

Air Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Technology (A35100)

The Air Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Technology curriculum provides the basic knowledge to develop skills necessary to work with residential and light commercial systems.

Topics include mechanical refrigeration, heating and cooling theory, electricity, controls, and safety. The diploma program covers air conditioning, furnaces, heat pumps, tools and instruments. In addition, the A.A.S. degree covers residential building codes, residential system sizing, and advanced comfort systems.

Diploma graduates should be able to assist in the start-up, preventive maintenance, service, repair, and/or installation of residential and light commercial systems. A.A.S. degree graduates should be able to demonstrate an understanding of system selection and balance and advanced systems.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Richmond Community College provides day and evening course sequences for selected programs to enable students to better plan what courses to take to reach their educational goals. However, given the continued increase in the use of technology in instruction and increasing student demand for distance learning courses, the College may offer hybrid, online, web-based and information highway courses in place of traditional courses in any course sequence that is listed. Therefore, students should be aware of this possibility and prepare themselves to successfully function in a hybrid, online, web-based, or information highway course.

	Class	Lab	Work/ Clinical	Credit
A. General Education Courses				
1. Required Courses				
COM 231	Public Speaking	3	0	0
ENG 111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	0
MAT 143	Quantitative Literacy	2	2	0
	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective*	3	0	0
	Social/Behavioral Sciences Elective*	3	0	0
B. Major Courses				
1. Core Courses				
<i>To receive a degree, diploma or certificate from RCC, a student must have a grade of "C" or better in all core courses for the program of study.</i>				
AHR 110	Intro to Refrigeration	2	6	0
AHR 111	HVACR Electricity	2	2	0
AHR 112	Heating Technology	2	4	0
AHR 113	Comfort Cooling	2	4	0
AHR 114	Heat Pump Technology	2	4	0
AHR 130	HVAC Controls	2	2	0
AHR 211	Residential Systems Design	2	2	0
AHR 212	Advanced Comfort Systems	2	6	0
AHR 213	HVACR Building Code	1	2	0
2. Other Major Courses				
AHR 115	Refrigeration Systems	1	3	0

AHR	120	HVACR Maintenance	1	3	0	2
AHR	151	HVAC Duct Systems I	1	3	0	2
AHR	160	Refrigerant Certification	1	0	0	1
AHR	180	HVACR Customer Relations	1	0	0	1
AHR	235	Refrigeration Design	2	2	0	3
BUS	110	Introduction to Business	3	0	0	3
		or				
BUS	230	Small Business Management	3	0	0	3
CIS	110	Introduction to Computers	2	2	0	3
C. Other Required Courses						
ACA	122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1

Total Credit Hours**65**

*Approved Electives are listed on the page before the Course Descriptions.

**SEMESTER SCHEDULE
AIR CONDITIONING, HEATING, AND REFRIGERATION
TECHNOLOGY**

			Class	Lab	Work/ Clinical	Credit
First Year – Fall Semester						
ACA	122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1
AHR	110	Intro to Refrigeration	2	6	0	5
AHR	111	HVACR Electricity	2	2	0	3
AHR	113	Comfort Cooling	2	4	0	4
AHR	180	HVACR Customer Relations	1	0	0	1
CIS	110	Introduction to Computers	2	2	0	3
			9	16	0	17
First Year – Spring Semester						
AHR	112	Heating Technology	2	4	0	4
AHR	114	Heat Pump Technology	2	4	0	4
AHR	151	HVAC Duct Systems I	1	3	0	2
AHR	160	Refrigerant Certification	1	0	0	1
BUS	110	Introduction to Business	3	0	0	3
		or				
BUS	230	Small Business Management	3	0	0	3
ENG	111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	0	3
			12	11	0	17
Second Year – Fall Semester						
AHR	115	Refrigeration Systems	1	3	0	2

AHR	211	Residential System Design	2	2	0	3
AHR	213	HVACR Building Code	1	2	0	2
COM	231	Public Speaking	3	0	0	3
MAT	143	Quantitative Literacy	2	2	0	3
		Humanities Fine Arts Elective*	3	0	0	3
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			12	9	0	16

Second Year – Spring Semester

AHR	120	HVACR Maintenance	1	3	0	2
AHR	130	HVAC Controls	2	2	0	3
AHR	212	Advanced Comfort Systems	2	6	0	4
AHR	235	Refrigeration Design	2	2	0	3
		Social /Behavioral Sciences Elective*	3	0	0	3
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			10	13	0	15

Total Credit Hours

65

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SEMESTER SCHEDULE AIR CONDITIONING, HEATING, AND REFRIGERATION TECHNOLOGY (DIPLOMA)

			Class	Lab	Work/ Clinical	Credit
First Year – Fall Semester						
ACA	122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1
AHR	110	Intro to Refrigeration	2	6	0	5
AHR	111	HVACR Electricity	2	2	0	3
AHR	113	Comfort Cooling	2	4	0	4
AHR	180	HVACR Customer Relations	1	0	0	1
CIS	110	Introduction to Computers	2	2	0	3
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			9	16	0	17
First Year – Spring Semester						
AHR	112	Heating Technology	2	4	0	4
AHR	114	Heat Pump Technology	2	4	0	4
AHR	151	HVAC Duct Systems I	1	3	0	2
AHR	160	Refrigerant Certification	1	0	0	1
BUS	110	Introduction to Business	3	0	0	3
	or					
BUS	230	Small Business Management	3	0	0	3
ENG	111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	0	3

MAT 143	Quantitative Literacy	2	2	0	3
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		14	13	0	20
	Total Credit Hours			37	

**AIR CONDITIONING, HEATING, AND REFRIGERATION
TECHNOLOGY
AIR CONDITIONING CERTIFICATE (C35100C)
COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

			Class	Lab	Work/ Clinical	Credit
AHR 110	Intro to Refrigeration		2	6	0	5
AHR 111	HVACR Electricity		2	2	0	3
AHR 113	Comfort Cooling		2	4	0	4
AHR 160	Refrigerant Certification		1	0	0	1
	Total Credit Hours					13

**AIR CONDITIONING, HEATING, AND REFRIGERATION
TECHNOLOGY
HEATING CERTIFICATE (C35100H)
COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

			Class	Lab	Work/ Clinical	Credit
AHR 110	Intro to Refrigeration		2	6	0	5
AHR 111	HVACR Electricity		2	2	0	3
AHR 112	Heating Technology		2	4	0	4
AHR 114	Heat Pump Technology		2	4	0	4
AHR 160	Refrigerant Certification		1	0	0	1
	Total Credit Hours					17