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### Section #1 General Course Information

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**Course Prefix and Number:** AM - 224

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**# Credits:** 4

**Contact hours**

Lecture (# of hours):

Lec/lab (# of hours): 88

Lab (# of hours):

Total course hours: 88

For each credit, the student will be expected to spend, on average, 3 hours per week in combination of in-class and out-of-class activity.

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**Course Title:** Comfort Systems

**Course Description:**

Covers design, construction, testing, maintenance, and repair of automotive heating and air conditioning systems.

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**Type of Course:** Career Technical Preparatory

Is this class challengeable?

**Yes**

Can this course be repeated for credit in a degree?

**No**

Is general education certification being sought at this time?

**No**

Does this course map to any general education outcome(s)?

**No**

Is this course part of an AAS or related certificate of completion?

**Yes**

**Name of degree(s) and/or certificate(s):** Automotive Technology AAS

Are there prerequisites to this course?

**No**

Are there corequisites to this course?

**No**

Are there any requirements or recommendations for students taken this course?

**No**

Are there similar courses existing in other programs or disciplines at CCC?

**No**

Will this class use library resources?

**No**

Is there any other potential impact on another department?

**No**

Does this course belong on the Related Instruction list?

**No**

**GRADING METHOD:**

A-F or Pass/No Pass

**Audit: Yes**

When do you plan to offer this course?

**✓ Spring**

Is this course equivalent to another?

If yes, they must have the same description and outcomes.

**No**

Will this course appear in the college catalog?

**Yes**

Will this course appear in the schedule?

**Yes**

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to:

1. demonstrate how to diagnose and repair heating and air conditioning systems,
2. retrofit R-12 systems to the new R-134A systems,
3. summarize the function of each part in the heating and air conditioning system.

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***This course does not include assessable General Education outcomes.***

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**Major Topic Outline:**

1. Theory of Operation.
  - a. Heat movement.
  - b. Handling Refrigerant.
  - c. Temperature - Pressure relationship.
  - d. Refrigerant safety precautions.
  - e. Refrigerant oil.
2. Basic System Operation.
  - a. Air Conditioning systems.
  - b. Heating systems.
  - c. Engine cooling systems.
3. System Controls – Air Conditioning.
  - a. Compressor controls.
  - b. Evaporator controls.
  - c. Condenser controls.
4. Specific Systems – Air Conditioning.
  - a. Thermostatic switch device.
  - b. Accumulator type.
  - c. CCOT.
  - d. FFOT.
5. System Service – Air Conditioning.
  - a. Safety use of R 12/R-134a.
  - b. Gauge use.
  - c. Adding R 12/R-134a.
  - d. Leak testing.
  - e. System repair.
  - f. Evacuation and recharging.
6. Problem Diagnosis – Air Conditioning.
  - a. Low R-12/R-134a charges.
  - b. Expansion valve stuck (closed/open).
  - c. Restriction in high side.
  - d. EPR stuck (closed/open).
  - e. STV stuck (closed/open).
  - f. Compressor malfunction.
  - g. Condenser malfunction.
  - h. Air and moisture in system.
  - i. CCOT/FFOT system diagnosis.
  - j. Related electrical components.
  - k. Related vacuum components.

7. Compressor Repair.
  - a. Shaft seal replacement.
  - b. Pulley bearing replacement.
  - c. Clutch replacement.
8. Heating System.
  - a. Diagnosis and repair.
9. Engine Cooling System.
  - a. Diagnosis and repair.
10. Automatic Temperature Control Systems.
  - a. Vacuum Control Devices.
  - b. Electronic Control Devices.
  - c. Diagnosis and Repair.
11. Recycle and Recovery Systems.
  - a. Single pass system.
  - b. Multiple pass system.
12. Retrofit.
  - a. Converting R-12 systems to R-134A.

Does the content of this class relate to job skills in any of the following areas:

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|--------------------------------------|------------|
| 1. Increased energy efficiency       | <b>No</b>  |
| 2. Produce renewable energy          | <b>No</b>  |
| 3. Prevent environmental degradation | <b>Yes</b> |
| 4. Clean up natural environment      | <b>No</b>  |
| 5. Supports green services           | <b>Yes</b> |

Percent of course: **10%**

First term to be offered:

**Next available term after approval**

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