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## Chippewa Valley Technical College Becomes First Accredited Program in Wisconsin

Fairfax, VA/Eau Claire, WI— NIMS announces the accreditation of the [Machine Tooling Technics Program](#) at [Chippewa Valley Technical College](#). Officially accredited on December 11, 2014, the CVTC team not only met NIMS standards, but also set the bar for exceptional metalworking training in the state of Wisconsin.

With this accreditation, CVTC affirms its commitment to uphold national industry standards as set forth by NIMS, further enabling the college program to support the needs of students, the local community and employers within it, and to the metalworking industry at large.

The process kicked off in 2013 and culminated in an On-Site Evaluation



occurring at the college in fall 2014. The comprehensive audit was led by NIMS Lead Evaluator Joan Cook (Executive Director, [RICOWI, Inc.](#)) who was assisted by Ken Heins



(CEO/President, [KLH Industries, Inc.](#)) and Jacob Statz (Program Director, [Madison Area Technical College](#)).

Looking back, Department Chair and Instructor Dave Thompson noted that securing accreditation “was a thorough, enlightening, rigorous process” that “helped us to validate and improve our program.”

Chippewa Valley’s accreditation focuses on entry-level skills from the NIMS Machining Level I National Standard, with an emphasis on CNC lathe and mill operations.

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