

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Agenda
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CAREER AND WORKFORCE TRANSITION ACT APPROVALS

With the implementation of the Career and Workforce Transition Act, the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) is mandated to review and approve Private Business and Vocational Schools as institutions from which credits in specified program areas may be accepted for transfer by Illinois Community Colleges, in accordance with the law. Institutions must submit applications for review/approval to ICCB Staff by July 1st of each year and the ICCB must render its approval decision, assuming all the required information has been submitted accurately, by the September Board meeting of that same year.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the following motion be adopted:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the following Private Business and Vocational School as an institution from which credits may be transferred in the stated program areas to an Illinois Community College in accordance with the *Career and Workforce Transition Act* Section 10 and Section 20:

Midwest Technical Institute (East Peoria, Moline, and Springfield, IL campuses)

- Dental Assisting Certificate (26.5 credit hours)
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Refrigeration and Major Appliance Repair Certificate (28 credit hours)
- Journeyman Welder Certificate (27 credit hours)
- Journeyman Welder II Certificate (36 credit hours)
- Medical Assisting Certificate (26.5 credit hours)
- Medical Coding Certificate (28 credit hours)
- Pharmacy Technician Certificate (26.5 credit hours)

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NEW UNITS OF INSTRUCTION

Permanent Program Approval

The Illinois Community College Board is requested to approve new units of instruction for the following community colleges:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the following motion be adopted:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the following new units of instruction for the community colleges listed below:

PERMANENT PROGRAM APPROVAL

Kaskaskia College

- IDOC Corrections Officer: Youth Supervisor Option A.A.S. degree (66 credit hours)

Prairie State College

- Physical Therapy Assistant A.A.S. degree (74 credit hours)

Shawnee Community College

- Construction Laborer A.A.S. degree (60 credit hours)

Southeastern Illinois College

- Outfitter Wildlife Management A.A.S. degree (62 credit hours)
- Outfitter Wildlife Management Certificate (31 credit hours)

Wilbur Wright College

- Associate in Fine Arts: Studio Arts (61 credit hours)
- Computer Numerical Control Machining Certificate (37 credit hours)

BACKGROUND

Kaskaskia College

IDOC Corrections Officer: Youth Supervisor Option A.A.S. degree (66 credit hours)

Program Purpose: This program prepares employees of the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) for advancement opportunities into leadership and management roles.

Catalog Description: This program is designed to prepare Correctional Officers in continuing their education. This degree was developed by the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) in conjunction with the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) to meet the needs of their employees, especially those who seek advancement to supervisory positions. Students who have completed IDOC basic training are eligible to seek entry to this degree program and receive proficiency credit. Academy courses will be applied after 15 credit hours of program specific courses are completed at Kaskaskia College.

Curricular Information: The curriculum consists of 18 credit hours of required general education coursework, and 42 credit hours of required career and technical education coursework. Students may receive between 18-21 credit hours of proficiency credit for coursework completed at the IDOC Training Academy. Career and technical education coursework includes instruction in orientation to corrections, security procedures, crisis management, human relations, weapon proficiency, youth supervision, introduction to criminal justice, criminal justice ethics, criminal law, introduction to investigations, air & blood borne pathogens, criminology, justice administration, court procedures and evidence, report writing for criminal justice, and community based corrections.

Accrediting Information: NA.

Justification for Credit hours required: Due to the requirements outlined by IDOC for all Corrections Officer employees pursuing advancement through the Upward Mobility path, the curriculum requires general education content beyond the minimum of 15 credit hours for an A.A.S. degree. The curriculum, including the general education component, was developed and agreed upon statewide by IDOC and ICCB and includes transferrable coursework in English composition, psychology, sociology, mathematics, speech communications, life science and human health & wellness.

Supporting Labor Market Data (including employer partners): Labor market information provided by the college supports the interest in and the need for this program. With a State Budget in place the college has experienced a resurgence of interest in IDOC employees seeking to continue their education. IDOC staff continue to report a need to fill leadership and management positions within their facilities. The proposed degree is meets the criteria for continuing education necessary for IDOC employees participating in the Upward Mobility program. According to the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES), growth in the employment of “corrections officers” is expected to be around 6.4% statewide through the year 2024.

Table 1: Employer Partners

Employer	Location
Bond County Sheriff’s Department	Greenville, IL
Fayette County Sheriff’s Department	Vandalia, IL
Marion County Sheriff’s Department	Salem, IL
Clinton County Sheriff’s Department	Carlyle, IL
Washington County Sheriff’s Department	Nashville, IL
IDOC – Vandalia Correctional Center	Vandalia, IL
IDOC – Centralia Correctional Center	Centralia, IL

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Greenville Federal Prison	Greenville, IL		
<i>Table 2: Projected Enrollments</i>			
IDOC Corrections Officer AAS	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Full-Time Enrollments:	-	-	-
Part-Time Enrollments:	7	6	7
Completions:	0	3	2

Financial / Budgetary Information: The program will require one (1) existing full-time and one (1) existing part-time faculty the first year. Qualified faculty hold at least a Master’s degree in Education or related Workforce area, at least 18 credit hours of Criminal Justice specialization, over 20 years of related work experience in law enforcement/corrections, and over six (6) years teaching experience. As the program has been in operation under temporary status for the last several years, no new costs will be incurred to operate the program. All facilities are adequately in place to support the program. The program will be supported fiscally through student tuition and fees.

Table 3: Financial Information

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Faculty Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0
Administrator Costs	0	0	0
Other Personnel costs	0	0	0
Equipment Costs	0	0	0
Library/LRC Costs	0	0	0
Facility Costs*	0	0	0
Other (specify)	0	0	0
TOTAL NEW COSTS	\$0	\$0	\$0

Table 4: Faculty Requirements

	First Year		Second Year		Third Year	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time
New Faculty	0	0	0	0	0	0
Existing Faculty	1	1	1	1	1	1

Prairie State College

Physical Therapy Assistant A.A.S. degree (74 credit hours)

Program Purpose: The program will prepare graduates for entry-level employment, National credentialing and State licensure as a Physical Therapy Assistant.

Catalog Description: This program prepares students for a career in the physical therapy field as a physical therapist assistant. The program combines courses in general education and physical therapist assistant technical courses with off campus clinical education learning experiences. Students will master selected skills in data collection and interventions commonly used in different physical therapy settings. Graduates of the Associate of Applied Science degree program may apply to take the National Physical Therapy exam (NPTE) for licensure as a physical therapy assistant.

Curricular Information: The degree program requires 16 credit hours of general education coursework and 58 credit hours of required career and technical education coursework, which includes work-based learning. Career and technical coursework includes instruction in introductory physical therapy theory and skills, introductory therapeutic exercise, kinesiology for the PTA, conditions/diseases/disorders, introductory through advanced levels of therapeutic interventions and data collection, physical agents, contemporary topics in physical therapy, clinical experience seminar for the PTA student, clinical practical experience for the PTA student, and career preparation for the PTA student.

The curriculum was developed according to standards that will prepare students for National certification and State licensure. The Commission on Accreditation for Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) sets forth curricular standards for PTA programs. Students who complete the program will be prepared for the National Physical Therapy exam (NPTE) through the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy. Assessment of student learning will be achieved through evaluation of the student's performance during their work-based clinical practical experience and achievement on a NPTE practice exam.

Justification for Credit hours required for the degree: Content and subsequent credit hours required in the proposed curriculum meet requirements for program accreditation and student certification/licensure. The curriculum was developed in compliance with the Illinois Physical Therapy Act to include a minimum of 29 credit hours in specific life sciences and 680 contact hours of clinical education. The proposed program falls within the range of credit hours for like programs being offering at other Illinois Community Colleges.

Accrediting Information: Program accreditation is required for graduates of educational programs to be eligible for National certification and State licensure. The Commission on Accreditation for Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) accredits PTA programs. The college plans to seek accreditation once the program has been approved by both ICCB and IBHE. No students can be enrolled until after the program is approved by all State Boards, a full-time program director is hired, and CAPTE begins its review process.

Supporting Labor Market Data (including employer partners): Labor market information provided by the college supports the interest in and the need for a two-year degree program in this field of study. According to the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES), overall growth in employment of "physical therapy assistants" is expected to increase by 22.3% statewide and by 20.9% locally through 2024.

Table 1: Employer Partners

Employers	Location
Advanced Physical Medicine Centers	Chicago, IL
Westside Children's Therapy	Frankfort, IL

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METT Therapy at Franciscan Health	Olympia Fields, IL
ATI	Multiple District locations
ManorCare	Palos Heights locations
Marcotte Medical Group	Dyer, IL
Athletico	Multiple District locations
Advanced Orthopedic & Spine Care	Oak Lawn & Tinley Park, IL
South Suburban Nursing & Rehab	Homewood, IL
Maximum Rehab Services	Evergreen Park, IL
Rehab Connections	Homer Glen, IL
Goodlife Physical Therapy	Orland Park, IL
NovaCare Rehabilitation	Tinley Park, IL
Palos Health	Palos Heights, IL
PTSIR	Hazel Crest & Tinley Park, IL
Great Lakes Physical Therapy	St. John, IL
Ingalls Memorial Hospital	Harvey, IL

Table 2: Projected Enrollments

Physical Therapy Assistant			
AAS	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Full-Time Enrollments:	24	24	24
Part-Time Enrollments:	0	0	0
Completions:	0	20	20

Financial / Budgetary Information: Two (2) new full-time and two (2) new part-time faculty will be necessary to implement the program. Full-time faculty qualifications are a Master’s degree in Physical Therapy, licensure as a Physical Therapist or PTA, five years (5) of related work experience, and one (1) year teaching including clinical teaching experience. Part-time faculty qualifications are at least an Associate’s degree in Physical Therapy Assisting, PTA licensure, three years related work experience, and one (1) year teaching including clinical teaching experience. All facilities are adequately in place to support the program. The program will otherwise be fiscally supported through student tuition and fees.

