

Honda PACT Automotive Technology Program Registration Packet

The Honda Professional Automotive Career Training (PACT) program provides students training on how to maintain, diagnose, and repair two of the most popular brands in automotive. Our two-year program will allow you to become an entry-level qualified professional automotive technician for any Honda or Acura dealer. This program reflects a comprehensive foundation including theory, diagnosis, repair and maintenance of Honda and Acura based on modern vehicles with electronic systems. Emphasis is placed on current shop and dealership procedures, operational theory, and current best practices. **The student is required to work at a Honda or Acura dealership for and during the two-year program.**

The goal of the Automotive Technology department at Collin College is to provide the student with a strong education in automotive service and repair along with a positive rewarding experience while they are attending the program. In order for students to have a successful experience, we require our students to have discipline, excellent attendance, respect for self and others, excellent personal and work ethics, safety consciousness, and to be a participating member of our student body.

Additionally, students should acknowledge our practical education approach mirrors the skill set and abilities required for most technicians in this industry. This includes physical stamina (standing for long periods of time) and trunk strength, mechanical knowledge, critical thinking and problem-solving skills, finger/hand dexterity, active listening, and visual understanding. Students who feel they cannot meet one or more of the skills and abilities listed above is encouraged to seek further consulting from the ACCESS (Accommodations at Collin College for Equal Support Services) Office. Students can obtain information about ACCESS through their website at: <https://www.collin.edu/studentresources/disabilityservices/>

To provide the most extensive learning experience and prepare the automotive student for a career path beyond the technician level, the Honda PACT program is accompanied with academic courses. This approach engages students in ways that goes beyond the individual automotive courses and excels the student to complete their degree in a timely manner. Students should prepare to give equal attention and best efforts to their academic courses as they would with their technical automotive courses.

The next three pages provide additional program information you need prior to registration. The final section is a registration checklist, which includes a section to be completed with the Honda PACT coordinator. Our program capacity is limited, and the Honda PACT program is Fall-start only. Please read the next few pages carefully!

Program Eligibility: In order to be eligible to enroll into Collin College’s Honda PACT Automotive Technology Program, the student must complete the mandatory registration process and meet the following criteria:

1. Complete the application for admission to Collin College and clear any registration holds with the Student Enrollment Services office: <https://www.collin.edu/apply/index.html>

Acceptance to Collin College does not guarantee a spot into our programs.

2. Submit final high school transcript or GED. Student must be a graduate prior to starting the program.
3. Have a valid social security number and hold a valid driver’s license. Type-3 driving records will be required to submit prior to starting the program.
4. Complete the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) test or meet the TSI exemption. <https://www.collin.edu/studentresources/testing/availabletesting/tsi.html>

Please note: the Honda PACT program requires students to be TSI complete prior to starting the program. If an applicant does not meet the TSI college readiness standard, they may choose to enroll in the certificate only classes in our general Automotive Technology program (if available), or to speak with the Automotive Technology department to explore options.

5. Interview with the Honda PACT Coordinator or program coach as instructed on the checklist.

Please contact us for any questions you may have:

Name	Title	Office	Phone	Email
Elias Alba	Program Director	D-213	972-599-3157	ealba@collin.edu
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Program Structure

The Honda PACT program is taught in a cohort structure, meaning there is a structured class schedule where students will begin their classes in their first semester as a group and will progress through the program together. There will be no exceptions to the class sequence and structure, and failure of classes could mean possible removal from classes in the sequence or removal from the program. Each automotive course is taught for 5 weeks (with the exception of AUMT 2380 and 2381), while the embedded general education courses (non-AUMT courses below) and cooperative education courses are taught for 16 weeks.

Honda PACT Program Plan

FIRST YEAR

2-Day Schedule: Wednesday & Thursday 8:00am-4:20pm, general education class to follow (4:30pm-5:45pm)

Fall Semester

- AUMT 1305 Introduction to Automotive Technology
- AUMT 1307 Automotive Electrical Systems*
- AUMT 1316 Automotive Suspension and Steering Systems
- ECON 1301 Introduction to Economics (See [Social and Behavioral Sciences](#) options)

Spring Semester

- AUMT 1310 Automotive Brake Systems
- AUMT 2321 Automotive Electrical Diagnosis and Repair
- AUMT 1345 Automotive Climate Control Systems
- AUMT 2380 Cooperative Education I - Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician
- MUSI 1310 American Music (See [Humanities / Fine Arts](#) options)

Summer Semester

- AUMT 1319 Automotive Engine Repair
- SPCH 1321 Business and Professional Communication (See [Speech](#) options)

SECOND YEAR

2-Day Schedule: Monday & Tuesday 8:00am-4:20pm, general education class to follow (4:30pm-5:45pm)

Fall Semester

- AUMT 2317 Automotive Engine Performance Analysis I*
- AUMT 2334 Automotive Engine Performance Analysis II
- AUMT 2325 Automotive Automatic Transmission and Transaxle
- ENGL 1301 Composition I

Spring Semester

- AUMT 2313 Automotive Drive Train and Axles
- AUMT 2337 Automotive Electronics
- AUMT 2307 Hybrid and/or Battery Electric Vehicle (BEV) Systems Diagnostics
- AUMT 2381 Cooperative Education II - Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician (Capstone)

MATH 1332 Contemporary Mathematics (See [Mathematics](#) options)

*Courses marked with an * will have additional scheduled meeting times.*

Employment requirement

The Honda PACT program requires students to be employed in a technician role with a Honda or Acura dealership. While Collin College does not place students into the dealerships directly, we work with our partners to help fill possible positions that are available. It will ultimately be the student’s responsibility to secure employment no later than the second semester of the program. Students will work mostly a part-time schedule while in the program (roughly 25 hours a week), and should prepare for employment opportunities beyond the Collin County serving area.

