



ONE-YEAR PROGRAM - 450-hour program

- Build, program, and fly unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) to perform various missions
- Fly using various software programming platforms designed to integrate with onboard sensors, autopilots, and GPS
- Analyze, troubleshoot, and maintain instrumentation and control systems used in constantly evolving drone technology

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS*

- Current Sophomore, Junior, and Senior students may apply
- One credit of English with a C or better
- One credit of Math with a C or better
- Students who do not meet program requirements may apply under a “Student Success Action Plan” through their high school counselor.
- Meeting application criteria does not guarantee enrollment.
- Copy of unofficial transcript
- Proof of residency in West-MEC district boundaries
- Transportation is not provided by West-MEC. Families are responsible for providing transportation to and from West-MEC.

*Program requirements are subject to change per industry age restrictions, certification requirements, and administrative discretion.

COST REQUIREMENTS

Upon enrollment into the program:

- \$150.00 non-refundable registration fee includes enrollment processing, supplies, leadership, & uniform shirts.
- Leadership development training is embedded through membership and participation in the Career and Technical Student Organization, Skills USA.
 - West-MEC provides two uniform shirts.
- Other uniforms/supply requirements are the responsibility of the student.
- The dress code is reviewed annually to meet professional industry standards. Dress code requirements will be addressed prior to the start of classes.
- After Early Graduation, Graduation, or GED completion, registration fee and tuition will apply. Details regarding additional tuition costs are available at [Tuition Payment Agreement](#).

INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION

TEST FEES PREPAID BY WEST-MEC

- This industry credential is preferred for employment in the field a majority of the time is sought after by employers. Candidates with this industry credential are likely to be given priority in hiring over others who do not hold it.
 - UAG Unmanned Aircraft General - Small
- This industry credential is relevant for employment in the field a majority of the time and is acknowledged by employers. Candidates with this industry credential will signal to employers knowledge in the area but may not get priority in hiring over someone with industry experience.
 - NC3 Snap-On Multimeter

CAREER PATHWAYS

- UAS Operator, Surveying, and Mapping Technician, Cartographer and Photogrammetrists*, Electro-Mechanical and Mechatronics Technologist and Technicians, CTE Teacher*.
- Entry-level salary \$19.85-\$31.41**

*with additional education in this pathway | **Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Employment & Wages



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LOCATION & HOURS

West-MEC Central Campus:

6997 N Glen Harbor Blvd
Glendale AZ 85307
623.209.8045

Monday - Friday

Session 1: 7:00 AM - 9:30 AM
Session 2: 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM

(Transportation provided by the student/parent)

NOTE: West-MEC & high school calendars may not align

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

- Acceptance into West-MEC programs may be competitive.
- Students may only be enrolled in **one** West-MEC Central Program at a time.
- The order for filling seats by grade level is as follows:
 - Current sophomores
 - Current juniors*
 - Current seniors*
- Applications are ranked, in part, by attendance, GPA, discipline, and career choice (ECAP)
- Copy of birth certificate, proof of residency, and proof of immunizations/State Exemption Form due at time of enrollment
- Program hours are not excused for participation in extracurricular activities, athletics, or employment.
- West-MEC priority application submission date is in February. Contact your school counselors for your school's application deadline.
- West-MEC provides accommodations and modifications identified in the IEP/504 for students. Students who graduate from high school or have a GED will not be eligible for IEP services. Graduated students will need to self-advocate for reasonable accommodations which are aligned to industry certifications.

STUDENT SUCCESS INDICATORS

- History of good attendance and discipline, and on track for graduation
- Strong interest in chosen career pathway
- Strong hand-eye coordination with fine motor skills and stamina
- Manual dexterity and physical ability to use tools, equipment, and machinery
- Ability to get along with other students and cooperate with the instructor
- Ability to work accurately/follow procedures to an industry-standard
- Strong technical reading and study skills; the textbook for this course is written at the college reading level

GRADING SCALE

Grade	A	B	C	D	F
Percent	90%-100%	80%-89%	70%-79%	60%-69%	59% or below

CREDITS ISSUED BY WEST-MEC

- High School - 3 elective credits
- High school credits are awarded each semester.
- This program satisfies AZ university's admissions requirements. (AZ Board of Regents CTE/Fine Arts credit)



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