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CUTLINE: Southern State Community College now offers engineering students two paths to completion – a direct track and a co-op track. Pictured is SSCC engineering alumni Joe Gruber.

Engineering Co-Op now offered at Southern State

Learn. Work. Repeat. That's the essence of Southern State Community College's new Engineering Co-op Track which pairs students with local business partners.

In collaboration with leading employers—presently GE Aviation's Peebles Test Operation and Candle-Lite, as well as others in development—Southern State is now offering a degree in Electrical/Electronics Technology with an opportunity to build industry-relevant experience through co-op programming.

Co-op, or Cooperative Education, is a structured method of alternating classroom-based education with practical work experience. Students selected by the industry partner to participate in the program can expect:

- o Alternate semesters—one semester in the classroom, one semester working with industry partner, rotating throughout the 2.5-year program;
- During classroom semester, attend courses typically offered in late afternoon and evenings;
- o During co-op semester, work full time earning competitive entry-level wages; and
- o Graduate with both an associate degree and relevant experience in highly competitive industries.

To learn more about the new Engineering Co-op Track at Southern State, please visit www.sscc.edu/academics/co-op&internship/index.shtml or contact SSCC Coordinator of Academic Partnerships Amy McClellan at 1-800-628-7722, ext. 2785, or amcclellan@sscc.edu.