



July 8, 2014

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Dear Dr. Matney:

Thank you for your letter of April 11, 2014, providing notification of one new program and several program closures.

Clinical Medical Assistant Certificate Program

This program will be offered, effective August 25, 2014. Fifty percent of the courses in the new program will be existing course options in the Health Science inventory and new courses will serve as a bridge of course material that exists in the approved Medical Data Specialist program and the Licensed Vocational Nurse program. The Clinical Medical Assistant will be able to perform both the clinical and administrative duties of a Medical Data Specialist as well as the clinical duties of a Licensed Vocational Nurse. The program will be incorporated into a stacked and/or lattice pathway system that encourages students to matriculate from existing programs into the Clinical Medical Assistant program and then into approved Health Science programs including the L.V.N. certificate program and Registered Nursing program. Existing faculty members and learning resources will be used for the program.

Because the program is not significantly different from existing approved programs offered by the College, it is not considered to be a substantive change requiring approval.

We acknowledge the information and will add it to our files.

Program Closures

The following programs are being closed due to low enrollment rates and low graduation numbers. Existing students in the programs are being notified that they may declare any major from a catalog within five years as long as they remain continuously enrolled. Courses in the options will continue to be offered to accommodate remaining students. Students will have until January 1, 2017, to complete credentials in a program.

Architecture (A.S.)	Biotechnology (A.S.)
Engineering Technology (A.S.)	Human Science (A.S.)
Human Science/Child Devel. (A.S.)	Modern Languages (A.A.)
Modern Languages (A.A.)	Pre-Law (A.A. and A.S.)
Photography (A.A.)	Speech (A.A.)
Robotics Technology A.A.S. and Certificate	

We approve the closure of the above listed programs.

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Programs Moved Under One "Industrial Maintenance Tech" Major

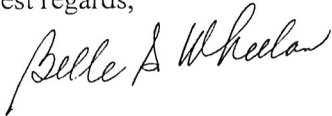
The programs listed below will no longer be active program codes and will be taught as different concentration areas under the A.A.S. in Industrial Maintenance Technology degree program as a result of a merge of the Industrial Maintenance, Electronics, Instrumentation, and Renewable Energy programs.

Industrial Maintenance Technology Codes
Electronic Systems Technology Codes
Instrument and Control Technology Codes
Renewable Energy Codes

The merge will allow for a more streamlined Industrial Technology Department that focuses on more up-to-date technologies. The above programs will now be provided as option areas under the A.A.S. degree in Industrial Maintenance Technology. Students enrolled in the programs take all degree-related courses as a cohort and will have a standard teach-out plan. Students who did not progress with the cohort will receive advising to ensure that course substitutions are accepted to older degree plans and to ensure that the student is able to complete the degree. Faculty members will not be adversely affected.

We approve the closure of the above majors and the offering of them as concentration areas under the A.A.S. in Industrial Maintenance Technology degree program.

Best regards,



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