

ENGINEERING DESIGN GRAPHICS ARCHITECTURAL/ CIVIL/STRUCTURAL SPECIALTY, ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE



Program Information

All successful projects start with a good plan. For architects, engineering designers, CAD drafters, and builders, that plan comes in the form of working drawings produced by technically talented and well-trained individuals. If you have a desire to express your knowledge through computer-aided design software, San Jacinto College can give you the skills you need to make your way into this exciting field. This degree allows you to pursue careers that strike a satisfying balance between creativity, technical proficiency, and attention to detail. You can make yourself an indispensable asset in a variety of fields, such as architecture, manufacturing, engineering, construction, and the oil and gas industry, with a degree in engineering design graphics.

Central campus offers Engineering Design Graphics foundation courses: DFTG 1305 Introduction to Technical Drawing, DFTG 1409 Basic Computer-Aided Drafting, and DFTG 2317 Descriptive Geometry. Classes will be held in Building 45, the LyondellBasell Center for Petrochemical, Energy, & Technology building. Students can check the online Schedule of Classes for days and times.

The Engineering Design Graphics program at San Jacinto College:

- Trains students to translate the ideas of designers, engineers, and architects from rough sketches, design layouts, specifications, and calculations into working drawings, maps, plans, illustrations, and 3D models; and
- Offers students the skills needed to prepare technical drawings and/or 3D models using Computer Aided Drafting (CAD), design, and 3D modeling software.

Students must select from one of the four areas:

1. Architectural/Civil/Structural
2. General
3. Mechanical
4. Petro/Industrial

Career Opportunities

Growth in Houston's diversified job markets has created employment openings for drafters. Career opportunities for drafters are available in:

- Architecture;
- Engineering: Electrical, Instrumentation, Structural, Civil;
- Manufacturing;
- Oil, Energy, and Petrochemical; and
- Public Works.

Earning Potential

Architectural drafter: \$58,562¹ per year

¹ Source: texaswages.com (<http://texaswages.com>), median salary Gulf Coast region, 2023

For more information, students may contact North campus, 281-998-6350, x7765; Central campus, 281-476-1836; and South campus, 281-998-6350, x3587.

Campuses

Central Campus
North Campus
South Campus