Table 3: Financial Information

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Faculty Costs	\$147,713	\$201,728	\$207,780
Administrator Costs	0	0	0
Other Personnel Costs	0	0	0
Equipment Costs	\$60,000	0	0
Library/LRC Costs	0	0	0
Facility Costs*	0	0	0
Other (Accreditation & Consumable supplies)	\$27,000	\$6,500	\$6,500
TOTAL NEW COSTS	\$234,713	\$208,228	\$214,280

Table 4: Faculty Requirements

	First Year		Second Year		Third Year	
	Full-Time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time
New Faculty	2	0	0	2	0	0
Existing Faculty	0	0	2	0	2	2

Shawnee Community College

Construction Management A.A.S. degree (62 credit hours)

Program Purpose: The program will prepare graduates for supervisory and management roles in the Construction Trades industry.

Catalog Description: The Construction Management Associate of Applied Science degree program prepares construction apprentices to work in a supervisory or managerial role within the construction trades. Students will engage in both classroom learning and hands-on site experiences to foster applicable knowledge and skill sets. Students will sharpen their trade skills and acquire the knowledge to effectively manage, supervise and assume a leadership position in a team environment.

Curricular Information: The degree program requires 16 credit hours of general education coursework and 46 credit hours of required career and technical education coursework. Career and technical coursework includes instruction in construction craft laborer orientation, mason tending, asphalt technology & construction, blueprint reading, concrete specialist I and II, OSHA Introduction to Workplace Safety and OSHA 30-hour General Industry certification, asbestos & lead awareness, pipe laying, bridge construction/renovation/demolition, hazardous waste operations, leadership principles, principles of management, introductory management, supervision, and a mid-management work-based learning experience. Assessment of student learning will be achieved through evaluation of the student's performance during the apprenticeship training and work-based learning component of the curriculum by program faculty and/or worksite supervisor. The career and technical education component of this curriculum was developed according to the U.S. Department of Labor – Bureau of Apprenticeship & Training curriculum for the trade Construction Craft Laborer. The program is being delivered in conjunction with Illinois Laborers' & Contractors Union.

Justification for Credit hours required for the degree: The program includes a course in Business and Computer Systems that equates to four (4) credit hours. Faculty, in collaboration with local employers in the Construction Trades, felt strongly this course would be helpful for apprenticeship students, particularly those looking to advance into leadership positions.

Accrediting Information: N/A.

Supporting Labor Market Data (including employer partners): Labor market information provided by the college supports the interest in a two-year degree program in this field of study. According to the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES), overall growth in employment of occupations in construction supervision and management is expected to increase between 2.3-8.6% statewide through 2024.

Table 1: Employer Partners

Employers	Location
Illinois Laborers' & Contractors Union	Mt. Sterling, IL / Multiple Locals

Table 2: Projected Enrollments

Construction Management AAS degree	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Full-Time Enrollments:	30	30	30
Part-Time Enrollments:	-	-	-
Completions:	-	10	15

Financial / Budgetary Information: Eight (8) existing full-time and three (3) existing part-time faculty will be necessary to implement the program. Faculty qualifications for construction trades coursework are

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completion of the Construction Laborer’s & Contractors Apprenticeship training program, Journey-person level mastery; for construction management coursework at least an Associate’s degree in a construction management-related field, and for teaching either content area five years of related work experience, and 1 year teaching experience preferred. All facilities are adequately in place to support the program. The program will otherwise be fiscally supported through student tuition and fees.

Table 3: Financial Information

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Faculty Costs	\$29,383	\$29,383	\$29,383
Administrator Costs	0	0	0
Other Personnel Costs	0	0	0
Equipment Costs	\$387	\$387	\$387
Library/LRC Costs	0	0	0
Facility Costs*	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
TOTAL NEW COSTS	\$29,770	\$29,770	\$29,770

Table 4: Faculty Requirements

	First Year		Second Year		Third Year	
	Full-Time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time
New Faculty	0	0	0	0	0	0
Existing Faculty	8	3	8	3	8	3

Southeastern Illinois College

Outfitter Wildlife Management A.A.S. degree (62 credit hours)

Outfitter Wildlife Management Certificate (31 credit hours)

Program Purpose: The A.A.S. degree will prepare individuals for entry-level employment and advancement opportunities in the wildlife hunting and guiding industry, focusing on management and leadership.

The Advanced Certificate program will prepare individuals for entry-level employment in the wildlife hunting, guiding and outfitter industry.

Catalog Description: The Outfitter Wildlife Management degree is a 2-year, 62-hour degree program that prepares students for both worker and management positions in the outdoor wildlife industry. The Certificate is a two-semester, 31-hour program that prepares students for entry-level positions in the wildlife and outdoor recreation industry.

Curricular Information: The A.A.S. degree curriculum consists of 16 credit hours of general education coursework, and 36 credit hours of required career and technical education coursework. The career and technical component includes instruction in hunting education, wildlife business basics, guiding in outdoors, firearms safety, bow hunting safety, freshwater fishing, big game management, waterfowl management, upland game bird management, habitat and food plot installation, range management, a required work-based learning experience with a wildlife outfitter or outdoor recreation employer, and related technical electives.

The Certificate program includes a subset of the A.A.S. degree content and will apply towards the completion of the degree curriculum. Assessment of student learning in both programs will be achieved through a combination of performance testing and evaluation of the student's performance during the work-based learning experience by the employer.

Accrediting Information: N/A.

Justification for Credit hours required: Both programs require general education content that exceed three (3) credit hours for a single course, Mathematics and Environmental Science. These courses were identified as critical for students in this program of study by local employers.

Supporting Labor Market Data (including employer partners): Labor market information provided by the college supports the interest in and the need for programs in this field of study. According to the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES), growth in the employment of outdoor recreation and related workers is expected to increase between 2 - 9% statewide through the year 2024. Local employers indicate strong support for this type of educational program.

Table 1: Employer Partners

Employer	Location
All Around Outfitters, LLC	Golconda, IL
The Boneyard Outfitters	Whittington, IL
Burns' Hunting Club	Carbondale, IL
Campbell Illinois Whitetails	Carmi, IL
Cedar Ridge Whitetails, LLC	Karnak, IL
Green Acres Sportsman's Club	Roberts, IL
Harpole's Heartland Lodge	Nebo, IL

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The Hunt Club	Percy, IL
Illinois' Ohio River Outfitters	Elizabethtown, IL
Illinois Ohio Valley Trophy Hunts, LLC	Eddyville, IL
Keck's Marsh	Vandalia, IL
Lamont Outdoors	Crossville, IL
Mazonia Hunt Club	Gardner, IL
Nilo Farms	Brighton, IL
Northbrook Sports Club	Hainesville, IL
Prairie Lake Hunt Club	Marseilles, IL
Rack & Wing	Lanark, IL

Table 2: Projected Enrollments

Outfitter Wildlife Mgt AAS	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Full-Time Enrollments:	5	8	9
Part-Time Enrollments:	3	3	4
Completions:	-	7	5

Outfitter Wildlife Mgt Certificate	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Full-Time Enrollments:	7	8	9
Part-Time Enrollments:	3	3	4
Completions:	5	8	8

Financial / Budgetary Information: The programs will require one (1) new full-time and one (1) existing part-time faculty the first year. Qualified faculty will hold at least an Associate's degree in Wildlife Management, Outdoor Recreation or a closely related field, at least five (5) years of related occupational experience, and one year teaching experience. All facilities are adequately in place to support the program. Some new equipment will be purchased during the first year of program implementation. The programs will otherwise be supported fiscally through student tuition and fees.

Table 3: Financial Information

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Faculty Costs	\$50,320	\$51,530	\$52,300
Administrator Costs	0	0	0
Other Personnel costs	0	0	0
Equipment Costs	\$70,075	0	0
Library/LRC Costs	0	0	0
Facility Costs*	0	0	0
Other (specify)	0	0	0
TOTAL NEW COSTS	\$120,395	\$51,530	\$52,300

Table 4: Faculty Requirements

	First Year		Second Year		Third Year	
	Full-Time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time
New Faculty	1	0	0	0	0	0
Existing Faculty	0	1	1	1	1	1

Wilbur Wright College

Associate in Fine Arts in Art (61 credit hours)

Wilbur Wright College is seeking approval to offer an Associate in Fine Arts (AFA)-Studio Arts Degree with an option for students to transfer into a baccalaureate program. In comparison to the Associate in Art Degree, this curriculum features less general education and more art instruction to better accommodate the unique sequencing of coursework that occurs during the first two years of a Bachelor in Fine Arts degree. The proposed requirements for the AFA fall within acceptable limits as defined by ICCB Rules and are consistent with the Illinois Articulation Initiative Art Major Articulation Panel. The proposed degree mirrors current existing AFA in Art Degrees offered at two other City Colleges of Chicago: Harold Washington and Harry S. Truman Colleges. Students must complete the general education requirements of the college or university to which the student transfers. The college is fully equipped to offer art instruction. All facilities and equipment are currently in place to support the program including studios for drawing, watercolor, printmaking, architecture, photography, painting, design, and sculpture. While not required for implementation, the college indicates plans to expand existing studio and gallery facilities that will support the program. All faculty meet the requirements for teaching baccalaureate/transfer courses.

