

# MARITIME CAREER INTEREST, CERTIFICATE OF TECHNOLOGY

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## Information

San Jacinto College developed the Maritime Transportation program at the request of an advisory committee comprised of members from the maritime industry. Maritime is a semester credit hour program that incorporates US Coast Guard (USCG)-approved training into the semester credit courses. This training provides instruction to prepare students for a future career as a mariner on board vessels. As part of the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Maritime Transportation, students must complete two Practicums during summer terms. Typically, this means working as a deckhand or crew member on a commercial vessel. Students will obtain a Transportation Worker's Identification Credential (TWIC) during the first semester.

All US Merchant Mariners are credentialed by a branch of the US Coast Guard-National Maritime Center. It is important that students be able to obtain a Merchant Mariner Credential. Students must be able to pass USCG background check, drug and alcohol testing, security screening, medical, and professional standard requirements set by the US Coast Guard. Students will also be required to don full fireman outfits for USCG fire fighting assessments. Likewise, students will be required to tread water for two minutes as well as complete the swimming course as listed on the Plan of Study.

Students enrolling into San Jacinto College programs with external learning experiences (i.e., clinical, practicum, externship, cooperative, etc.) will be required to comply with the immunization requirements and policies of the clinical/external learning sites to engage in all clinical/external learning experiences. Vaccination requirements at clinical/external learning sites are implemented pursuant to the independent authority of such facilities and are not mandated by San Jacinto College. Failure to meet the immunization requirements mandated by clinical/external learning sites may limit a student's ability to complete the program and/or may delay the student's graduation date. San Jacinto College does not process exemptions, and students should address potential vaccination exemptions directly with the clinical/external learning site.

All Maritime Transportation courses with the NAUT rubric are held at the

San Jacinto College Maritime Center  
3700 Old Highway 146  
La Porte, TX 77571

Students may call the Maritime Center for additional information at 281-459-5483.