

PLC Programming & Automation Mastery Training

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Course Overview:

The PLC Programming & Automation Mastery: From Basics to Advanced Control Systems course is a comprehensive training program designed for engineers, technicians, and automation professionals. Participants will acquire the skills needed to design, program, and maintain PLC-based control systems across multiple industrial sectors. The course spans from introductory PLC concepts to advanced PLC programming techniques, covering ladder logic, IEC 61131-3 standards, HMI integration, SCADA connectivity, troubleshooting, and optimization. With hands-on exercises and real-world case studies, learners will gain practical experience in Siemens and Allen-Bradley PLCs, industrial automation troubleshooting, communication protocols, and system simulation. By the end of the course, participants will be prepared to implement and optimize PLC-controlled systems in manufacturing, process industries, and complex automation environments, bridging theoretical knowledge with practical application. Keywords such as PLC programming, industrial automation, ladder logic, HMI integration, SCADA, and PLC troubleshooting are integrated throughout the course content.

Target Audience:

- Automation engineers and technicians
- Electrical engineers and maintenance specialists
- Industrial automation engineers
- Control systems designers
- PLC programmers and system integrators
- Process and manufacturing engineers

Targeted Organizational Departments:

- Industrial automation and controls
- Electrical and instrumentation
- Maintenance and reliability engineering
- Manufacturing and production engineering
- Process control and SCADA operations
- Engineering training and development

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Targeted Industries:

- Manufacturing and assembly
- Food and beverage production
- Oil, gas, and petrochemical
- Automotive and aerospace
- Pharmaceutical and chemical processing
- Water treatment and waste management

Course Offerings:

- By the end of this course, participants will be able to:
- Apply PLC ladder logic and IEC 61131-3 programming methods
- Integrate PLC systems with HMI and SCADA platforms
- Troubleshoot and maintain PLC hardware and software
- Implement PLC networking and communication protocols
- Design, simulate, and optimize PLC control systems
- Execute PLC programming for industrial applications

Training Methodology:

This course employs a blended methodology combining lectures, hands-on programming exercises, simulation labs, group projects, case studies, and peer discussions. Participants will work on ladder logic creation, function block diagrams, sequential function charts, HMI interface setup, SCADA integration exercises, and PLC troubleshooting drills. Feedback sessions ensure participants can apply skills in real-world scenarios, while group work enhances collaboration, problem-solving, and system optimization strategies. Keywords like PLC programming, ladder logic, SCADA, HMI integration, industrial automation, and troubleshooting are emphasized in every learning method to maximize practical understanding.

Course Toolbox:

- PLC programming workbooks
- PLC simulation software trial editions
- Ladder logic and structured text templates
- HMI and SCADA sample projects
- IEC 61131-3 programming reference sheets
- PLC troubleshooting guides

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Course Agenda:

Day 1: PLC Fundamentals and Hardware Architecture

- **Topic 1:** Introduction to PLCs and industrial automation principles
- **Topic 2:** PLC hardware components and system architecture
- **Topic 3:** Overview of PLC control systems in industrial applications
- **Topic 4:** PLC programming for beginners – initial setup and configuration
- **Topic 5:** Understanding PLC input/output modules and signal types
- **Topic 6:** Safety considerations in PLC installation and maintenance
- **Reflection & Review:** Reviewing core PLC concepts, hardware design, and basic operational principles

Day 2: PLC Programming Languages and Ladder Logic Basics

- **Topic 1:** IEC 61131-3 programming languages overview
- **Topic 2:** Fundamentals of PLC ladder logic programming
- **Topic 3:** Common instructions and logic functions in ladder logic
- **Topic 4:** PLC software simulation training – first ladder program
- **Topic 5:** Introduction to timers, counters, and comparison functions
- **Topic 6:** Practical ladder logic exercises and troubleshooting basics
- **Reflection & Review:** Applying ladder logic concepts to basic industrial processes and simulations

Day 3: Advanced Programming and System Integration

- **Topic 1:** Function block diagram and structured text programming
- **Topic 2:** Sequential function charts for process control applications
- **Topic 3:** PLC HMI integration – design and implementation
- **Topic 4:** PLC programming and SCADA integration best practices
- **Topic 5:** PLC networking and communication protocols
- **Topic 6:** Interfacing PLCs with sensors, actuators, and field devices
- **Reflection & Review:** Integrating PLC systems, troubleshooting integration challenges, and system optimization

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Day 4: PLC Troubleshooting, Maintenance, and Optimization

- **Topic 1:** Diagnosing PLC hardware failures and software errors
- **Topic 2:** Preventive and corrective maintenance for PLC systems
- **Topic 3:** Troubleshooting using PLC software tools and diagnostics
- **Topic 4:** Optimizing PLC control systems for performance and reliability
- **Topic 5:** Case studies in industrial automation with PLCs
- **Topic 6:** Data logging, monitoring, and reporting through PLC systems
- **Reflection & Review:** Lessons learned from troubleshooting scenarios and preventive maintenance strategies

Day 5: Applied Industrial Automation and Final Project

- **Topic 1:** Planning and executing a PLC-based automation project
- **Topic 2:** Implementing PLC control systems for real-world applications
- **Topic 3:** Final hands-on project – programming and simulation
- **Topic 4:** Reviewing PLC programming certification options and career paths
- **Topic 5:** Exploring emerging trends in PLC automation engineering
- **Topic 6:** Preparing PLC systems for scalability and future upgrades
- **Reflection & Review:** Presentations of final projects, discussion of lessons learned, and course wrap-up

FAQ:

What specific qualifications or prerequisites are needed for participants before enrolling in the course?

A basic understanding of electrical systems and control principles is helpful, but beginners with a strong interest in industrial automation are welcome.

How long is each day's session, and is there a total number of hours required for the entire course?

Each day consists of approximately 4–5 hours, totaling 20–25 hours over one week.

Which PLC brands are covered in this course?

Both Siemens and Allen-Bradley PLC programming training are included to provide broad industry coverage and practical experience in real-world applications.

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How This Course is Different from Other PLC Programming Courses:

This course uniquely combines foundational and advanced PLC programming content tailored to real industrial applications. It covers Siemens and Allen-Bradley PLCs, ladder logic, IEC 61131-3 programming, HMI and SCADA integration, troubleshooting, and preventive maintenance. Hands-on exercises, simulation labs, and practical projects ensure participants develop job-ready skills applicable across manufacturing, process industries, and complex automation environments. Keywords like PLC programming, industrial automation, SCADA, ladder logic, HMI integration, and troubleshooting are integrated throughout to ensure participants can directly apply their knowledge to industrial automation projects and advanced control systems.