What would life be like without plumbers? This industry needs skilled men and women to work in both commercial and residential settings completing tasks such as the installation, maintenance and servicing of plumbing fixtures and systems for drinking water, drainage waste and vent, and heating. By investing just two semesters of your time, you can earn a diploma and receive one year credit toward an apprentice license.

Program Overview

This program will provide you with the knowledge and skills necessary to design, install and repair residential and commercial plumbing systems. A large part of the job involves the ability to understand building blueprints to assess layouts of plumbing systems and water supply. You will learn plumbing codes and theory, safety and the proper use of tools. You'll also gain a large amount of hands-on experience that involves lab assignments. Beginning in fall 2020, you will gain real-world experience by plumbing the student-built house on the Milford Campus.

Employment Outlook

Examination Management Services Inc. reports that the plumbing profession is a high-paid occupation in the construction industry. For jobs as plumbers, pipe fitters and steamfitters, starting wages range from $17 to $18 per hour.

The job outlook for the next 10 years is projected to be 21 percent higher than all other industries and jobs. Many companies have an accelerated promotion program for outstanding employees who show the skills necessary to build their company's business.

Admissions Checklist

1. Complete an Application for Admission at www.southeast.edu
2. Send us course placement test scores. Submit ACCUPLACER/ACT/ASSET/COMPASS/SAT scores or official transcripts showing that you’ve completed college coursework in English, mathematics and reading-intensive courses such as sociology, psychology, or philosophy. Or schedule an appointment to take the Accuplacer on any of our campuses. You can take the Accuplacer as part of your campus visit. Just let us know, and we'll make it happen!
3. Submit any additional required documents and/or information required by your Program of Study. Contact the Admissions Office to learn about special program requirements.

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Gainful Employment: Please visit www.southeast.edu/plumbing-technology-gainful-employment to view important information about the educational debt, earnings, and completion rates of students who attended this program.