



TURN YOUR PASSION FOR
REPAIRING VEHICLES INTO A CAREER

Automotive Collision & Refinishing Technology

[TRANSPORTATION]

WASHBURNTECH
UNIVERSITY

If you have a passion for repairing vehicles using the latest technology, consider a career in auto collision repair. Specialists repair and refinish all types of damaged vehicles, with each one presenting new challenges. It is another innovative way that Washburn Tech can help you pull ahead of the competition.

LEARNING AT WASHBURN TECH

This program prepares you with technical knowledge and skills to repair, reconstruct and refinish automobile bodies. Our hands-on curriculum covers the areas of structural, non-structural, mechanical, electrical, refinishing, damage estimation and safety. Attending full-day, you can complete the program in two semesters while half-day students can finish in four semesters. Upon completion, you will earn a 52-credit-hour technical certificate and be eligible to complete an associate degree or more advanced degrees at Washburn University. This program offers a fall start only.

JOB AND SALARY OUTLOOK

Employment as a collision repair specialist is expected to hold steady. According to the Kansas Department of Labor, the average entry-level salary in 2024 was \$19.95 an hour or \$41,498 annually, while the average was \$27.08 an hour or \$56,324 annually, and the experienced wage was \$30.64 or \$63,736 annually.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

For dual-credit high school students submission of an application, official partial transcript, and consent to enroll form are required. Adult students must complete an application and submit an official copy of all transcripts. Please see an admissions counselor for details.

CERTIFICATIONS

- + I-CAR Pro Level 1 Non-Structural
- + I-CAR Pro Level 1 Refinish
- + ASE Entry Level Mechanical and Electrical Components
- + OSHA-10

Build your best self.

TALK TO AN ADMISSIONS
COUNSELOR TODAY!

785.670.2200

CAREERS IN TRANSPORTATION »

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| + body shop | + estimator |
| + custom shop | + service tech |
| + refinish tech | + field service tech |
| + product sales | + damage appraiser |



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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

OSHA-10

Focuses on job/site safety and precautions

PAINT & REFINISHING I

Covers surface preparation, properties of metals, treatments and primers and identify paint systems

PAINT & REFINISHING II

Demonstrate proper spray gun operations and select proper/substrate materials

MECHANICAL & ELECTRICAL

Diagnose steering and suspension, electrical concerns and brake systems

INTRO TO ESTIMATING/DIAGNOSTIC SCANNING

Explore components of analyzing damage

WORKPLACE SKILLS

Focus on interview techniques, resumes, applications

ADVANCED ESTIMATING & BLUEPRINTING

Advanced components of analyzing auto damage

MECHANICAL/ELECTRICAL II

Expand on earlier course

PAINT & REFINISHING III

Expand on earlier courses

PAINT & REFINISHING IV

Students perform auto body painting/refinishing

NON-STRUCTURAL A&D REPAIR I & II

Explore the components of safety pertaining to auto collision and repair; perform outer body panel repairs

STRUCTURAL A&D REPAIR I & II

Identify measuring and structural repair procedures

NON-STRUCTURAL A&D REPAIR III

Remove and install trim and hardware; repair glass

NON-STRUCTURAL A&D REPAIR IV

Learn advanced welding and cutting techniques

ADVANCED CUTTING & WELDING

Analyze and prepare vehicle for appropriate cutting and welding procedures

PULSE TECHNOLOGY WELDING

Identify methods of attaching structural components

PLASTIC REPAIR TECHNOLOGY

Covers various types of plastic repair



APPLICATION CHECKLIST



**SUBMIT
APPLICATION**



**MEET WITH
ADMISSIONS**



**SUBMIT
TRANSCRIPT(S)**



**ENROLL IN
CLASSES**

2025-2026 PROGRAM COSTS (Estimated)

	HIGH SCHOOL	ADULT
Tuition	\$165	\$8,580
All other fees	\$841	\$3,018
TOTAL	\$996	\$11,598

ADDITIONAL CHARGES (Estimated)

	HIGH SCHOOL	ADULT
Tools/Books	\$0	\$0

The Washburn Tech Automotive Collision & Refinishing Technology program is in alignment with the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) CIP Code 47.0603: Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician. A program that prepares individuals to apply technical knowledge and skills to repair, reconstruct and finish automobile bodies, fenders, and external features. Includes instruction in structure analysis, damage repair, non-structural analysis, mechanical and electrical components, plastics and adhesives, painting and refinishing techniques, and damage analysis and estimating.

MORE INFO »

For more programs, enrollment and course schedule information, please contact Admissions. Financial Aid is available to those who qualify.

CALL 785.670.2200

TO TALK W/ ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR