction with hands-on training experience to teach the student the basic fundamentals of masonry, while learning employability skills. Students will receive instruction on how to write resumes, cover letters, and how to handle job interviews. The classroom instruction provides the students with the knowledge needed to calculate materials, understand the different types of blocks and their uses, vocabulary used in the trade, and recognize different various methods of brick laying and concrete installation. Students will receive hands-on instruction in the use of hand and power tools, construction methods, and basic masonry techniques. The OSHA 10-hour construction industry safety course is included in cost of course. Students will receive a tool belt with basic hand tools as part of their tuition. Students will be responsible for purchasing safety toed boots (ANSI approved) and must wear during training. Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to set concrete forms, mix the proper mortar to be used, and basic block laying and concrete work. To put reserve your spot and receive information call **863-201-7195**. To register, call **863-784-7405**.

**Basic Construction Plumbing - \$4,018.00**

Location	Room	CRN	Dates	Days	Time
Crews Center, 200 US Hwy 27 S., Avon Park	0106	22736	April 5—May 28, 2021	M-F	8 a.m.—5 p.m.

This 8-week certificate pre-apprenticeship level course combines classroom instruction with hands-on training experience to teach the student the basic fundamentals of plumbing, while learning employability skills. Students will receive instruction on how to write resumes, cover letters, and how to handle job interviews. The classroom instruction provides the students with the knowledge needed to calculate materials, do basic plumbing repairs, install plumbing fixtures, and recognize different various materials used in plumbing. Students will receive hands-on instruction in the use of hand and power tools, construction methods, and basic plumbing techniques. The OSHA 10-hour construction industry safety course is included in cost of course. Students will receive a tool belt with basic hand tools as part of their tuition. Students will be responsible for purchasing safety toed boots (ANSI approved) and must wear during training. Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to join PVC pipe, install plumbing fixtures, and perform basic plumbing repairs. To register, call **863-784-7405**.



## Basic Construction Electrical - \$3,915.00

Location	Room	CRN	Dates	Days	Time
Crews Center, 200 US Hwy 27 S., Avon Park	0105	13958	Oct. 12—Dec. 4, 2020	M-F	8 a.m.—5 p.m.
Crews Center, 200 US Hwy 27 S., Avon Park	0105	22734	April 5—May 28, 2021	M-F	8 a.m.—5 p.m.

This 8-week certificate pre-apprenticeship level course combines classroom instruction with hands-on training experience to teach the student the basic fundamentals of electric work, while learning employability skills. Students will receive instruction on how to write resumes, cover letters, and how to handle job interviews. The classroom instruction provides the students with the knowledge needed to calculate materials, do basic electrical repairs, install electric outlets and switches, wire series, parallel, and parallel series circuits. Students will also gain the knowledge of the vocabulary used in the electrical trade. Students will receive hands-on instruction in the use of hand and power tools, construction methods, and basic electrical techniques. The OSHA 10-hour construction industry safety course is included in cost of course. Students will receive a tool belt with basic hand tools as part of their tuition. Students will be responsible for purchasing safety toed boots (ANSI approved) and must wear during training. Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to use a multi-meter, replace switches, and outlets, run basic circuits, change circuit breakers. To register, call **863-784-7405**.

## OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

### Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 10-Hour General Industry - \$159

Campus	Building	Room	CRN	Dates	Days	Time
Highlands	UC	109	14038	Sept. 11 and Oct. 9, 2020	F	1 - 3 p.m.

The OSHA outreach training program for general industry provides instruction for workers and employers on the recognition, avoidance, abatement, and prevention of safety and health hazards in the workplaces in general industry. Through this training, OSHA helps to ensure that workers are more knowledgeable about workplace hazards and their rights. To register, call **863.784.7405**.

NOTE: This is a voluntary program and does not meet training requirements for any OSHA standards.

## COMMUNITY EDUCATION

### Introduction to the Construction Trades - \$25

Location	Room	CRN	Dates	Days	Time
Crews Center, 200 US Hwy 27 S., Avon Park	0106	22840	Feb. 26, 2021	F	9 a.m.—12 p.m.
Crews Center, 200 US Hwy 27 S., Avon Park	0106	22841	March 25, 2021	R	9 a.m.—12 p.m.
Crews Center, 200 US Hwy 27 S., Avon Park	0106	22842	April 16, 2021	F	9 a.m.—12 p.m.

Need to enhance your skills to complete that honey-do list? You will get an overview of all four construction trades: carpentry/roofing, electrical, plumbing, and masonry. You will learn to lay out a stud wall, repair drywall, and how to install roof shingles. Electrical: learn how to install a duplex outlet, change a light switch, change a circuit breaker in residential construction. Plumbing: Measure, cut, and join PVC pipe for plumbing jobs, learn how to a install a new flapper in the toilet tank. Masonry: Learn the difference between concrete and mortar. Learn to mix, pour, and finish concrete. You will learn basic hand and power tools, how to use a tape measure, safety, and more in each of the trades. To register, call **863-784-7405**.

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## HVAC

### EPA 608 Refrigerant Exam - \$53

EPA regulations (40 CFR Part 82, Subpart F), under Section 608 of the Clean Air Act, require that technicians who maintain, service, repair, or dispose of equipment that could release ozone depleting refrigerants into the atmosphere must be certified. Starting on January 1, 2018, this requirement also applies to appliances containing most substitute refrigerants, including HFCs.

Technicians are required to pass an EPA-approved test to earn Section 608 Technician Certification. The tests are specific to the type of equipment the technician seeks to work on. Tests must be administered by an EPA-approved certifying organization. Section 608 Technician Certification credentials do not expire.

This exam is offered every semester and times vary. To schedule, call **863-784-7117**.

## Utility Trades

### Wastewater Class C Certification State of Florida Preparation Course - \$1,500

Campus	Building	Room	CRN	Dates	Days & Time
DeSoto	A	112	22747	March 2—August 24, 2021	Tuesdays 4:30 - 8:30 p.m.; Sat. 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

The Wastewater Treatment Class C Certification State of Florida preparation course introduces and educates students to wastewater treatment plant operations, offers expanded maintenance activities of the treatment plant facility equipment, and a full range of process control test procedures that are required for a Class C operator. This course prepares students entering the field of wastewater operations at the C level, or supplemental training for those currently or previously employed at lower levels of certification, by way of direct classroom instruction, group discussion, problem solving, and demonstrations. SFSC offers hands-on instruction including field trips to various local treatment facilities and laboratories to provide the knowledge of the various processes and aspects of plant operations required of Class C operators. Course is 112 contact hours. Saturday dates are March 6, April 17, May 15, June 26, July 24, and August 7, 2021. Textbook is included in cost of course. **Free information session** on Tuesday Dec. 15, 2020 at 5 p.m. at SFSC DeSoto Campus, 2251 N.E. Turner Ave., Arcadia. To register for the course, call **863-784-7405**.

### Water Treatment Class C Certification of Florida Preparation Course - \$1,500

Campus	Building	Room	CRN	Dates	Days & Time
DeSoto	A	110	21263	Jan. 7—June 20, 2020	Tuesdays 4:30 - 8:30 p.m.; Sat. 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

The Water Treatment Class C Certification State of Florida preparation course introduces and educates students to water treatment plant operations, offers expanded maintenance activities of the treatment plant facility equipment, and a full range of process control test procedures that are required for a Class C operator. This course prepares students entering the field of water operations at the C level, or supplemental training for those currently or previously employed at lower levels of certification, by way of direct classroom instruction, group discussion, problem solving, and demonstrations. SFSC offers hands-on instruction including field trips to various local treatment facilities and laboratories to provide the knowledge of the various processes and aspects of plant operations required of Class C operators. Class will meet Tuesdays from 4:30-8:30 p.m. and one Saturday each month. Saturday dates are Jan. 11, Feb. 22, March 7, April 18, May 30, and June 20, 2020. Textbooks are included in cost of course. **Free information session** on Tuesday Nov. 12, 2019 at 6:40 p.m. at SFSC DeSoto Campus, 2251 N.E. Turner Ave., Arcadia. Instructors and experts from the field will answer your questions. To register, call **863-784-7405**.

