

# MESABI RANGE COLLEGE

## Course Outline

**Course Title:** Introduction to Process Control  
**Semester Course Prefix and Number:** ECM 1275  
**Old Quarter Course Prefix and Number:**

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**Number of Credits:** 2      **Number of Lecture Credits:** 1  
**Semester(s) Offered:** Spr      **Number of Lab Credits:** 1      **Number of Lab Hours:** 2  
**Class Size:** 24      **Number of Studio/Demonstration/Internship Credits:**  
Negotiated by AASC on:  
(date)

### Course Purpose Code:

- 0 – Developmental Courses
- 1 – Non-transferable
- 2 – Technical course related to career programs
- 3 – College course which has the primary goal of applying certain concepts (e.g. vocal ensemble)
- 4 – Other college course not considered a part of MNTC (e.g. computer science, health, physical education)
- 5 – Course which is intended to fulfill the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MNTC) requirements or intended for transfer.
- 9 – Continuing Education/Customized Training specialized credit course (not occurring in 0-5)

### Catalog Description:

The course is a "Hybrid" or "Blended" course with the majority of the learning environment traditional in-class lectures and hands-on lab work which also includes Web-based learning activities to complement face-to-face work. This course is an introduction to industrial process control. The course will cover basic definitions, types of control, symbols and prints, instruments used in control, and elementary control loop design. The course will identify the duties and tasks performed by instrumentation technicians. The course is a prerequisite to additional instrumentation courses offered by Mesabi Range College.

### Prerequisites and/or recommended entry skills/knowledge:

Course Prerequisite(s): ECM 1253, ECM 1233, ECM 1243, ECM 1295, ECM 1244  
Reading Prerequisite: None  
Composition Prerequisite: None  
Mathematics Prerequisite: None

### Career Programs and Transfer Majors Accessing this Course:

Electrical Controls and Maintenance Diploma  
Electrical Controls and Maintenance AAS

### Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal(s) partially met by this course if applicable:

(Notes: No more than two goals may be met by any one course. AASC review and the Chief Academic Officer's approval are required.)

- 0.  None
- 1.  Communications
- 2.  Critical Thinking
- 3.  Natural Sciences
- 4.  Mathematical/Logical Reasoning
- 5.  History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences
- 6.  The Humanities and Fine Arts
- 7.  Human Diversity
- 8.  Global Perspectives
- 9.  Ethical and Civic Responsibility
- 10.  People and the Environment

**Learning Outcomes:** (including any relevant competencies listed in the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum)

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

Identify safe work rules and procedures.

Define process control terms used in process control

Identify the function, purpose and location of different instruments in a control loop.

Install, wire and calibrate instruments in indicator loops.

Describe controller functions and parameters

Identify symbols and diagramming of P&ID prints

**Student Assessment Methods:**

Assessment made of lab assignments, worksheets, and papers using rubrics and check lists. Tests and quizzes of technical knowledge to be given at regular intervals during semester.

**Use of Instructional Technology:** (includes software, interactive video and other instructional technologies):

ECM Laptop Computer Lease with Industrial Software

**Additional Special Information:** (special fees, directives on hazardous materials, etc.)

Laptop Computer Lease and Required Tool List

**Transfer Information:** (Please list colleges/majors that accept this course in transfer.)

None

**Affiliated Mesabi Range College Courses and Programs:**

**Approvals:**

Body	Representative Signatures	Date
Faculty Association		
Academic Affairs Standards Committee		
Chief Academic Officer		

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