Wilbur Wright College

Computer Numerical Control (CNC) Machining Certificate (37 credit hours)

Program Purpose: This program will prepare individuals for entry-level employment or advancement as a CAD/CAM technician or CNC programmer.

Catalog Description: Computerized machining (CNC) is a challenging and rewarding career that combines mechanical and digital skills to sculpture metal with incredible precision. The advanced certificate builds on knowledge and skills developed through the basic certificate to include skills in Computer Aided Design (CAD) and Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAM) skills. Certificate completers will be able to gain entry-level jobs as a CNC machine operator, technician or machinist trainee; or advancement into CAD/CAM technician or CNC programmer positions.

Curricular Information: The curriculum includes seven (7) credit hours of required general education coursework and 33 credit hours of required career and technical education coursework. Career and technical education coursework includes instruction in introductory and advanced machining processes, CNC fundamentals, CNC milling operations and programming, CNC turning operations and programming, introduction to Solid Works, quality assurance-print requirements, multi-axis machining, introduction to MasterCam, and advanced metrology. The program was developed according to National Institute of Metalworking Skills (NIMS) standards. Graduates of the certificate will be prepared for NIMS industry credentialing in CNC Programming: Set-up and Operations Mill Level I and Lathe Level I, and CNC Screw Machining Level II Single Spindle. Assessment of student learning will be achieved through a portfolio review of students educational and skills mastery throughout the program. The college currently offers two related Basic level certificates in CNC Operations and CNC Machining, as well as a Manufacturing Technology A.A.S. degree. The existing certificates ladder into the proposed advanced certificate, and, the proposed advanced certificate ladders into the existing degree.

Accrediting Information: The college is accredited through the National Institute for Metalworking Skills (NIMS) to offer curricula that leads to NIMS credentials in three certification specialties. All existing related programs were developed according to NIMS standards.

Justification for Credit hours required: The proposed certificate must meet requirements for program accreditation and industry credentialing through course content that exceeds 30 credit hours, including a required general education course in communications for three (3) credit hours and statistics course for four (4) credit hours.

Supporting Labor Market Data (including employer partners): Labor market information provided by the college supports the interest in and the need for an advanced program in this specialty field of study. According to the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES), growth in the employment of “CNC Machine Tool Operators and CNC Programmers” is expected to increase by 18.9% and 18.6% respectively, statewide through the year 2024.

Table 1: Employer Partners

Employer	Location
Dearborn Tool & Manufacturing	Burr Ridge, IL
Woodward Industries	Niles, IL
WaterSaver	Chicago, IL
Integer	Wheeling, IL
Schultes Precision Manufacturing	Buffalo Grove, IL
Howe Corporation	Chicago, IL

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Table 2: Projected Enrollments

CNC Machining Certificate	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Full-Time Enrollments:	6	12	14
Part-Time Enrollments:	12	18	22
Completions:	4	10	16

Financial / Budgetary Information: The program will require four (4) new part-time and one (1) existing full-time faculty the first year. Qualified faculty will hold a Bachelor’s degree in Manufacturing Technology or a closely related field, hold a current NIMS credential, at least two (2) years of related occupational experience and one (1) year teaching experience. All facilities are adequately in place to support the program. Funds for new equipment in the Skills Lab are budgeted for the first year of implementation. The program will otherwise be supported fiscally through student tuition and fees.

Table 3: Financial Information

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Faculty Costs	\$21,470	\$21,470	\$21,470
Administrator Costs	0	0	0
Other Personnel costs	0	0	0
Equipment Costs	\$5,000	0	0
Library/LRC Costs	0	0	0
Facility Costs*	0	0	0
Other (specify)	0		
TOTAL NEW COSTS	\$26,470	\$21,470	\$21,470

Table 4: Faculty Requirements

	First Year		Second Year		Third Year	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time
New Faculty	0	4	0	0	1	0
Existing Faculty	0	1	0	5	0	3

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NEW UNITS OF INSTRUCTION

Temporary Program Approval

The Illinois Community College Board is requested to approve new units of instruction for the following community colleges:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the following motion be adopted:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the following new units of instruction for the community colleges listed below:

TEMPORARY PROGRAM APPROVAL

Carl Sandburg College

- Medical Assistant A.A.S. degree (60 credit hours)
- Patient Care Technician Certificate (34 credit hours)

Joliet Junior College

- Geographic Information Systems A.A.S. degree (60 credit hours)

BACKGROUND

Carl Sandburg College

Medical Assistant A.A.S. degree (60 credit hours)

Program Purpose: This program will prepare individuals for entry-level employment as medical assistants in a variety of allied healthcare settings.

Catalog Description: CSC offers an associate degree in medical assisting which prepares students to perform administrative, clinical, and laboratory duties in a variety of healthcare settings. As one of the fastest growing healthcare occupations, medical assistants are most commonly employed in medical offices and clinics. Their administrative responsibilities may include front office reception, billing, bookkeeping, basic correspondence, and scheduling of appointments. Clinical duties include taking medical histories, recording vital signs, collecting laboratory specimens, performing basic laboratory tests, taking electrocardiograms, and assisting the physician during the examination and treatment of patients.

Curricular Information: The curriculum includes 19 credit hours of required general education, and 41 credit hour of required career and technical education coursework. The career and technical component includes instruction in biomedical ethics, anatomy and physiology, medical terminology, professionalism in healthcare, human body health & illness, pharmacology & medication administration, electrocardiography procedures, phlebotomy procedures, introductory & advanced levels of administrative procedures for medical assistants, introductory & advanced levels of clinical procedures for medical assistants, clinical laboratory procedures, healthcare professionals success strategies, and a required work based learning experience as a medical assistant with a local healthcare provider. Assessment of student learning will be achieved through evaluation of the student’s performance during the work-based learning component by program faculty and work place supervisor. Students will also be given practice credentialing exams for assessment purposes. Graduates of the program will be prepared for optional, but preferred, industry credentialing as a Certified Medical Assistant (CMA) through the American Association of Medical Assistants (AAMA).

Accrediting Information: The program was developed according to standards of the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) – Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB). Accreditation is optional but allows graduates of the program to sit for the CMA credentialing exam offered through the AAMA. The college plans to start the accreditation process once all necessary approvals have been received.

Justification for Credit hours required: N/A.

Supporting Labor Market Data (including employer partners): Labor market information provided by the college supports the interest in and the need for an advanced program in this specialty field of study. According to the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES), growth of 12% for “medical assistants” is expected statewide through the year 2024. The college currently offers a related Medical Assistant Certificate. The proposed degree will provide an educational ladder opportunity for individuals currently in the Certificate, recent graduates of the certificate and possibly individuals who completed medical assistant training through other providers.

Table 1: Employer Partners

Employer	Location
Beu Health Clinic/WIU	Macomb, IL
Eagle View Community Health	Oquawka, IL
Fort Madison Community Hospital	Fort Madison, IA
Galesburg Cottage Hospital & Knox Clinic Corp	Galesburg, IL

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Great River Medical Center	West Burlington, IA
Learning Connections of Galesburg	Galesburg, IL
Memorial Hospital	Carthage, IL
Memorial Medical Clinic LaHarpe	LaHarpe, IL
OSF Holy Family Medical Center	Monmouth, IL
OSH Healthcare System	Peoria & Galesburg, IL
Preferred Home Health Care	Kewanee, IL
Proctor Hospital, LLC	Peoria, IL

Table 2: Projected Enrollments

Medical Assistant AAS degree	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Full-Time Enrollments:	5	5	5
Part-Time Enrollments:	10	10	10
Completions:	-	8	10

Financial / Budgetary Information: The program will require one (1) existing full-time and one (1) existing part-time faculty the first year. All facilities are adequately in place to support the program and will share existing resources with the Medical Assistant Certificate program currently being offered. Some new costs related to program supplies and materials are anticipated. The program will otherwise be supported fiscally through student tuition and fees.

Table 3: Financial Information

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Faculty Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0
Administrator Costs	0	0	0
Other Personnel costs	0	0	0
Equipment Costs	0	0	0
Library/LRC Costs	0	0	0
Facility Costs*	0	0	0
Other (Supplies/Materials Max.)	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
TOTAL NEW COSTS	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500

Table 4: Faculty Requirements

	First Year		Second Year		Third Year	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time
New Faculty	0	0	0	0	0	0
Existing Faculty	1	1	1	1	1	1

Rationale for Temporary Approval: Temporary approval of this program for a period of three (3) years is requested to allow the college to monitor program and student progress, particularly for those students currently working full-time and while the college pursues program accreditation.

Carl Sandburg College

Patient Care Technician Certificate (34 credit hours)

Program Purpose: This program will prepare individuals for entry-level employment in the health care industry in positions such as phlebotomy technician, basic nursing assistant and electrocardiography technician.

Catalog Description: CSC offers a Patient Care Technician certificate which prepares an individual with the foundational knowledge, skills and abilities needed to function as an entry-level healthcare provider. The curriculum provides the educational background required for pursuing a career in the healthcare industry. Students will receive the foundational training to perform administrative, clinical and laboratory duties in a variety of healthcare settings.

