Focused Programs Offered for Manufacturers

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Menomonie, WI — The University of Wisconsin-Stout Manufacturing Outreach Center and Professional Education Programs and Services announce targeted programs available for manufacturers in the areas of Lean, exporting and ISO.

The Lean Certification Series begins Feb. 25 and comprises a series of six workshops and live simulations with a mentored implementation project at the business. The cost savings from projects typically pay back the investment many times over and promote continuous improvement activities.

ExporTech™ begins March 13 and is the only national export assistance program that offers a structured and customizable process to guide companies through every aspect of export growth. At the completion of the program, each company will have developed its own international growth plan and accelerated their export sales process.

ISO 9001 Internal Auditor training will be held April 10 to 11. Businesses dedicated to improving efficiency and effectiveness of company operations often become ISO certified. These initiatives are sustained through internal auditors who provide the necessary insights on how well the system is performing for the organization.

For more information and to register for these programs, visit www.uwstout.edu/profed.

UW-Stout Professional Education Programs and Services, a division of the Discovery Center, supports the mission of the university by providing adult learners with access to university education and resources for the enrichment of their lives, both personally and professionally. The unit provides programs relevant to the changing needs of business, industry, educators and the greater community.

UW-Stout Manufacturing Outreach Center, also under the Discovery Center umbrella at UW-Stout, is a partner in the National Institute of Standards and Technology’s (NIST) Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP). The UW-Stout NWMOC and their NIST MEP affiliates work with small and mid-sized U.S. manufacturers to help them create and retain jobs, increase profits, and save time and money. Last year, through third-party independent surveying, clients reported over $13.9 million in impacts and 123 jobs created or saved as a result of UW-Stout NWMOC services. The UW-Stout NWMOC provides these services to manufacturers in 33 counties in northern and western Wisconsin to help them compete in a global economy.

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