

CUYAMACA COLLEGE
COURSE OUTLINE OF RECORD

Automotive Technology 283 – Advanced Engine Performance

1 hour lecture, 1 unit

Catalog Description

This lecture course describes and demonstrates proper diagnosis and repair of advanced engine performance systems using diagnostic methods, including programming. Use the scan tool, reference values, mode 6 data, and follow pinpoint tests to diagnose intermittent related DTC's and symptoms. This course is part of a three course series including 283L Advanced Engine Performance Laboratory, 283T Advanced Engine Performance Assessment Test Out, and Work Experience courses.

Prerequisite

“C” grade or higher or “Pass” or the equivalent in: AUTO 162T Electronics Diagnosis and Repair Assessment Test Out, and 181T Engine Performance I Ignition and Fuel Systems Assessment Test Out, and 183T Engine Performance II Intake Exhaust Emissions Systems Assessment Test Out.

Entrance Skills

Without the following skills, competencies, and knowledge, students entering this course will be highly unlikely to succeed:

- 1) Demonstrate computer input and output tests and activation using a scan tool
- 2) Obtain and describe normal and abnormal waveforms using a lab-scope
- 3) Test thermistor, potentiometer, variable reluctance, pressure, Hall-effect and related sensors
- 4) Graph and interpret system data using PIDS on a scan tool
- 5) Diagnose and repair computer communication networking faults
- 6) Describe types and functions of computer memory including RAM, ROM, and PROM
- 7) Demonstrate proper diagnosis and repair of electronic system concerns
- 8) Describe the operation of various engine performance sensors and actuators of intake and fuel systems
- 9) Use a scan tool to select PIDs and create a map display of normal engine system operation.
- 10) Demonstrate knowledge of various ignition systems including waste spark, coil on plug, and driver on plug systems
- 11) Describe various types of fuel systems including throttle body injection, multiport injection, and direct fuel injection
- 12) Diagnose fuel and ignition related concerns using the work shop manual, and by performing system tests
- 13) Describe various sensor inputs and actuators of ignition and fuel systems.
- 14) Use system tests to differentiate between mechanical and engine performance concerns
- 15) Describe the operation of various engine performance sensors and actuators of intake and exhaust related systems
- 16) Use a scan tool to select PIDs and create a map display of engine system related to the operation of air intake and exhaust emission
- 17) Demonstrate knowledge of various intake systems including variable intake, naturally aspirated, and forced air induction
- 18) Describe various types of exhaust system components including catalytic converters, exhaust manifolds, secondary air, and the sensors used to monitor oxygen and pressure.
- 19) Diagnose emission concerns of exhaust gas recirculation, positive crankcase ventilation, intake, air, and evaporative fuel controls
- 20) Use system tests to determine normal and abnormal air and exhaust systems operations

- 21) Identify incomplete and complete system monitors
- 22) Identify freeze frame data

Course Content

- 1) Lecture:
 - a. Introduction and safety
 - b. High pressure fuel rail systems
 - c. Engine turbo pressure monitoring
 - d. Low pressure fuel system effects on high pressure
 - e. Heated wide band oxygen sensors (HEGO)
 - f. Sensor PID mapping of manifold absolute pressure sensors
 - g. Injector service and replacement
 - h. Voltage and resistance measurements of high pressure injectors
 - i. Amperage mapping of high pressure injectors
 - j. Input devices
 - k. Output devices
 - l. Computer-controlled gasoline direct fuel injection systems
 - m. Advanced mapping of turbo chargers and controls
 - n. Advanced scan tool programming and actuations
 - o. Reference values and charts related to selecting PIDS based on symptoms
 - p. Large PID map to narrow small PID map

Course Objectives

Students will be able to:

- 1) Demonstrate standardized safety and hazardous waste handling practices.
- 2) Relate actual values to normal values.
- 3) Diagnose faults using powertrain control values and reference charts comparing values.
- 4) Independently perform tests on high pressure fuel systems.
- 5) Perform low pressure fuel system tests.
- 6) Release high pressure to safely repair high pressure systems.
- 7) Perform turbo charger performance tests.
- 8) Utilize the manufacturer's electronic information system to locate application, test and repair procedures as they apply to dual manifold low pressure and gasoline direct injection turbo charged engine systems.
- 9) Diagnose engine performance problems with high voltage injectors.
- 10) Use reference values to create movies and maps of PID data to identify faults.
- 11) Demonstrate Mode 6 data.
- 12) Identify code strategy and permanent DTCs.

Method of Evaluation

A grading system will be established by the instructor and implemented uniformly. Grades will be based on demonstrated proficiency in subject matter determined by multiple measurements for evaluation, one of which must be essay exams, and skills demonstration.

- 1) Skills-based summative assessment that measures students' ability to successfully evaluate out of range PID values or intermittent sensor faults.
- 2) Practical exercises that measure students' progress toward mastering tasks related to diagnosis, replacement, repair, testing of engine performance system advanced PID mapping.
- 3) Student portfolio of competencies record book.
- 4) Web based training modules.
- 5) Performance projects.
- 6) Mobile technologies used for live and recorded demonstrations.

Special Materials Required of Student

- 1) Approved safety glasses.

- 2) High speed internet connection
- 3) Students will have access to testing tools and equipment while on campus
- 4) Safety uniform dress code is required while in the lab on camera
- 5) Large screen capability from smart device, tablet, or computer

Minimum Instructional Facilities

- 1) Auto tech lab (20 service bays)
- 2) Various training vehicles
- 3) Smart classroom
- 4) Diagnostic tools and equipment

Method of Instruction

- 1) Demonstration
- 2) Individual assistance
- 3) Feedback of repair processes regardless of successful or unsuccessful

Out-of-Class Assignments

- 1) **Reading:** assigned course materials, manuals, content on websites, and more.
- 2) **Writing:** assignments where students describe the required tasks related to diagnosis, replacement, repair, and testing of engine performance system advanced PID mapping, and more.
- 3) **Other:** web-based training modules (pass online pretests prior to laboratory "Test Out"), portfolio performance projects related to engine performance system advanced PID mapping, and more.

Texts and References

- 1) Required (representative example):
 - a. Student workbooks – will be provided electronically.
 - b. Required: VanGelder, Kirk. Fundamentals of Automotive Technology. Jones and Bartlett Learning, 2023.
 - c. Web Based Training Modules will be provided electronically.
 - d. Workshop Manuals will be provided electronically.
- 2) Supplemental: None

Student Learning Outcomes

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

- 1) Accurately describe and repair various conditions of advanced engine performance systems.
- 2) Identify advanced drivability systems by navigating the workshop manual bases on symptoms or codes.
- 3) Communicate effectively and professionally in a diverse setting that includes prospective colleagues, clients, and supervisors.
- 4) Comply with environmental health and safety regulations at the state and federal levels.