

TECHNICAL STANDARDS

Arborist Technician | Utility Tree Trimmer

In this program grouping, students should be able to meet specific technical standards, which are the essential skills and abilities needed to be successful in a program, with or without reasonable accommodation. It is important to review and understand these standards before applying to the program. All Technical Standards documents are available for review on the Mid-State Technical College website. (Go to <https://www.mstc.edu/programs> and select the program.)

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STANDARD	DEFINITION OF STANDARD	EXAMPLE(S) OF TECHNICAL STANDARD
Critical Thinking Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ability to use logic and reasoning to identify the strengths and weaknesses of alternative solutions, conclusions, or approaches to problems.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Follow a process from start to finish, sequence information.Adapt decisions based on new information.Handle demanding and stressful situations.Ability to problem solve complex situations while maintaining a professional demeanor.
Mobility/Motor Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Possess physical strength, flexibility, and dexterity to safely perform chainsaw and climbing operations, as well as other industry standard operations outlined in ANSI Z 133.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Safe operation of a chainsaw.Tree climbing.
Tactile Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ability to work with equipment, tools, supplies, plants, and trees in a variety of hands-on learning settings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Tie ropes.Operate a chainsaw.
Auditory Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Possess sufficient auditory ability to work effectively and safely.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Hear over sound of a chainsaw.
Visual Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Possess sufficient visual ability for observation and assessment necessary in the classroom, lab, and other locations on the campus.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Tree and plant identification.Disease identification.

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Communication Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ability to communicate in class and in arborist settings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Communicate with ground crew while in a tree.• Communicate over the sound of a chainsaw.
Interpersonal Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Possess sufficient personal skills for interactions with customers, colleagues, supervisors, and others from a variety of social, emotional, cultural, and intellectual backgrounds.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exhibit positive interpersonal skills in all interactions.
Behavioral Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ability to learn and apply workplace responsibilities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Safe operation of a chainsaw.

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