Curricular Information: The curriculum includes required coursework in medical terminology, professionalism in healthcare, human body in health & illness, basic nurse assisting, health professionals success strategies, introductory and advanced principles of electrocardiography, phlebotomy & clinical laboratory, patient care technology, career development for health professionals, and practical learning experiences in ECG technology, emergency room technology, home health assisting, and patient care technology. Assessment of student learning will be achieved through evaluation of the student's performance during the practical learning experiences by program faculty. Graduates of this program will be prepared for taking the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) exam, the Certified Phlebotomy Technician (CPT) exam, and the Certified Electrocardiography Technician exam through the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH).

Accrediting Information: Program accreditation is not available for Patient Care Technology. However, the parts of the curriculum that prepare students for credentialing in specific areas have been approved by the Illinois Department of Public Health as required.

Justification for Credit hours required: The proposed certificate must meet requirements for students to sit for industry credentialing through course content that exceeds 30 credit hours. Program Advisory Committee members fully support the design and content of the proposed curriculum, which allows students who have completed the recently approved Phlebotomy Technician and/or Healthcare Assistant Technician Certificates the ability to stack their credentials.

Supporting Labor Market Data (including employer partners): Labor market information provided by the college supports the interest in and the need for an advanced program in this specialty field of study. According to the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES), growth between 5.4-12% for healthcare practitioners and related workers is expected statewide through the year 2024.

Table 1: Employer Partners

Employer	Location
Achievement Unlimited, Inc.	St. Louis, MO
Beu Health Clinic/WIU	Macomb, IL
Keokuk Area Hospital	Keokuk, IA
Knox County Nursing Home	Knoxville, IL
Knox County YMCA	Galesburg, IL
LaHarpe Davier Health Care Center	LaHarpe, IL
Learning Connections of Galesburg	Galesburg, IL
Memorial Hospital	Carthage, IL
Monmouth Nursing Home	Monmouth, IL

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OSF Healthcare System	Peoria & Galesburg, IL
Preferred Home Health Care	Kewanee, IL
Proctor Hospital, LLC	Peoria, IL
Renaissance Care Center	Canton, IL
Rosewood Care Center	Galesburg, IL
Seminary Manor	Galesburg, IL

Table 2: Projected Enrollments

Patient Care Tech Certificate	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Full-Time Enrollments:	5	5	5
Part-Time Enrollments:	10	10	10
Completions:	4	16	20

Financial / Budgetary Information: The program will require six (6) existing part-time and one (1) existing full-time faculty the first year. All facilities are adequately in place to support the program. Some new costs related to program supplies and materials are anticipated. The program will otherwise be supported fiscally through student tuition and fees.

Table 3: Financial Information

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Faculty Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0
Administrator Costs	0	0	0
Other Personnel costs	0	0	0
Equipment Costs	0	0	0
Library/LRC Costs	0	0	0
Facility Costs*	0	0	0
Other (Supplies/Materials Max.)	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
TOTAL NEW COSTS	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500

Table 4: Faculty Requirements

	First Year		Second Year		Third Year	
	Full-time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time
New Faculty	0	0	0	0	0	0
Existing Faculty	1	6	1	6	1	6

Rationale for Temporary Approval: Temporary approval of this program for a period of three (3) years is requested to allow the college to monitor program and student progress, particularly for those students who follow the short-term certificate completion path leading towards the Patient Care Technician Certificate, the existing Medical Assistant Certificate, and the proposed Medical Assistant A.A.S. degree.

Joliet Junior College

Geographic Information Systems (GIS) A.A.S. degree (60 credit hours)

Program Purpose: The program will prepare graduates for entry-level employment using GIS skills, advancement in existing employment, for optional industry credentialing once employed, or for transfer towards a baccalaureate program.

Catalog Description: BEYOND GOOGLE EARTH: The geospatial industry acquires, integrates, manages, analyzes maps, distributes, and uses geographic, temporal and spatial information and knowledge. The industry includes basic and applied research, technology development, education, and applications to address the planning, decision-making, asset management, and operational needs of people and organizations of all types.

A geographic information system (GIS) lets one visualize, question, analyze, and interpret geospatial data to understand relationships, patterns, and trends. GIS benefits organizations of all sizes and in almost every industry. Nowadays, almost every industry is finding new ways to use GIS. Literally, there are thousands of GIS applications in use today with a growing interest in and awareness of the economic and strategic value of GIS.

Throughout the program, students will learn how to utilize geospatial technology to address social and environmental issues. Courses will explore a range of topics essential to the geographic information systems (GIS) field, from cartographic design, remote sensing, data and project management and system implementation to database design and execution. In class and real world, projects will prepare the student to apply the acquired knowledge to the vast applications in many industries today. Job opportunities exist in environmental science, government sector, agriculture, engineering, criminal justice and police, fire science, public safety, construction and many private industries to name a few.

Curricular Information: The degree program requires 15 credit hours of general education coursework and 45 credit hours of required career and technical education coursework, which includes work-based learning. Career and technical coursework includes instruction in introductory GIS technology, spatial analysis, data acquisition & management, cartographic design, fundamentals of remote sensing, geospatial programming, geospatial web application, database management for GIS, using 2D CADD, GIS career development, and a required GIS Capstone project or internship. Students will be able to choose from technical elective coursework in building layout, information technology in agriculture, and GIS special topics. Assessment of student learning will be achieved through evaluation of the student's performance during the work-based learning component by program faculty and/or worksite supervisor.

The program was developed according to National Skill Standards for "Geo-spatial/GIS Professionals" through the National GeoTech Center. The college was recently approved to offer a related short-term certificate program which reflects "introductory and reinforcement" levels of competency, while the proposed degree curriculum reflects "mastery" level competencies. The curriculum will prepare individuals for optional credentialing as a "GIS Professional" through the GIS Certification Institute.

Justification for Credit hours required for the degree: N/A.

Accrediting Information: N/A.

Supporting Labor Market Data (including employer partners): Labor market information provided by the college supports the interest in and the need for a two-year degree program in this field of study. According to the Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES), overall growth in employment of occupations in agriculture and engineering which utilize GIS technology is expected to increase by 4.1% statewide through 2024.

Table 1: Employer Partners

Employers	Location
Baxter & Woodman, Inc.	Chicago & Mokena, IL
Village of Flossmoor	Flossmoor, IL
Village of Mokena	Mokena, IL
City of Joliet	Joliet, IL
Village of Plainfield	Plainfield, IL
The Lane Construction Company	Shorewood, IL
Ruettiger & Tonelli	Shorewood, IL
Village of Channahon	Channahon, IL

Table 2: Projected Enrollments

GIS AAS	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Full-Time Enrollments:	12	20	28
Part-Time Enrollments:	5	5	8
Completions:	0	12	17

Financial / Budgetary Information: One (1) existing part-time and four (4) new part-time faculty will be necessary to implement the program. Faculty qualifications are an Associate’s degree or higher in Surveying Technology, Engineering Technology or a GIS-related field, five years of related work experience, and 1 year teaching experience is preferred. All facilities are adequately in place to support the program. The program will otherwise be fiscally supported through student tuition and fees.

Table 3: Financial Information

	First Year	Second Year	Third Year
Faculty Costs	\$42,000	\$42,000	\$42,000
Administrator Costs	0	0	0
Other Personnel Costs	0	0	0
Equipment Costs	\$5,000	0	0
Library/LRC Costs	0	0	0
Facility Costs*	0	0	0
Other (GIS Software)	\$3,000	0	0
TOTAL NEW COSTS	\$50,000	\$42,000	\$42,000

Table 4: Faculty Requirements

	First Year		Second Year		Third Year	
	Full-Time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time	Full-Time	Part-time
New Faculty	0	4	0	1	0	0
Existing Faculty	0	1	0	5	0	6

Rationale for Temporary Approval: Temporary approval of this program for a period of three years is requested to allow the college to monitor program need.

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**CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR SPECIAL TAX LEVY
(110 ILCS 805, SECTION 3-14.3)**

Section 3-14.3 of the Public Community College Act allows districts eligible for equalization grants in the previous or current fiscal year to levy up to or at the combined statewide average tax rate for educational and operations and maintenance purposes if they currently are levying less than the average. The certification is due by November 1 of each year.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the following motion be adopted:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby authorizes the Executive Director to issue the annual certificates of eligibility for additional taxing authority to the community college districts meeting the following statutory criteria:

1. Received an equalization grant in fiscal year 2018 and/or received an equalization grant in fiscal year 2019; and
2. had combined educational and operations and maintenance purposes tax rates less than 29.12 cents per \$100 of equalized assessed valuation.

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The following table identifies the districts eligible for the additional levy, the amount authorized and actual tax levy, the amount of additional tax rate, and the amount of additional revenue available if they choose to exercise the authority.

The additional levy authority is subject to “backdoor” referendum. Within ten days after the adoption of a resolution expressing the district’s intent to levy all or a portion of the additional taxes, the district is required to publish notice of its intent. A petition signed by 10 percent or more of the registered voters in the district will cause the proposed increase to be placed on the ballot at the next regularly scheduled election. A 30-day period is allowed for such a petition to be received.

This special tax levy authority does not circumvent tax cap legislation. All tax cap legislation is still applicable to those districts that fall under it.

