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## Ford ASSET MAP32 Program



Centennial College has enjoyed an excellent relationship with Ford Motor Company for many years and is the facility that FORD chose to prepare their Automotive Technicians for their future. The training and skills needed to service their world class vehicles has been provided by a unique educational partnership between this College and Ford Motor Company.

The FORD ASSET PROGRAM is one of the corporate sponsored Modified Apprenticeship Programs (MAP) available at Centennial College. To be eligible for admission to the program, the apprentice is required to be employed and sponsored by a FORD Dealer. The apprentice will attend Centennial College for a four week training session and then will return to work at their dealer for a period of four weeks. This cycle will repeat a total of eight times, after which the apprentice will graduate from the program.

The involvement of FORD MOTOR COMPANY provides the students with access to the latest developments in technology, state of the art diagnostic equipment, the most up to date training materials and the status of 'SENIOR TECHNICIAN' when the apprentice completes the program.

The FORD ASSET PROGRAM is taught by Professors Roger Gouveia (also the Coordinator) and Steve Tunney. Steve has been with the program from the start, which accounts for most of his teaching career.

Steve is currently on Sabbatical and we are fortunate to have Ray Hyduk teaching with Roger for the 2009/10 academic year. Ray is a FORD Master Technician with prior teaching experience at Centennial. The combined experience and dedication of these professionals make the FORD ASSET PROGRAM a top quality apprenticeship experience.

## Centennial Partners with GM in Africa

Centennial College has now partnered with General Motors and the Industrial Training Council of the Egyptian government to open Africa's first national automotive apprenticeship training program modeled after Centennial's successful GM-ASEP Modified Apprenticeship Program. Students will complete an 18 month program that alternates work experience with classroom theory. When the program is complete they will be offered positions at General Motors retailers throughout Egypt.

Centennial is providing management, mentorship and train the trainer sessions for faculty at the school. Instructors have attended sessions at the Ashtonbee Campus as well as the GM training centre in Richmond Hill and are now bringing Centennial's high level of teaching excellence to Egypt.

In the picture below, Rajeev Chaba, Chairman and Managing Director of General Motors Egypt ; Tim Franks, Centennial program manager and Amr Assal , Head of the Industrial Development Authority are shown cutting the ribbon at the official inauguration of the General Motors Egypt technical training centre.



First intake of students below with instructors at the General Motors Egypt technical training centre.



View the SoT video (2 minutes) by clicking [here](#)