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## Funding Opportunities for Workforce Programs

### CareerSource Heartland

**Scholarships for job training are provided through funds made available through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).**

To learn more about scholarships for job training, please attend a “WIOA” Orientation at one of the following CareerSource Heartland locations:

- DeSoto County • 2160 NE Roan Ave., Arcadia • Orientation every Monday • 10 a.m.
- Highlands County • 5901 US Hwy 27 S, Suite 1, Sebring • Orientation every Wednesday • 10 a.m.
- Okeechobee County • 207 SW Park St., Okeechobee • Orientation every Tuesday • 10 a.m.
- Hardee County • 324 6th Ave. North, Wauchula • Orientation every Tuesday • 11 a.m.



**The following general requirements apply for scholarships for training services:**

Must be a resident of DeSoto, Hardee, Highlands, or Okeechobee County.  
Must be 18 years of age or older.  
Meet U.S. Citizenship requirements or hold current Permanent Resident Alien Card.  
All males born after December 31, 1959 must meet Selective Service registration requirements.  
Household income falls within specific program guidelines.

**You may also qualify if one of the following applies:**

You are about to be or have been laid off from your job and are unlikely to return to the same or similar position; and you are eligible for, receiving, or have exhausted your reemployment compensation benefits.  
  
You are a displaced homemaker no longer supported by the income of another family member and are unemployed or underemployed.  
  
You are a former contract worker or self-employed individual who is unemployed due to current economic conditions.

CareerSource Heartland is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities. All voice telephone numbers on this website may be reached by persons using TTY/TDD equipment via the Florida Relay Service at “711.”

### SFSC Funding Opportunities

Opportunities to explore at SFSC:

- Some non-credit workforce programs are approved by Department of Veterans’ Affairs for those Veterans and/or Dependents who qualify for VA Educational and Training benefits such as: Post-9/11 GI Bill (Ch. 33), Montgomery GI Bill (Ch. 30), Survivors and Dependent Assistance (Ch. 35), and Montgomery GI Bill Selected Reserve (Ch. 1606). To use your Veterans Affairs (VA) education benefits call **863-784-7128**.
- Unemployed or underemployed AND under the age of 24? Contact SFSC’s Panther Youth program for possible scholarship opportunities. Highlands County: **863-784-7155**; Hardee/DeSoto: **863-784-7065**; **863-784-7365** Okeechobee: **863-824-6032**
- Have you or someone in your household worked in agriculture during the past two years? Agricultural workers and their families who qualify may receive assistance with: tuition, textbooks, transportation, supplies, career research and preparation, bi-weekly stipend for attending training, and much more! To find out more, contact: Highlands County, **863-784-7386** or **863-784-7166**; Desoto County, **863-784-7043**; Hardee County, **863-784-7155**.

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## Highlands Campus

600 West College Drive  
Avon Park, FL 33825  
863-453-6661

## Hardee Campus

2968 U.S. 17 North  
Bowling Green, FL 33834  
863-773-3081

## DeSoto Campus

2251 N.E. Turner Avenue  
Arcadia, FL 34266  
863-993-1757

## Lake Placid Center

500 East Interlake Boulevard  
Lake Placid, FL 33852  
863-465-3003

The Crews Center is located at 200 U.S. Highway 27 South, Avon Park, FL 33825

**Talk to your program specialist about hotel accommodations at the historic Hotel Jacaranda, a mile from the Crews Center training facility for \$49.95 per night.**

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South Florida State College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award the associate and baccalaureate degree. Contact SACSCOC at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of South Florida State College.