District	Authorized Operating Tax Rates*	Actual Operating Tax Rates*	Additional Tax Rate Authority	Estimated Additional Tax Revenue
Black Hawk College	19.00¢	18.82¢	10.12¢	\$ 4,043,252
Carl Sandburg College	22.00¢	22.00¢	7.12¢	\$1,296,005
Heartland College	22.50¢	22.50¢	6.67¢	\$ 2,957,691
Illinois Central College	25.00¢	25.00¢	4.12¢	\$ 3,014,135
Illinois Eastern Community Colleges	25.00¢	24.97¢	4.12¢	\$ 625,995
Illinois Valley Community College	17.00¢	17.00¢	12.12¢	\$ 3,874,202
John Wood Community College	22.50¢	22.50¢	6.62¢	\$ 1,080,615
Kankakee Community College	18.00¢	18.00¢	11.12¢	\$2,622,488
Kaskaskia College	25.00¢	25.00¢	4.12¢	\$ 669,325
Lake Land College	18.00¢	18.00¢	11.12¢	\$3,254,455
Lewis and Clark Community College	25.00¢	25.00¢	4.12¢	\$ 1,679,470
Rend Lake College	25.00¢	24.21¢	4.12¢	\$ 417,802
Rock Valley College	27.00¢	27.00¢	2.12¢	\$1,190,939
Sauk Valley Community College	27.50¢	27.48¢	1.62¢	\$ 277,792
Southwestern IL College	16.00¢	15.94¢	13.12¢	\$ 8,864,681
Spoon River College	25.00¢	24.03¢	4.12¢	\$ 383,891

* Combined Ed and O&M Maximum Tax Rates

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**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES
(ACTION REQUIRED)**

Pursuant to the Alternate Route to High School Diploma for Adult Learners Program (Public Act 100-0514), the proposed rules establish policies and procedures for the application and approval of eligible providers to provide the Program. The rules also establish reporting requirements and revocation and appeals processes.

These rule changes were submitted to the Board for information in March 2018, and subsequently published in the *Illinois Register* (42 Ill. Reg. 8375; May 25, 2018) for the formal public comment period. No public comments were received in response to the proposed rules.

The proposed amendments to the ICCB Administrative Rules are being submitted to the Board for adoption prior to submission to JCAR for final review and adoption.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the following motion be adopted:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the following amendments to the *Administrative Rules of the Illinois Community College Board* and authorizes its Executive Director to process the amendment in accordance with the Illinois Administrative Procedures Act.

TITLE 23: EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES
SUBTITLE A: EDUCATION
CHAPTER VII: ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD

PART 1506
HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA FOR ADULT LEARNERS

Section	
1506.100	Purpose
1506.200	Definitions
1506.300	Eligible Applicants
1506.400	Application Process
1506.500	Approval Process
1506.600	Reporting Requirements
1506.700	Revocation of Program Approval
1506.800	Appeal Process

AUTHORITY: Implementing and authorized by Section 3-15.12a of the School Code [105 ILCS 5].

SOURCE: Adopted at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____.

Section 1506.100 Purpose

Section 3-15.12a of the School Code [105 ILCS 5] provides eligible applicants with a process for attaining the authority to award a high school diploma to adult learners. This Part sets forth the rules for eligible applicants to apply for approval from the Illinois Community College Board to award a high school diploma to adult learners.

Section 1506.200 Definitions

"Adult Learner" means a person ineligible for reenrollment under subsection (b) of Section 26-2(b) of the School Code and 34 CFR 300.102. [105 ILCS 5/3-15.12a(a-5)]

"Board" or "ICCB" means the Illinois Community College Board. [105 ILCS 5/3-15.12a(a-5)]

"Career and Technical Education" or "CTE" means organized educational programs of study that prepare students for employment in a specific field and should be aligned with related secondary and/or upper-division programs that require a common knowledge and skill set.

"Dual Credit" means an instructional arrangement in which an academically qualified student enrolls in a college-level course and, upon successful course completion, concurrently earns both college credit and high school credit.

"Eligible Applicant" means an entity listed in Section 1506.300.

"High School Diploma Program for Adult Learners" or "Program" means a program approved to operate under Section 3-15.12a of the School Code that provides a program of alternative study to adult learners leading to the issuance of a high school diploma. [105 ILCS 5/3-15.12a(a-5)]

"Illinois Adult Education Content Standards" means basic reading, language arts, mathematics, and writing standards for adult learners approved by the Illinois Community College Board. These standards are aligned with the Illinois Learning Standards.

"Illinois Learning Standards" means academic standards approved by the Illinois State Board of Education that define what all students in all Illinois public schools should know and be able to do in the seven core areas as a result of their elementary and secondary schooling.

Section 1506.300 Eligible Applicants

- a) Applicants must be one of the following entities:
 - 1) A community college established and operating under the authority of the Public Community College Act [110 ILCS 85].
 - 2) A nonprofit entity in partnership with the regional superintendent of schools.
 - 3) A chief administrator of an intermediate service center that has the authority, under rules adopted by the State Board of Education, to issue a high school diploma.
 - 4) A school district organized under Article 34 of the Illinois School Code [105 ILCS 5/34A-101].
- b) Applicants must provide documentation demonstrating that the applicant is or has been unable to establish an agreement with a secondary or unit school district in which the eligible applicant is located to provide a program through which students who successfully complete that program can receive a high school diploma from their districts of residence. This subsection does not apply to a school district applicant (see subsection (a)(4)).

Section 1506.400 Application Process

- a) An application from an eligible applicant for a high school diploma program for adult learners shall be submitted electronically to the Illinois Community College Board on forms prescribed by the Board.
- b) Each application submitted to the Board shall include:
 - 1) Cover Packet

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- A) Contact information, including the Chief Executive Officer, the Program Director, and Fiscal Officer or the equivalent.
 - B) A letter from the eligible applicant, other than a school district, that indicates that an agreement cannot be reached between the eligible applicant and a secondary or unit school district in the area. The letter must summarize the discussion and the dates as well as the reasons an agreement could not be established. Additional documentation may also be included (e.g., minutes of meetings).
- 2) Proposal Narrative
- A) Statement of Need
Describe the demographic, socioeconomic and employment trends for the proposed service area, including labor market and education attainment data that demonstrates a need for the Program.
 - B) Mission and Structure
 - i) Describe the eligible applicant's mission and past history in serving the adult population.
 - ii) Describe the administrative structure of the Program.
 - iii) Describe the financial commitments to support the Program and ensure that outcomes and goals are met.
 - C) Instructional Program Design and Activities
 - i) Describe the instructional activities, including the curriculum, program sequence and multidisciplinary courses. Include any online or technology based curriculum that will be used.
 - ii) Describe the Program and its connection with the Illinois Learning Standards and Illinois Adult Education Content Standards.
 - iii) Describe the intensity, duration and frequency of the activities, including but not limited to the times and location.
 - iv) Describe the plans to deliver a system of career pathways that includes career and technical education courses that lead to industry recognized certifications in high growth and in-demand industry sectors identified through labor market analysis or dual credit courses from a regionally accredited postsecondary educational institution consistent with the Dual Credit Quality Act [110 ILCS 27]. The

Program may partner with a community college district in the area of services to provide career and technical education courses that lead to industry recognized certifications.

- D) Partnerships and Collaboration
- i) Describe established educational partnerships and collaborations, including those with regional offices of education, school districts and community college districts in the area in which the Program is delivered.
 - ii) Describe connections to the community that will enhance the ability to deliver services to adult learners, including business and industry, local workforce boards, social service agencies, State agencies, and other stakeholders.
- E) Recruitment, Enrollment and Retention Strategies
- i) Describe the recruitment and enrollment process, as well as retention strategies.
 - ii) Describe the target populations to be served in the Program. Strategies for the delivery of instructional services through a Program should target the following populations:
 - Long-term unemployed and underemployed, and those not in the labor force who demonstrate a deficiency in basic skills;
 - Low-income adults;
 - Individuals with disabilities;
 - Individuals receiving public assistance;
 - Out-of-school youth;
 - Veterans;
 - Migrant and seasonal farmworkers;
 - Incarcerated and other institutionalized individuals;
 - Re-entry individuals (ex-offenders);
 - English Language Learners;

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- Older individuals;
- Homeless individuals;
- Single parents, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) recipients, and displaced homemakers;
- Youth in the foster system or who have aged out; and
- Low literacy adults, without a high school diploma.

F) Program Completion

Describe the requirements for Program completion, including the use of any standardized testing or assessments. Adult learners must also complete the U.S. and Illinois State Constitution Tests, as well as the Flag Test, as required by the School Code (see 105 ILCS 5/27-3).

G) Support Services

- i) Describe the support services that will be provided by the applicant or in coordination with partners (e.g., transportation, childcare services, employment).
- ii) Describe any assessments that will be used to determine eligibility for services.
- iii) Describe the academic, behavioral and emotional support services to be offered to adult learners enrolled in the Program.

H) Program Accountability and Evaluation

- i) Describe specific outcomes, goals and metrics of the Program, including enrollment projections and completions.
- ii) Describe the use of any Board approved adult education assessments in determining reading and math levels (i.e., pre- and post-testing).
- iii) Describe the use of Program data to evaluate the success of the Program and the outcomes of adult learners.

I) Professional Development

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- i) Describe all staff and responsibilities related to the Program, including: Program administrator, coordinators, counselors and instructional staff, including licensed teaching staff, teacher aides, tutors, and others staff involved in the Program.
 - ii) Describe the specific certifications of staff, including educator licenses valid for the high school grades or other adult education specific certification approved by the Board. All instructional teaching staff must hold an educator license valid for the high school grades issued under Article 21B of the School Code.
 - iii) Describe the professional development requirement for all staff, including completion of the required new teacher orientation.
- c) In addition to the above required information, a nonprofit eligible applicant shall provide the following to the Board:
- 1) Assurance through evidence and documentation that the nonprofit entity has the ability and capacity to fulfill all the requirements of this Part and Section 3-15.12a(b) of the School Code.
 - 2) A description of the coordination and oversight the partner entity will provide in the administration of the Program by the nonprofit entity.
 - 3) Evidence that the nonprofit entity has a history of providing services to adult learners whose educational and training opportunities have been limited by educational disadvantages, disabilities and challenges.

Section 1506.500 Approval Process

- a) Initial approval of an eligible applicant by the Board shall be for a period of two school years.
- b) After initial approval, renewal of an eligible applicant by the Board shall be for a period of four school years and shall be contingent upon submission to the Board of an application for renewal in accordance with the provisions of Section 1506.400 and demonstration to the Board of specific documented outcomes of:
 - 1) Student progression data;
 - 2) Attendance hours;
 - 3) Enrollment data;
 - 4) Program goals and metrics;

- 5) Graduation rates and completion;
 - 6) Earning of industry recognized credentials;
 - 7) Program recruitment and retention;
 - 8) Professional development of staff;
 - 9) Program costs; and
 - 10) Evaluation processes.
- c) All decisions of the Board shall be provided to eligible applicants in writing through mail or electronic notice. The Board shall make public a list of approved programs on its official website.

Section 1506.600 Reporting Requirements

- a) Programs are required to provide quarterly reports to ICCB.
- b) Quarterly reports are to include, at minimum:
 - 1) Student enrollment and progression data.
 - A) Program recruitment, enrollment and retention data.
 - B) Attendance hours.
 - 2) Program outcomes data.
 - A) Graduation rates.
 - B) Earning of high school diplomas.
 - C) Earning of industry-recognized credentials.
 - 3) Program goals and metrics for evaluation.

Section 1506.700 Revocation of Program Approval

- a) If an entity authorized to offer a Program fails to meet any of the requirements of this Part or Section 3-15.12a(b) of the School Code, the Board shall place the Program on probationary review.
- b) Programs in review status shall follow a corrective action plan outlined by the Board to regain approved status. Corrective action plans will be designed to address the specific deficiencies and may include such elements as monitoring of program performance and outcomes identified in Section 1506.500(b).

- c) Programs under a corrective action plan that fail to complete the requirements of their corrective action plan within the time allotted by the plan will have their status as an approved Program revoked by the Board.

Section 1506.800 Appeal Process

- a) All decisions of the Board that result in nonapproval of a Program or revocation of an approved Program shall be provided in writing in the form of a letter delivered by certified mail and shall specify the reason for the nonapproval or revocation.
- b) All decisions of the Board that result in nonapproval or revocation may be appealed within 30 days after receipt of the written notification by submitting a written request for reconsideration of the decision to the ICCB Chair.
- c) The ICCB Chair shall review the request and place it on the agenda of the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.
- d) The appellant may make both oral and written presentations to ICCB at the time the decision is reconsidered.

BACKGROUND

The Illinois General Assembly created the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR) in 1977. It is a bipartisan legislative oversight committee, and it has been delegated the responsibility to ensure that the laws enacted are appropriately implemented through administrative law. The Board, and all state agencies, has the authority to draft rules, publish them for public comment, and file them with JCAR for adoption. The compilation of all rules is known as the Illinois Administrative Code.

Public Act 100-0514, approved by the Governor on September 22, 2017, amends the School Code and authorizes eligible applicants (defined as a community college, non-profit entity in partnership with a regional superintendent of schools, the chief administrator of an intermediate service center that has the authority to issue a high school diploma, or the Chicago school district) to design a high school diploma program for adult learners. The amendment requires eligible applicants to apply for approval of the Program from the ICCB.

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**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES
(ACTION REQUIRED)**

These proposed rules reflect the combination of a number of proposed rules submitted to the Board for information between September 2017 and March 2018. These proposed rules include updates and additions related to the Lincoln's ChalleNGe Scholarship Grant; Senior Citizen Tuition Waiver; General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) Credential; participation in a program with an intensified or accelerated schedule; and data collection, security and confidentiality, and sharing. These proposed rules also implement the following public acts: P.A. 100-0417 (data collection fee), P.A. 98-306 (veteran benefits), P.A. 99-0845 (DCFS).

The combination of these proposed rules were subsequently published in the *Illinois Register* (42 Ill. Reg. 7990; May 18, 2018) for the formal public comment period. No public comments were received in response to the proposed rules.

The proposed amendments to the ICCB Administrative Rules are being submitted to the Board for adoption prior to submission to JCAR for final review and adoption.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the following motion be adopted:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the following amendments to the *Administrative Rules of the Illinois Community College Board* and authorizes its Executive Director to process the amendment in accordance with the Illinois Administrative Procedures Act.

TITLE 23: EDUCATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES
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PART 1501
ADMINISTRATION OF THE ILLINOIS PUBLIC COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT
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18 Ill. Reg. 8906, effective June 1, 1994; amended at 19 Ill. Reg. 2299, effective February 14, 1995; amended at 19 Ill. Reg. 2816, effective February 21, 1995; amended at 19 Ill. Reg. 7515, effective May 26, 1995; amended at 21 Ill. Reg. 5891, effective April 22, 1997; amended at 22 Ill. Reg. 2087, effective January 12, 1998; amended at 22 Ill. Reg. 17472, effective July 10, 1998; amended at 24 Ill. Reg. 249, effective December 21, 1999; amended at 24 Ill. Reg. 17522, effective November 20, 2000; amended at 25 Ill. Reg. 7161, effective May 18, 2001; emergency amendment at 25 Ill. Reg. 12863, effective September 28, 2001, for a maximum of 150 days; emergency expired February 24, 2002; amended at 26 Ill. Reg. 646, effective January 7, 2002; amended at 27 Ill. Reg. 17204, effective October 31, 2003; amended at 28 Ill. Reg. 14092, effective October 18, 2004; amended at 29 Ill. Reg. 6239, effective April 25, 2005; amended at 30 Ill. Reg. 2755, effective February 21, 2006; amended at 32 Ill. Reg. 16396, effective September 23, 2008; amended at 40 Ill. Reg. 14054, effective September 29, 2016; amended at 41 Ill. Reg. 11274, effective August 28, 2017; amended at 41 Ill. Reg. 15723, effective December 18, 2017; amended at 42 Ill. Reg. 2819, effective January 24, 2018; amended at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____.

SUBPART A: ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD ADMINISTRATION

Section 1501.101 Definition of Terms and Incorporations by Reference

a) Definitions

"Act" means the Public Community College Act [110 ILCS 805].

"Board" means the Board of Trustees of an Illinois public community college district.

"Classification of Instructional Programs" or "(CIP)" means a taxonomic scheme that supports the accurate tracking and reporting of fields of study and program completion activity.

"College" means an Illinois public community college.

"Executive Director" means the executive officer and the executive secretary of the ICCB.

"ICCB" or "State Board" means the Illinois Community College Board.

"ICCB Grants" means funds appropriated by the State of Illinois to ICCB for community colleges.

"Student Member" means the member of ICCB who has been selected by ICCB's Student Advisory Committee. The student member has all the privileges of membership defined in Section 2-3 of the Act.

"Recognition Continued" means a status granted to a district that generally meets ICCB standards.

"Recognition Continued-with Conditions" means a status granted to a district that

generally does not meet ICCB standards. A district is judged not to meet ICCB standards when one or more of the following conditions exist:

the district continues to be out of compliance with standards cited during the previous visit;

applicable standards are disregarded; and/or

the district is found to be out of compliance with significant applicable standards.

"Recognition Interrupted" is a status granted to a district that fails to meet ICCB standards within a specified period of time after being assigned a status of recognition continued-with conditions.

"Shared Data Agreement" means a written contract between parties that defines the care and handling of sensitive or restricted use data, including, but not limited to, the terms of the agreement, ownership of the data, security measures and access to the data, uses of the data, data confidentiality procedures, duration of the agreement, and disposition of the data at the completion of the contract.

"Student Advisory Committee" or "SAC" means the ICCB student advisory committee created by Section 2-1 of the Act.

"Student-Level Data" means demographic, performance, and other data that pertains to a single student.

- b) Incorporation by Reference
"Program Classification Structure", 2nd Edition (Technical Report 106) (1978). Collier, Douglas J. This document may be obtained from the National Center for Higher Education Management Systems (NCHEMS), 3035 Center Green Drive, Suite 150, Boulder CO 80301-2251 or from info@nchems.org. This incorporation by reference does not include any later editions or amendments.

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 1501.108 Organization of ICCB (Repealed)

~~The ICCB staff is organized into the following three (3) administrative divisions for the purpose of conducting the agency's business:~~

- a) ~~Agency Division, which includes policy and rule administration, legislative, internal auditing, and overall supervision of ICCB functions.~~
- b) ~~Operations Division, which includes finance and facilities, planning and research, and internal fiscal administration functions.~~
- c) ~~Programs Division, which includes curricular, student services, and management information functions.~~

(Source: Repealed at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 1501.109 Appearance at ICCB Meetings (Repealed)

~~With at least seven (7) days prior written notice to the Chair or the Executive Director of the ICCB and with the concurrence of the Chair, a representative of any college or the public at large may bring matters to the attention of the ICCB or provide comment on matters already before the ICCB. The written notice requirement may be waived by the Chair.~~

(Source: Repealed at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 1501.115 Data Repository

Under the authority of the P-20 Longitudinal Education Data System Act (105 ILCS 13), ICCB is the State Education Authority responsible for collecting and maintaining authoritative enrollment, completion, and student characteristic information on community college students. Illinois Community College system data collection, administrative data matching, and reporting is coordinated through ICCB.

(Source: Added at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 1501.116 Use, Security and Confidentiality of Data

- a) The ICCB and entities accessing ICCB data shall comply with all applicable federal and State laws which regulate the privacy and use of, and access to, shared data. (See, e.g., the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (20 USC 1232g); the Illinois School Student Records Act [105 ILCS 10]; the Data Processing Confidentiality Act [30 ILCS 585]; the Freedom of Information Act [5 ILCS 140]; Section 487 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (20 USC 1094)).
- b) ICCB data is confidential and shall not be used or shared for any purpose other than that which is directly related to internal operations of ICCB or that which is stipulated in an ICCB shared data agreement with another entity. Entities accessing ICCB data shall be responsible for meeting ICCB shared data agreement security procedures and protocols, pursuant to Section 1501.117, to protect the integrity of the data accessed, stored, transmitted or received.

(Source: Added at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 1501.117 Shared Data Agreements

- a) Student-level data furnished by the ICCB on behalf of Illinois community colleges is licensed by ICCB and remains the property of ICCB.
- b) All requests for data files, data products, aggregations or reports containing student-level data elements, except in the case of State and federal mandated accountability reporting, shall be made in writing to ICCB using ICCB forms.

- c) All requests shall be approved by the Executive Director prior to execution of a shared data agreement.
- d) All data obtained from ICCB shall be used solely for the purpose identified by the requesting entity. The scope and term of this usage will be detailed in a shared data agreement specific to each request. Use of the data for any other purpose shall require a separate and specific written request, approval, and shared data agreement.
- e) The entity in receipt of ICCB student-level data must comply with applicable laws and regulations with respect to the protection of privacy, security and dissemination of the confidential information. Upon completion of the data sharing purpose, the entity shall return it to ICCB or destroy it and any copies, as specified in the data sharing agreement.

(Source: Added at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 1501.118 Processing Fees

The Board may charge fees to the requesting entity for providing access to data files or producing studies, data products or analyses of data. A schedule of fees for datasets and products is set forth in Appendix A. In addition to standard data product fees, the Board will assess a 30 percent surcharge for complex requests related to longitudinal analysis and generation of outcomes measures. Providing outcomes measures includes data compilation for performance and evaluation and interpretation of results.

(Source: Added at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

SUBPART B: LOCAL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Section 1501.201 Reporting Requirements

Complete and accurate reports shall be submitted by the district/college to ICCB in accordance with ICCB requirements and on forms provided by ICCB, where applicable. Listed in this Section is the schedule of due dates indicating when items from the community colleges are due at the Illinois Community College Board Office:

- January 15
 - annual financial statements and notice of publication (see Section 1501.506)
- January 31
 - certificate of tax levy (see Section 1501.510(f))
 - construction project status reports (see Section 1501.607(a))
- February 1
 - annual African American Employment Plan Survey (see Section 1501.308(b))
 - annual Hispanic/Latino Employment Plan Survey (see Section 1501.308(b))
 - annual Asian Employment Plan Survey (see Section 1501.308(b))
 - annual Bilingual Needs and Bilingual Pay Survey (see Section 1501.308(b))
- February 15
 - spring semester (2nd term) enrollment survey (see Section 1501.406(b))

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- March 1 • annual Underrepresented Groups Report (see Section 1501.406(c))
 - March 31 • policies for the award of academic credit for prior learning (see Section 1501.311(a))
 - June 15 • annual faculty, staff salary and benefits data (see Section 1501.308(a))
 - July 1 • Resource Allocation and Management Plan (RAMP/CC) (see Section 1501.510(a))
 - July 15 • report of out-of-state extensions (see Section 1501.307(h)(4))
• annual noncredit course enrollment (see Section 1501.406(d))
 - August 1 • annual student enrollment and completion data (see Section 1501.406(a))
• square footage and acreage (facility information) (see Section 1501.510(b))
 - September 1 • budget and tax survey (see Section 1501.510(d))
• program review report (see Section 1501.303(d)(6))
• program review listing (see Section 1501.303(d)(6))
• facilities data (see Section 1501.510(e) and 1501.607(c))
• annual Student Identification data submission (see Section 1501.406(f))
• annual report of student course information submission (see Section 1501.406(g))
 - October 1 • fall semester enrollment data (see Section 1501.406(a))
• fall semester enrollment survey (see Section 1501.406(b))
 - October 15 • faculty, staff and salary data (see Section 1501.308(a))
• fiscal year budget (see Section 1501.504)
 - November 1 • summer graduate reporting (for the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System Graduation Rate Survey) (see Section 1501.406(e))
 - December 30 • external audit (see Section 1501.503(a))
• annual instructional cost report (see Section 1501.510(c))
• unexpended special initiative grant funds (see Section 1501.519(d))
- 30 days after the end of each term – credit hour claims (see Section 1501.406(b) and Section 1501.507(a))

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

SUBPART C: PROGRAMS

Section 1501.301 Definition of Terms

Associate Degree. An "Associate Degree" is an award for satisfactory completion of a curriculum of 60 semester credit hours or more.

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Associate in Applied Science Degree. An "Associate in Applied Science Degree" is an award for the satisfactory completion of a prescribed curriculum intended to prepare individuals for employment in a specific field.

Associate in Arts Degree. An "Associate in Arts Degree" is an award for the satisfactory completion of a prescribed curriculum intended to transfer to baccalaureate degree programs in one of the arts, humanities, or social or behavioral sciences or one of the professional fields with these disciplines as a base.

Associate in Fine Arts Degree. An "Associate in Fine Arts Degree" is an award for the satisfactory completion of a prescribed curriculum intended to transfer to baccalaureate degree programs in one of the fine arts: art, music, or theater.

Associate in Engineering Science Degree. An "Associate in Engineering Science Degree" is an award for the satisfactory completion of a prescribed curriculum intended to transfer to baccalaureate degree programs in engineering.

Associate in General Studies Degree. An "Associate in General Studies Degree" is an award for the satisfactory completion of a curriculum that has been individually designed by mutual agreement between the student and his/her college-appointed advisor to meet the student's educational intent.

Associate in Science Degree. An "Associate in Science Degree" is an award for the satisfactory completion of a prescribed curriculum intended to transfer to baccalaureate degree programs in one of the mathematical, biological, or physical sciences or one of the professional fields with these disciplines as a base.

Branch. A "branch" is an administrative unit of a college that has a continuing educational mission and serves as a secondary instructional site for the college.

Campus. A "campus" is an organized administrative unit of a college that has a continuing educational mission and serves as a primary instructional site for the college.

Certificate. A "certificate" is an award for satisfactory completion of a series of courses or curriculum of 50 semester credit hours or less.

General certificate. A "general certificate" is an award for satisfactory completion of a series of courses of 30 semester credit hours or less in adult basic education, adult secondary education, remedial education, vocational skills, or general studies.

Occupational certificate. An "occupational certificate" is an award for

satisfactory completion of a prescribed curriculum intended to prepare an individual for employment in a specific field.

College. A "college" is a district's administrative unit that is authorized by the Illinois Board of Higher Education to grant postsecondary-level degrees and certificates, is recognized by the ICCB, and provides a comprehensive program of instruction in accordance with Section 101-2(e) of the Act.

Course. A "course" is a sequential presentation, through one or more instructional modes, of subject matter in a particular field to meet specific objectives within a designated time period, such as a semester or a quarter.

[Credit for Prior Learning. The evaluation and assessment of a student's life learning through employment, training and experiences outside an academic environment from which skills that comprise terminal objectives are mastered to an acceptable degree of proficiency for college credit, certification or advanced standing toward further education or training.](#)

Curriculum. A "curriculum" is an approved unit of instruction consisting of a series of courses designed to lead to an associate degree or a certificate.

Adult Basic Education. An "Adult Basic Education" curriculum consists of basic skills courses designed to bring students to a competency of eighth-grade equivalency, including English as a Second Language instruction to a level of eighth-grade equivalency.

Adult Secondary Education. An "Adult Secondary Education" curriculum consists of courses designed to bring students to a competency of twelfth-grade equivalency, including English as a Second Language courses through the twelfth-grade equivalency and General Educational Development (GED) examination preparation.

District Curriculum. A "district curriculum" is a curriculum approved for offering within a district, on the basis of student interest, employment demand, and available resources within the district.

General Studies. A "General Studies" curriculum consists of courses designed to meet individual student goals, in the promotion of personal improvement and self-understanding.

Regional Curriculum. A "regional curriculum" is a curriculum approved for offering within a particular region of the state, on the basis of student interest and employment demand within the region.

Remedial Education. A "Remedial Education" curriculum consists of courses in computation, communication (i.e., writing and speaking), and reading, designed to improve the competency of high school graduates, or those persons achieving high school equivalency through standardized testing, to the level necessary for placement into communication and

mathematics courses required of first-year college students. Remedial courses reiterate basic skills that students were expected to have mastered prior to entry into post-secondary education.

Statewide Curriculum. A "statewide curriculum" is a curriculum approved for offering on the basis of student interest and employment demand statewide.

Educational Agency. An "educational agency" is an agency, corporation, or other defined legal entity ~~that~~which offers instruction.

Extension Center. An "extension center" is an instructional site for the college that is used for offering some of the college's courses and/or programs for a limited duration.

General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) Credential. A credential provided by the college for completion of the 37 to 41 credit hours to satisfy the GECC of the Illinois Articulation Initiative.

Higher Learning Commission or HLC. "Higher Learning Commission" or "HLC" means an independent corporation that serves as one of six regional institutional accreditors in the U.S. and accredits degree-granting post-secondary educational institutions in the North Central Region, which includes Illinois.

