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South Seattle Community College Phases Out Machining Program

South Seattle Community College (SSCC) is phasing out its Industrial Machining Technology program and will stop offering coursework as of summer quarter this year. Arrangements have been made so that all students now in the program will be able to complete their certificate or degree, either at SSCC or a nearby community or technical college, said President Jill Wakefield in making the announcement.

This change is in response to a shift in student interest, as well as economic conditions in the machining sector, and was recommended by the college's Machining Technical Advisory Committee, Wakefield said. Enrollment in South's machining program has been low over the last several years. Other machining programs at area community or technical colleges will be able to meet current student and industry needs.

Over the next year the college will continue to assess the employment needs for machinists and tool and die makers.

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