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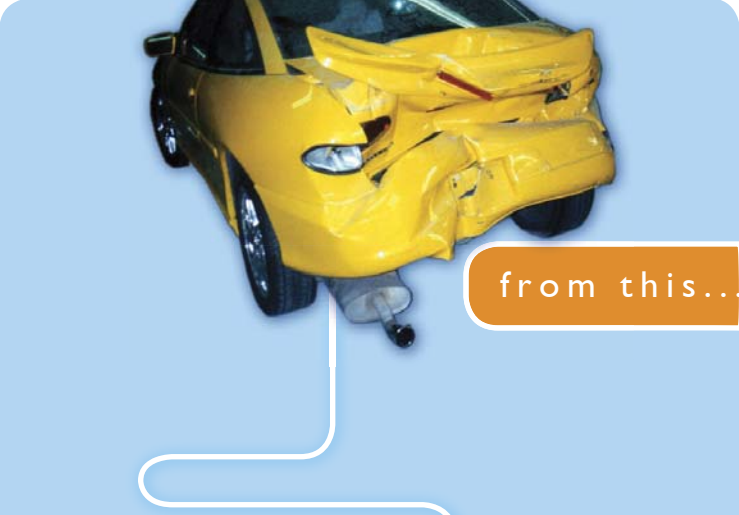
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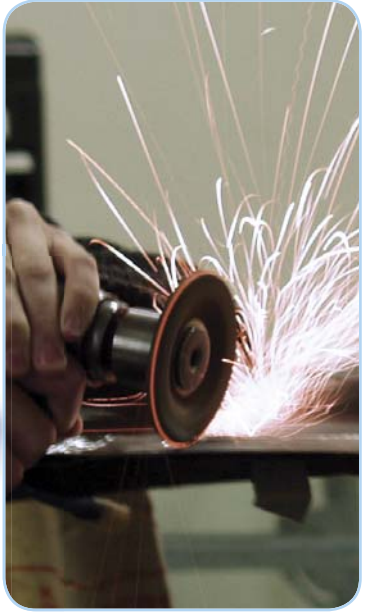


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Autobody TECHNOLOGY



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A career that's always in demand





JOB OUTLOOK

With the number of motor vehicles on the road increasing along with the nation's population, the demand for qualified body repairers will continue to grow. In addition, the business of autobody repair is not highly sensitive to economic slowdown since major body damage must be repaired in order to achieve safe operating condition.

According to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, persons with formal training in autobody repair and refinishing will have the best opportunities to obtain employment in the field.

Students who obtain an AAS degree in Autobody Technology are qualified for entry level employment in collision repair shops at dealerships, independent shops and fleet maintenance. Many of the skills learned can also be applied to aircraft, boat, camper, and other commercial refinishing and repair industries. Possibilities also exist for work in the insurance industry as appraisers or adjusters.

WITH A BACKGROUND IN AUTOBODY REPAIR, YOU MAY WORK AS A:

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| Detailer | Automotive Painter |
| Insurance Adjuster | Collision Estimator |
| Body Shop Owner | Custom Painter |
| Metal Repairer | Metal Worker |
| Body Shop Supervisor | |

Accidents happen. When they happen to motor vehicles, owners of those vehicles turn to autobody repairers. Using their extensive knowledge of repair techniques, repairers can reverse damage and refinish the vehicle to look like new. If you like cars, enjoy a challenge, and take pride in your work, a career in the collision industry might be the career for you. Choose CBC to help you build skills, meet goals, and begin your career.



CURRICULUM

Autobody repair is a rapidly changing field. CBC aims to keep students updated on new materials being used in the auto industry and the techniques necessary to repair those materials.

First Year: Basic collision repair and complete car refinishing.

Second Year: Structural repair, mechanical repair, and advanced refinishing including tinting and blending of paint. Other advanced training includes the repair techniques of aluminum and composite structure components.

AAS DEGREE IN AUTOBODY TECHNOLOGY

This two-year degree program requires students to successfully complete autobody courses as well as general education requirements which include, among others, courses in math and English. A minimum grade of 2.0 is required for successful completion of major courses.

Students who earn their AAS degree are prepared for careers in today's collision repair industry as well as continued education at a four-year university.

Autobody students divide their time between lecture and lab classes to ensure they receive theoretical training as well as employable skills.

CBC students exiting the autobody program will have completed at least 45 training points from I-CAR, an organization that helps ensure persons in the collision industry have the technical knowledge and skills relevant to their position to achieve a complete and safe repair.

BY EARNING YOUR AAS IN AUTOBODY TECHNOLOGY, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO:

- repair and replace autobody components
- cut, weld, straighten metal, and repair frames
- estimate damage and calculate labor and materials costs
- prepare paint and match color
- demonstrate painting and custom painting techniques
- demonstrate paint finishing and detailing techniques

THERE'S ROOM FOR CBC IN YOUR SCHEDULE

Autobody courses at CBC are offered in Fall, Winter, and Spring quarters. Morning and afternoon sessions are available Monday-Friday.

Open Entry/Open Exit. Students may enroll any quarter of the year and exit upon meeting program or individual goals.

STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

JASON HAGGERTY, '01

“CBC Autobody instructors are very personable, hands-on, and ready to help show you what you're doing wrong and how to make it right. They go out of their way for you. They helped me get my first job in the industry.”

MIKE GADEBERG, '82

“You can't step into this trade in a professional manner unless you have a proper education. At CBC, you're taught how to do everything you'll end up doing once you gain employment.”

ANDRE DIK, '91

“CBC has the best teachers. I learned a lot of good tricks from them and got my first job thanks to them. I'm happy with this line of work because the best thing I can do is fix these 'horses' and make their owners happy.”

COOPER LEISHMAN, '05

“I didn't think of this program as just school; it was training for a job.”

MARTY RUIZ, '05

“If you learn on the job, you just learn one thing. At CBC, we learned a little bit of everything, and we learned on the best, most high-tech equipment.”



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