There are currently more than 2,500,000 off-highway construction vehicles in operation in the United States. Today’s construction equipment is “high-tech,” and it is rapidly becoming even more “high-tech.” That is creating a great demand for career professionals with the high level of technical education, skills and expertise required to service and maintain these expensive vehicles. Construction equipment literally shapes the world we live in. It plays an essential part in the construction of roads and bridges, office buildings, homes, schools, and hospitals, and is essential in mining, forestry, energy, utility — and more.

The construction equipment industry is one of the world’s most technologically advanced. AED (Associated Equipment Distributors) construction equipment dealers need knowledgeable, skilled technicians to test equipment, diagnose problems, and make repairs — creating job openings for talented young men and women like you. The construction equipment industry provides interesting work, the opportunity to grow personally and professionally, and excellent financial compensation. Today, there is a critical need in the industry for construction equipment technicians.

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facts about the construction industry

Total construction spending in the U.S., in terms of annual value of construction put in place, is nearly $1 trillion.
(Source: U.S. Census Bureau)

More than 2,500,000 off-highway construction vehicles operate in the United States.
(Source: U.S. Department of Labor)

More than 40,000 U.S. technicians repair construction equipment diesel engines, farm equipment, buses and trucks.
(Source: U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics)

Over 4,500 technicians each year through 2022 to meet demand.
(Source: U.S. Department of Labor)

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Construction spending in the United States is nearly 1 trillion dollars, in the annual value of construction put in place, including all private and public construction, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

The growing construction equipment industry has a critical need for well-qualified equipment technicians. Statistics from the U.S. Department of Labor indicates that the average job openings for mobile heavy equipment technicians will be more than 4,500 annually through the year 2022. The overall number of technicians in their careers is estimated to grow by more than 12,000. What a career opportunity!

Motivated, high-performing construction equipment technicians have a variety of growth paths they can follow as their careers progress. These highly skilled professionals have a variety of career paths available. You may supervise others, manage part or service departments, manage distributor branches, enter the sales force, manage rental operations, become an instructor, choose customer service functions, or enter the executive ranks...the possibilities are up to you!

The opportunities are waiting — construction equipment dealers are continually looking for talented young men and women to enter the industry as construction equipment technicians. Ask both the dealer and school contacts you make about what they look for in candidates for technician positions, and how to prepare for that career. Ask for their advice about preparing to become a technician.

Visit a technical school
Visit AED-Accredited colleges or other technical schools with programs in construction equipment technology. Talk to the department head or an instructor and take a tour of the program facilities. Learn what those schools offer and education standards with broad input from industry members. Talk with human resource managers, the people who hire these technicians. Ask them what they look for in candidates for technician positions, and how to prepare for that career. Ask for their advice about preparing to become a technician.

Visit a dealership
Contact and visit one or more construction equipment dealers who are members of AED to learn more about a career as a construction equipment technician. Ask to talk to the local dealer president or branch manager; they will be happy to discuss the career and how they can help you. Ask to talk personally with vehicle service technicians, the people that are actually in the career you are exploring. Hear what they have to say about the job and this career.

Ask for their advice about preparing to become a technician.

EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

To be successful, you will need to have an aptitude for technical subjects. You should have performed well in high school in physics, advanced mathematics, and computer courses; as well as in some subjects following high school. AED recommends that you enter a 2-year technical college program that focuses on construction equipment technology. Because of the complexity of construction equipment, an associate’s or baccalaureate degree in construction equipment technology is the standard in the industry.

Those colleges with programs that are accredited by AED have met rigorous standards established by AED/Technical education standards with broad input from industry manufacturers, dealers and technical college representatives. Choosing one of these schools will provide you the knowledge and skills you need to succeed in your rewarding career.

A listing of these schools, and other career information, is available at www.aedfoundation.org.

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Motivated, skilled construction equipment technicians have a variety of career paths available. You may supervise others, manage part or service department, manage a parts or service department, manage a branch manager, enter the sales force, manage rental operations, become a trainer, direct customer service functions or enter the executive ranks...the possibilities are up to you!

TAKE YOUR FIRST STEPS

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Visit AED-Accredited colleges or other technical schools with programs in construction equipment technology. Talk to the department head or an instructor and take a tour of the program facilities. Learn what those schools offer and how their programs can benefit you: application procedures for admission and how and when to apply for financial aid. You will find a list of AED-Accredited schools at www.aedfoundation.org.

Ask both the dealer and school contacts you make about scholarships, internships, work/study programs, mentoring programs, tool purchase programs, dealer-student sponsorships and employer tuition payment plans.

It’s up to you to explore the possibilities and find answers to your questions. Take your future in your own hands. You’ll be glad you did!

To contact The AED Foundation, call (630) 574-0650 or visit www.aedfoundation.org.