

# Automotive Mechanics Short-Term Certificate (CE)

## Program Location: Fountain Correctional Facility

Length: Two Semesters

The Automotive Mechanics curriculum is designed to develop technicians capable of doing high quality maintenance work and diagnosing technical difficulties.

### **CORRECTIONAL EDUCATION**

Coastal Alabama Community College offers Adult Education, Adult Literacy, and Career Technical programs for inmates at the William C. Holman Correctional Facility, G.K. Fountain Correctional Facility, and J.O. Davis Correctional Facility. Available only to the incarcerated who have appropriate educational credentials, Career Technical programs include Small Engine Repair, Cabinetmaking, Commercial Food Services, Auto Body Repair, Automotive Repair, Barbering, and Welding. Adult Literacy and Adult Basic Education classes are offered, which can lead to passage of the GED test. For further information about Coastal Alabama's Correctional Education programs, please contact David Jones at 251-809-1551.

### **Correctional Education Policy**

Institutions authorized by the Alabama Community College System Board of Trustees to participate in correctional education may waive the payment of tuition, fees, and special costs for only one program completion per incarcerated student. No state funds shall be used to underwrite tuition, fees, and special costs for incarcerated students who enroll in a second program of study, excluding Adult Literacy and other remedial education courses.

After enrollment, only one program-to-program change per incarcerated student is permitted, excluding Adult Literacy and other remedial education courses. All inmates approved for enrollment at an Alabama Community College System institution must be provided with an opportunity for admission to and completion of Adult Basic Education, Adult Literacy, and General Education programs. Prior to the enrollment of an incarcerated student in a program of study, the incarcerated student must be able to read. University transfer programs or courses for incarcerated students at Alabama Community College System institutions are prohibited.

The original Correctional Education programs were established as a satellite campus of J.F. Ingram. Ingram was established in 1965 by the Alabama Legislature in a Special Session by Act 110. The College was named after Mr. John Fred Ingram, who served as director of Vocational Education from 1957 until 1969. The College was initially located on the premises of Draper Correctional Center. Mr. Maehugh T. Duncan was appointed as director. After the College was successfully established, permission for expansion was granted by the State Board of Education in November 1969. Under the aggressive leadership of Mr. T. Duncan, the College expanded to G. K. Fountain and Holman Correctional Centers on December 1, 1969.

In 1970, more programs were established that met the needs of students and business and industry, as well as the Department of Corrections. With the exception of one building, all facilities were owned by the State Department of Corrections. Even with these substandard facilities, the College endeavored to provide an environment for educational excellence. Considerable emphasis was given to the needs of individual students and the development of their abilities to learn on their own initiative so that they could better realize their personal aspirations then and in the future. The institution's name has changed three times since it was established by acts of the State Legislature. The name changed once again with the merger of Jefferson Davis State Junior College and Atmore State Technical College and is now known as Coastal Alabama Community College.

### **Instructional Sites**

The College has a site that is located behind the G. K. Fountain Correctional Center. G. K. Fountain is a security Level IV institution. The general population has a custody no higher than medium and no more than two violent convictions. The capacity enrollment for the technical students is 350. The following technical and adult education programs are offered at Fountain:

- Adult Education and GED Classes
- Auto Body Repair
- Automotive Mechanics
- Barbering
- Cabinetmaking
- Commercial Food Services
- Small Engine Repair
- Welding Technology

The College has a second site that is located within the Holman Unit which is a security Level V institution for maximum, close, and medium custody offenders who have demonstrated an ability to adjust to an institutional environment. Inmates in punitive segregation and those under death sentence are also confined at this institution. Other custody inmates may be confined at Holman in order to provide for the effective operation of the institution. This is one of four facilities housing inmates with life without parole. Adult education and GED classes are offered at Holman.

The Atmore Community Work Center is located at the Atmore Community Facility which is a Level II facility. All inmates in the facility must be minimum custody. They also must be in Class I physical duty status.

Department of Corrections Work Report Forms may also be completed by the instructor. Each student is evaluated on any behavior which might reflect on security risks or release suitability. This report includes items such as cooperativeness, dependability, social habits, industriousness, personal appearance and grooming, rule compliance, and the ability to get along with others. This report is provided directly to Classification of the correctional facility where the student resides. These work report forms can also be provided to the institution to determine eligibility for incentive packages.

**Program:** Career Technology/Fountain Correctional

**Type:** Short-Term Certificate

## Semester One

Item #	Title	Credits
AUM 101	Fundamentals of Automotive Technology	3
AUM 112	Electrical Fundamentals	3
AUM 121	Braking Systems	3
AUM 122	Steering and Suspension	3

## Semester Two

Item #	Title	Credits
AUM 124	Automotive Engine	3
AUM 130	Drive Train and Axles	3
AUM 239	Engine Performance	3
AUM 246	Automotive Emissions	3

## Additional Electives

Item #	Title	Credits
AUM 162	Electrical and Electronic System	3
AUM 220	Advanced Automotive Engines	3
<b>Total credits:</b>		<b>24</b>