

# GUIDED PATHWAY: AUTO BODY PAINTER CERTIFICATE

MANUFACTURING and INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY CAREER PATH



For more information, visit the [Dallas College Auto Body webpage](http://www.dcccd.edu/AutoBody) [www.dcccd.edu/AutoBody] and your academic advisor at the Eastfield Campus.

This is an example course sequence for students interested in pursuing the Auto Body Painter Certificate. It does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. Following this pathway will help you earn an Auto Body Painter Certificate. Courses from this certificate may apply to the related A.A.S. degree. Students must earn at least 25% of the credit hours required for graduation through instruction by Dallas College. See catalog for [official certificate requirements](#).

The Auto Body Painter Certificate provides instruction leading to positions in the auto collision industry in paint refinishing. Courses include surface preparation, overall refinishing, and paint mixing and tinting. You receive training using lab modules, live projects, and cooperative work experience. Courses that complete the Auto Body Painter Certificate are noted below.

Students pursuing this certificate are waived from the [Texas Success Initiative \(TSI\)](#) standards, but must meet course prerequisites, as long as the student completes the TSI waiver form prior to enrollment.

Catalog Year	2021-2022	You may use this pathway if you entered Dallas College on or before this date.
Degree Type	Level I Certificate	
GPA Requirement	Student must earn a GPA of 2.0 or higher	
<a href="#">TSI</a>	May be Exempt	

## SEMESTER-BY-SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS

All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students. This is not an official degree plan. See catalog for [official certificate requirements](#).

### CERTIFICATE MINIMUM: 21 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS

#### SEMESTER 1

Total Hours: 11

[ABDR 1419](#) – Basic Metal Repair  
[ABDR 1431](#) – Basic Refinishing  
[ABDR 1307](#) – Collision Repair Welding

#### SEMESTER 1 ACTION ITEMS

1. Meet with your advisor to confirm your academic/career goals before the end of the semester.
2. Meet with a career advisor or coach to research your career options and opportunities for job shadowing.
3. Meet with a faculty or career advisor regarding placement for ABDR 2380 or ABDR 2388.

#### SEMESTER 2

Total Hours: 10

[ABDR 1458](#) – Intermediate Refinishing  
[ABDR 2353](#) – Color Analysis and Paint Matching  
**CHOOSE ONE:** [ABDR 2380](#) – Cooperative Education-Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician  
[ABDR 2388](#) – Internship-Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician

#### SEMESTER 2 ACTION ITEMS

1. Meet with a career advisor or coach for assistance in preparing for job search.
2. Meet with your advisor to apply for the Auto Body Painter Certificate.

**PATHWAY TOTAL: 21 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS**