



Application

WIND TURBINE TECHNICIAN ACADEMY

Kalamazoo**VALLEY**[™]
community college

APPLICATION PROCESS OVERVIEW

Applications are accepted all year. Specific start dates can be found on our website: www.kvcc.edu/wind

Staff will begin the application review with 3 business days of receipt. There are 5 steps:

- 1) Review fundamental eligibility
- 2) Contact reference to verify mechanical/electrical aptitude
- 3) Personal interview
- 4) Submit a Physical Examination report from your doctor
- 5) Successfully complete the Climb Test

The process is competitive, only 12 seats are available each session. Candidates are offered seats as soon as they are determined to be eligible. In order to reserve your seat, we require a \$500 deposit. Final payment of the entire registration fee is due no later than 2 weeks before the start of the course. (Please review the payment policy carefully.)

APPLICATION STEPS

1) Eligibility

Our staff will review your written application for these points:

- application is legible and all questions have been answered
- written answers demonstrate attention to detail and the ability to convey information in writing with an understanding of the question being asked
- interest in a career which requires travel or relocation and the ability to work at heights
- evidence of aptitude for mechanical/electrical work by descriptions of actual paid work experience, significant hobby and/or educational experiences where this type of aptitude is required and demonstrated
- criminal history and driving record consistent with employability criteria
 - ♦ candidates who have been charged/arrested/convicted for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs will not be offered a seat until at least three years have passed since the offense
 - ♦ criminal history in the last 5 years is free of violent crimes and does not demonstrate a pattern of arrests

2) References

References will be asked to:

- validate mechanical/electrical aptitude through paid work, their knowledge of your background and skills as evidenced in school, through life style (farming, significant hobby) or other activity
- describe your overall attitude toward work responsibilities and drive
- offer their opinion regarding your suitability for a career as a wind turbine technician

We cannot accept references from members of your family.

Give careful thought to the references you provide. Your application cannot move forward until we communicate with your references. We will contact them within 3 business days of receiving your application. Please alert them and encourage them to respond as quickly as possible.

3) Interview

The interview will be scheduled immediately after references have provided their feedback. Behavior-based questions are used to aid staff in determining readiness for the course. In most cases, you will be notified of the application outcome within one week of the interview.

4) Climb Tests, Physical Examination and Registration

If you are accepted into the program there are three remaining requirements. You'll be notified by phone and a registration packet will be mailed to you.

- 1) You will be required to perform a **climb test**. We will perform the climb test on the first day of class.
- 2) A **qualified medical professional will need to verify your fitness for the work** you'll be required to do in the program. The form will be emailed in your packet.
- 3) A registration form must be returned with your payment of the **deposit of \$500**.

Please retain this page for future reference. Call 269-353-1253 or email us at careeracademies@kvcc.edu if you have any questions.

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Date ____/____/____ Name: Last _____ First _____ Middle _____ Nickname _____

Address: Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Country _____

Home Phone (____) _____ Work Phone (____) _____ Mobile Phone (____) _____

Email Address: _____

I am applying for a seat in the session which begins in _____(month) _____(year) or ☐ Not Sure

I am 18 years of age or older. ☐ Yes ☐ No

I have a valid driver's license. ☐ Yes ☐ No

I understand that employment as a Wind Turbine Technician is likely to require me to travel extensively or relocate at the request of an employer. I am willing and able to accept this type of employment and meet the travel requirements of my employers.

☐ Yes ☐ No

I understand that this occupation requires the ability to perform strenuous work (lifting, climbing, etc.) in extreme conditions, in remote areas, and at great heights. I understand I will be required to demonstrate my ability to perform this work at heights as a part of the application process.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Work performed by Wind Turbine Technicians requires the use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). The average weight of equipment carried by a Wind Turbine Technician is 50 pounds. PPE is rated for no more than 310 pounds.

Weight + Equipment must = less than 310 pounds. I weigh less than 260 pounds. ☐ Yes ☐ No

I understand that employment as a Wind Turbine Technician will likely require a drug screening and a review of my criminal history

• Have you ever been convicted of crimes against people (violence)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

• Have you been convicted of driving under the influence of an intoxicant in the last 3 years? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Tell us why you have applied for admission to the Academy and how it fits into your long term goals.

The Wind Turbine Technician Academy requires experience in electrical and/or mechanical field of work. This criterion is typically satisfied through verifiable paid work experience in a field where the use of tools and mechanical and/or electrical equipment is required. Experience as an intern, participation in an educational program, apprenticeship and other significant experiential work will be considered **when clear and specific examples of relevant work performed is fully described.**

Please provide a detailed description of those aspects of your background which satisfy this requirement. In the reference section please list individuals that can verify these aspects of your background.

REFERENCES

Provide the names and phone numbers of **at least two** people who can give information that supports:

- Verifiable mechanical/electrical aptitude: through paid work, their knowledge of your background and skills as evidenced in school, through life-style (farming, significant hobby), or other activity
- An overall positive attitude toward work responsibilities and drive
- Your suitability for a career as a wind turbine technician

Include a minimum of **two references**. Employers, teachers, co-workers are preferred. **We do not accept references from people to whom you are related.** Please contact your references in advance to help them be prepared for our call. A letter of reference will be considered, but is not required.

Name	Phone Number	Email	Describe their relationship to you	Years known

EDUCATION HISTORY	Name of School/College Attended	Course of Study
GED or High School Diploma		
Technical Training Schools		
Two Year Degree		
Four Year Degree		
Graduate School		

Have you earned any occupational licenses or certificates?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, list them here: _____

I am a citizen of the United States.

☐ Yes ☐ No

If you answered no, in what country is your citizenship? _____

I have served in the Military.

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list the Branch: _____

How did you hear about this program? _____

Have you ever been convicted of a driving under the influence?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If so, list the dates: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list the offense and the date convicted. _____

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY: List all the places you have been employed. Start with your present or most recent employer and continue listing all the places you have worked. Add additional pages, if needed.

Employer	() -	Phone
Immediate Supervisor	() -	Phone
City: _____	State _____	Zip Code _____
Dates: From: _____		To: _____
Job Title/Position	Hours per week	Earnings \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Salary <input type="checkbox"/> Per Hour
Duties and responsibilities: _____		
Reason for leaving: _____		

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Tell us why you are well suited to be a wind turbine technician.

I affirm that all information provided by me to KVCC is complete, true, and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. Such information contains no omissions, misrepresentations, or concealment of fact.

I am aware that all information given and statements provided during the application process are subject to investigation. I give my permission for KVCC to contact my references and former employers to obtain additional information regarding my background for the purpose of responding to my request for admission to the Academy.

Print Full Name

Signature of Applicant

Date

Parent/Legal Guardian *(if under age 18)*

Please either mail or e-mail your completed application to **Kalamazoo Valley Groves Campus**

Mailing address:

Kalamazoo Valley Community College – Groves Campus
ATTN: Wind Academy
P.O. Box 4070
Kalamazoo, MI 49003-4070

E-mail address: careeracademies@kvcc.edu