

Proactive Steps

Early Planning Efforts for Maritime Technology Students

Students should complete this after their first semester, provided it aligns with their chosen career path. It is strongly advised that students meet with a Maritime Technology faculty member for consultation prior to enrolling.

✓ Apply for Transportation Worker Identification Credential.

<https://www.tsa.gov/twic>

The Transportation Worker Identification Credential is a federal ID card issued by the TSA that allows approved workers to access secure areas of U.S. ports and vessels after passing a background check. To apply, you pre-enroll, visit an enrollment center for fingerprinting and documents, pay a fee, and wait for approval and card delivery.

✓ Obtain a part-time job in local industry. Students are encouraged to consult with faculty before applying.

✓ Apply for Merchant Mariner Credential.

https://www.dco.uscg.mil/national_maritime_center/

Applying for a Merchant Mariner Credential through the National Maritime Center involves submitting an application with required forms, identification, sea service, and fees, usually after obtaining a TWIC. The Coast Guard reviews your qualifications, and if approved, issues and mails your credential so you can work in maritime jobs.

Students should complete this during or after their fourth semester, provided it aligns with their chosen career path. It is strongly advised that students meet with a Maritime Technology faculty member for consultation prior to enrolling.

Standards of Training Certification & Watchkeeping Modules

✓ Personal Safety and Social Responsibility

✓ Basic Shipboard Firefighting

✓ Personal Survival Techniques

✓ CPR and First Aid

✓ Proficiency with Survival Craft

✓ Bridge Resource Management

✓ Electronic Chart Display Information Systems

✓ Radar Observer

Additional Opportunities

✓ Master's License

✓ Able Seafarer Rating

✓ Qualified Member of the Engine Department Rating