



# Pittsburg State University

Department of

## **AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY**

**Automotive technology students who want to be the best in the world train at PSU.**



**Norman, Kohlman, and Elder (2013)**

The Department of Automotive Technology is proud to be the only Training Facility for the WorldSkills USA automotive technology competitors in the USA for over 20 years. Think of the WorldSkills Competition as the “Olympics” for the skilled trades such as automotive technology, welding, car painting, cabinetmaking, graphic design, printing, heavy vehicle technology, electronics, autobody repair, web technologies, and concrete construction. These are just a few of the over 60 skills that bring competitors together to seek gold, silver, or bronze medals every 2 years. Competitors must medal in the SkillsUSA national competition to enter qualification for a position on the WorldSkills USA team.

The current USA WorldSkills Automotive Technology Expert is Associate Professor Mike Elder. The past Expert is retired Associate Professor Ron Downing. The USA Technical Delegate to WorldSkills is Professor Scott Norman. These members of the WorldSkills USA delegations, along with the rest of the Pitt State automotive faculty training team, have trained 11 WorldSkills competitors since 1999. When an automotive technology student wants to be the best in the world, they come to train at Pittsburg State University.



**Elder, Robinson, and Norman (2017)**

**Present and Past WorldSkills Competitors who trained at PSU:**

Ian Gregor	2022 Shanghai, China	Competition in October 2022
Paul Danenberg	2019 Kazan, Russi	Medallion for Excellence
Johnathan Robertson	2017 Abu Dhabi, UAE	(PSU Student)
Michael Mullen	2015 Sao Paulo, Brazil	Automotive Technology Competition
Dustin Mortsof	2015 Sao Paulo, Brazil	Heavy Vehicle Technology Competition
Michael Mullen	2014 Bogota, Columbia	Silver Medal (WorldSkills Americas)
Kieron Kohlmann	2013 Leipzig, Germany	Medallion for Excellence
Kieron Kohlmann	2012 Sao Paulo, Brazil	Gold Medal (WorldSkills Americas)
Daniel Lehmkuhl	2011 London, England	Medallion for Excellence
Daniel Lehmkuhl	2010 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	Silver Medal (WorldSkills Americas)
Jack Frederick	2009 Calgary, Canada	Silver Medal & Best in Nation (PSU Student)
Rusty Brown	2003 Gallen, Switzerland	Silver Medal & Best in Nation (PSU Student)
Joshua Boschee	2001 Seoul, Korea	Silver Medal & Best in Nation
Timothy Dearing	1999 Montreal, Canada	Medallion for Excellence (PSU Student)