General work eligibility for most dealerships: Applicant must be 18 years or older, have a valid driver’s license, pass background check and drug testing, and provide driving record. In Texas, automotive technicians may face significant employment hurdles if they have misdemeanor convictions for theft, violence, or driving offenses, as these conflict with the high level of trust and safety required for a technician role. Because technicians must road-test vehicles and access expensive equipment, convictions like DWI or burglary often render an applicant uninsurable or a perceived risk to customer property. Therefore, Texas employers utilize background checks to prioritize candidates who maintain a clean record, ensuring they meet the safety and licensing standards necessary for the automotive industry.

Program Costs

Like other Collin College programs, the Honda PACT program qualifies for financial aid, scholarships, and VA Benefits. It is highly encouraged for students to explore these resources. Students should budget and plan for the following:

	Credit Hours	Collin County Price	Outside of Collin County Price	Fees (AUMT courses only)		
Tuition per course						
AUMT x3xx	3	\$201.00	\$381.00	\$100.00		
Tuition Totals	Credit Hours	Collin County Price	Outside of Collin County Price	Fees (AUMT courses only)	Collin County Total	Outside of Collin County Total
Total for all Automotive Classes	45	\$3,015.00	\$5,715.00	\$1,300.00	\$4,315.00	\$7,015.00
5x Core classes for AAS	15	\$930.00	\$1,755.00			
TUITION TOTAL FOR AAS DEGREE	60	\$4,020.00	\$7,620.00	\$1,300.00	\$5,320.00	\$8,915.00

Additional Program Costs (*Pricing as of 2/12/2026*):

- For AUMT courses: Cengage Unlimited Online Subscription \$287.49/year
- Estimated textbook cost for core classes: \$350.00 (*Pricing based on the Cougar Book Bundle program*)
- Uniform (to be ordered at the Technical Campus bookstore): \$155.00
- Safety glasses (ANSI Z.87.1) and slip-resistant work shoes.
- *Recommended supplies: Laptop, Headphones, and USB Flash Drive*

Honda PACT Automotive Program Registration Check List

Student: _____ CWID: _____

Email: _____ Primary Phone: _____

Each item must be completed before permission can be obtained to sign up for automotive classes.
Incomplete checklists will not be accepted!

- Apply and be accepted into Collin College (<https://www.collin.edu/apply/>). Must clear all registration holds:
 - Transcripts submitted? YES NO
 - Correct Program of Study Requested? YES NO
 - Submission of bacterial meningitis vaccine online?
(If under 22 years old) YES NO
 - Mandatory Online Safety training completed? YES NO
 - Mandatory New Student Orientation completed (if applicable)? YES NO

- Go to [Collin College's Testing Center Website](#) for TSI Pre-Assessment and register for TSI test. **Applicants must be TSI complete in order be considered for the Honda PACT program. All applicants must test unless previous scores or TSI exemption is being met.** Please consult with Student Enrollment Services for additional information.

College level Reading and Writing? YES NO
College Level Math? YES NO



Complete steps 1 and 2 prior to moving on below



- Schedule meeting with Honda PACT coordinator: Jose Aguilera (jaaguilera@collin.edu) or Program Coach: Maria Rodriguez (mariarodriguez@collin.edu). All steps below must be signed off by the department.

*****Note: To be completed during meeting with PACT Coordinator or Program Coach*****

- a. Is the goal of the applicant to be employed in a Honda or Acura dealership? YES NO
Current place of employment: _____
- b. Does the applicant have a valid Social Security number? YES NO
- a. Please confirm program structure and class schedule with student. Does the student understand and have reliable transportation? YES NO
- b. Does the student understand the following is required post-registration:

- a. Program orientation is mandatory? YES NO
- b. Books, uniform, and supplies are required by the first day of class? YES NO
- c. Students are required to submit a Type-3 driving record? YES NO
- d. Students are required to complete the Bennett Mechanical test for information gathering? YES NO

- c. Does the student understand that failure of classes, failure to comply and meet lab standards, academic dishonesty, and violating student code of conduct are grounds for dismissal from the program and removal of department permission? YES NO

- d. Background and Work Eligibility acknowledgement: Does the student understand that any criminal and driving history may be evaluated by the dealership and may be grounds for possible denial of employment at a Honda or Acura dealership? YES NO

- e. All paperwork and test results completed. YES NO

Please note: Our programs are based on received checklist and the criteria mentioned throughout this packet. Permits will be issued until there is no more space in classes. The department has the right to revoke permits at any time, including if you do not register and/or get dropped for non-payment.

Student has read the Honda PACT Automotive Technology Program packet and **UNDERSTANDS and ACCEPTS** the requirements of the Honda PACT program at Collin College.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Department Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please refer to www.collin.edu for registration dates and payment deadlines.

Departmental Use only:
 Permits issued. Date: _____ Waitlisted Revoked Checklist (Reason: _____)

Additional Notes: