



## AUTO 1400

**Division:** Career and Technical Education

**Department:** Automotive Technology

**Course:** AUTO 1400

**Title:** Automotive Brakes

**Catalog Description:**

This course covers principles, repair, and adjustment of the automotive brake system and includes hydraulic theory, diagnosis, and service of brake systems. Students study drums, disks, power units, and Automatic Braking System (ABS) brakes.

**General Education Requirements:** N/A

**Semesters Offered:** TBA

**Credit/Time Requirement:** Credit: 5; Lecture: 2; Lab: 9

**Clock/Hour Requirements:** 165

**Offered for Non-Credit:** No

**Prerequisites:** AUTO 1102

**Corequisites:** None

**Justification:**

This course is required for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) certification. It is approved by the program advisory committee.

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to safely perform the tasks listed in the current edition of *ASE Certification For Automobile Training Programs*.

**Content:**

Upon completion of this course, students will understand and be able to explain:

- safety
- history and evolution of automotive brake systems
- brake system fundamentals
- master cylinders and brake fluids
- hydraulic theory, lines, valves, and switches
- power brake systems
- disc and drum brake systems
- parking brake systems
- antilock brake theory and systems
- relationship of related systems: tires, wheels, bearings, suspension, etc.

5) Apply a cultural and historical awareness to a variety of phenomena.

Students will develop an understanding of the history of automotive brake systems and its relationship to past, current, and future developments in the automotive field.

**Key Performance Indicators:**

**In class:**

- Students shall be required to complete chapter assignments (60%) and pass a final test (40%), In addition, students are required to perform shop tasks (P1 tasks 100%, P2 tasks 90%, and P3 tasks 80% to pass course) as outlined in the current edition of *ASE Certification For Automobile Training Programs*.

**Following class:**

- Course evaluation will be demonstrated by the following methods:
  - student feedback as per ASE requirements
  - students passing ASE tests
  - students transferring to other post secondary institutions
  - student performance in subsequent courses.

**Representative Text and/or Supplies:**

- Eichhorn, Lane and Clifton Owen, *Automotive Brake Systems*, current edition, Thomson/Delmar Learning.

**Optimum Class Size:** 10

**Maximum Class Size:** 18

**Signatures:**

I hereby submit this course syllabus:

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Brent Reese, BS, Associate Professor

I hereby find this course consistent with the goals and resources of the Automotive Technology Department:

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Brent Reese, BS, Associate Professor, Chair

I hereby find this course consistent with the goals and resources of the Career and Technical Education Division:

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