

**Dakota County Technical College  
Gainful Employment Disclosure Report  
Welding Technology/Welder**

**PROGRAM(S)**

**Q: What program(s) are included in the measures below?**

**A:** The institution has been approved to offer the following program(s) in this program area, but they may not all have had graduates.

Welding Technology - 32 credit Diploma

**COSTS**

**Q: How much will this program cost me?**

**A:** Tuition and Fees: \$5,652  
Books and supplies: \$130

Costs are based on 2010-2011 rates. Actual costs will vary depending upon the specific program and courses taken.

**FINANCING**

**Q: What are my financing options to pay for the program?**

**A:** In addition to any grant and scholarship aid for which they are eligible, 26% of graduates use loans to finance their education. The median debt for program graduates, including all loans while at this institution:

Federal loans by 2010 graduates: \$0  
Private educational loans by 2010 graduates: \$0

If less than 50% of graduates take federal or private loans, the median for that type of loan will be zero.

**SUCCESS**

**Q: How long will it take me to complete this program?**

**A:** The program is designed to take 3 semesters to complete for students attending full-time (15 credits/semester). It is expected that students who attend part-time, pursue multiple programs/majors or change their program/major will take longer to complete the program.

78% of 2010 graduates from this program finished in this time.

**Q: What are the chances of getting a job when I graduate?**

**A:** The job placement rate for students who completed the program in 2009 is 100%.  
Related job placement rate is not reported -- too few graduates in 2009.

**EXAMPLES OF JOBS RELATED TO THIS PROGRAM**

The links below provide information from the Department of Labor's Occupational Information Network (O\*NET -- [www.onetonline.org](http://www.onetonline.org)) about occupations that may be related to this program including the knowledge, skills and education level that may be required.

Solderers and Brazers

<http://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/51-4121.07>

Welders, Cutters, and Welder Fitters

<http://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/51-4121.06>

Welding, Soldering, and Brazing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders

<http://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/51-4122.00>