Internship/Practicum. An "internship/practicum" is a course of planned and supervised training ~~that~~which allows the application of theory to actual practice and prepares a student for working independently in a specific career. The internship/practicum generally occurs after the student has completed 12 credit hours. It takes place at a regular worksite and instruction/supervision is shared by a college instructor/supervisor and a qualified employee at the worksite. Clinical practicums take place in a hospital or other medical/health facility and require close supervision/instruction/monitoring by a qualified college instructor.

Laboratory. A "laboratory" is a course of planned and supervised training in which students learn new methods or principles through experimentation, observation, and/or practice. A lab class can occur at the beginning, middle, or end of a particular course of study and may be a specially equipped room designed for experimentation, observation, and/or practice on the college campus or at the worksite.

PBVS Program of Study. "PBVS Program of Study" means any of the programs listed in Section 10 of the Career and Workforce Transition Act [110 ILCS 151].

Principal Site. The principal site is the official mailing address of the college.

Private Business Vocational School or PBVS. "Private Business Vocational School" or "PBVS" means a non-degree granting institution that is regulated and approved by the Board of Higher Education under the Private Business and Vocational Schools Act of 2012 [105 ILCS 426] and that is nationally accredited

by an accreditor approved by the U.S. Department of Education.

Public Service. "Public service" consists of noncredit classes and other activities of an educational nature, such as workshops, seminars, forums, exhibits, and the provision of college facilities and expertise to the community, designed to be of service to the public.

Research. "Research" consists of investigations or experiments to discover or interpret facts, to revise accepted theories, or to apply ~~thosesuch~~ revised theories.

Secondary School. A "secondary school" shall be used to mean private or parochial secondary school, public secondary school district, or public unit school district.

Unit of Instruction. A "unit of instruction" is any one of the following:

An organized program of study consisting of a sequence of courses that results in the award to a student of a certificate or an associate degree.

Any existing organized program of study offered at a new geographical location outside of the college district.

Any organized administrative entity that would have a continuing instructional mission, including but not limited to a college, campus, or branch.

Unit of Research or Public Service. A "unit of research or public service" is a college's subdivision such as a division, institute, or center, that administers one (or more) research or public service program.

Vocational Skills. "Vocational Skills" consists of courses designed to provide short-term job entry training, to upgrade the skills of persons already employed, or to review skills for career re-entry.

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 1501.309 Course Classification and Applicability

- a) Course Classification. Information on courses for which credit is to be awarded shall be submitted to ICCB on forms provided by ICCB in order for the courses to be classified into appropriate instructional and funding categories and added to the college's Management Information System (MIS) Course Master File.
- b) Course Credit Hour Determination:
 - 1) Credit hours for courses for which ICCB credit hour grants are to be claimed shall be determined on the basis of an expected 45 hours of combined classroom/laboratory and study time for each semester hour or 30 hours of such time for each quarter credit hour.

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- 2) Courses with students participating in lecture/discussion oriented instruction will be assigned one semester credit hour or equivalent for each 15 classroom contact hours of instruction per semester or equivalent. It is assumed that two hours of outside study will be invested for each classroom contact hour.
- 3) Courses in which students participate in laboratory/clinical-laboratory oriented instruction will be assigned one semester credit hour or equivalent for each 30-45 classroom contact hours of instruction per semester or equivalent. It is assumed that one hour of outside study will be invested for each two laboratory contact hours.
- 4) Students who participate in nonclinical internship, practicum, or on-the-job supervised instruction shall receive one semester credit hour or equivalent for each 75-149 contact hours per semester or equivalent and students who participate in clinical practicums shall receive one semester hour credit or equivalent for each 30-60 contact hours per semester or equivalent. It is assumed that one hour of outside study time will be invested from each two clinical practicum contact hours.

5) [Students who participate in an approved program with an intensified or accelerated schedule shall be exempt from the contact hour requirements of this subsection \(b\).](#)

- c) Course Syllabus. A syllabus shall be developed and maintained for each credit course and shall be available to the public and students upon request. A syllabus contains the description of the course, specific objectives of the course, a topical outline, and the method for evaluating student performance.
- d) Course Applicability. All credit courses must be part of an approved unit of instruction (~~see pursuant to~~ Section 1501.302), and the approved unit of instruction for each course shall be indicated on the college's ICCB MIS Course Master File.
 - 1) Lower-division Baccalaureate Courses. Courses designed to meet lower-division baccalaureate degree requirements shall be applicable to associate transfer degrees. For each baccalaureate course offered, the college shall either obtain approval for the course to be listed as a Statewide articulated transfer course by a general education or baccalaureate major panel of the Illinois Articulation Initiative or maintain current written articulation agreements or transfer equivalency documents with:
 - A) at least three Illinois public universities;~~5 or~~
 - B) at least three baccalaureate degree-granting institutions to which a majority (51%) of the college's students transfer;~~5 or~~
 - C) one or more baccalaureate degree-granting institutions to which a majority (51%) of the college's students, majoring in the field for

which the course is required, transfer.

- 2) GECC Credential. Upon a student's completion of the GECC, a college is authorized to award a GECC credential, which shall, at a minimum, consist of a notation on a transcript for the student achieving the credential.
 - 32) Remedial Course Credit. No remedial course credit shall be applicable to associate degrees designed for transfer to institutions granting baccalaureate degrees.
 - 43) Adult Basic Education Course Credit. No adult basic education course credit is applicable to degrees or to certificates, except the Adult Basic Education Certificate.
 - 54) Adult Secondary Education Course Credit. No adult secondary or college preparatory education course credit is applicable to degrees or certificates, except the Adult Secondary Education Certificate.
 - 65) General Studies Course Credit. General studies course credit is applicable only to the Personal Development; Homemaking; Improving Family Circumstances; Intellectual and Cultural Studies; Community and Civic Development; and Health, Safety and Environment Certificates.
- e) Special Upper-Division Courses-
- 1) A college may offer any course that is offered by a university, regardless of numbering system, if the university normally permits its own students to take the course as lower-division students. ~~These~~Such courses will be eligible for ICCB grants, if they meet all other criteria.
 - 2) If at least three public universities in Illinois agree, or if a public university ~~that~~which is the principal recipient of transfers from the community college agrees, certain special courses taught at the upper-division level may be offered by a college and be eligible for ICCB grants, provided they meet all other criteria.
- f) Independent Study. Independent Study course credit shall not exceed 25 percent of the credit hour requirements for a student to earn an associate degree. The topic of an independent study course shall be listed on the student's permanent academic record.
- g) Internships. An internship experience for credit that is designed to provide the student an opportunity to put into practice the theories and techniques learned in the classroom/laboratory shall be applicable to an associate degree or certificate, provided at least 12 semester credit hours or equivalent in the corresponding curriculum are completed by the student prior to, or are taken by the student concurrently with, ~~the~~such experience.

- h) Courses Approved as Repeatable:
- 1) Courses in which the content varies from term to term or from student to student (e.g., independent study, special topics, and internship courses) or in which a student is expected to gain increased depth of knowledge and skill through repetition (e.g., music, speech, theatre, and journalism performance or production courses) shall, at the request of the college, be approved for repeatability under the following conditions:
 - A) The number of times the course may be taken for credit does not exceed four semesters (or six quarters);
 - B) The method of determining the amount of credit to be awarded for each section of the course, for each term, or for each student is specified in the college's catalog, on the course syllabus, and on the course classification form, and the subject matter and number of credits for which the student enrolled is specified on the student's permanent academic record;
 - C) The college's catalog, the course syllabus, and the course classification form requesting approval of repeatability by the ICCB indicate the number of such credits that will apply to degree or certificate completion for a single course or a combination of related courses; and
 - D) The total number of credit hours for a single course or for a combination of related courses that are applicable to degree or certificate completion does not exceed the maximums established in subsection (f) governing independent study, subsection (b) governing credit hour determination, or Section 1501.507(b)(10) governing the maximum rate of credit hour production.
 - 2) A vocational skill course that persons employed in an occupation or vocation must retake periodically by law in order to maintain employment shall, at the request of the college, be approved for repeatability under the following conditions:
 - A) The content of the course is determined by law and does not change from one year to the next; and
 - B) A copy of the law (or regulation administering it) and a course syllabus accompany the course classification form requesting repeatability.
 - 3) An adult basic, adult secondary, or a remedial education course that is organized into discrete modules and offered for variable credit shall, at the request of the college, be approved for repeatability under the following conditions:

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- A) No discrete module is repeated more than three times;
 - B) The title of each module completed and the grade received is permanently recorded on the student's permanent academic record; and
 - C) The content and number of credit hours for each discrete module is shown on the course syllabus and on the course classification form requesting approval of repeatability by the ICCB.
- 4) An adult basic, adult secondary or a remedial education course that is not organized into discrete modules shall, at the request of the college, be approved for repeatability under the following, conditions:
- A) The number of times the course may be taken for credit does not exceed four times; (i.e., repeatable three times);
 - B) The variety of skill levels included in the course and the methods used to accommodate individual differences based on an assessment of student skills is specified in the course syllabus; and
 - C) The course title and the grade received is permanently recorded on the student's academic record each time that the course is taken.

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 1501.311 Credit for Prior Learning

a) Policy and Procedures

- 1) Each college shall electronically submit to ICCB for review its policies for the award of academic credit for prior learning. This submission shall be made by March 31 of each calendar year for policies effective in the subsequent Fall semester,
 - A) These policies shall include a listing of the types of documentation acceptable to the college and the dates of inclusion for which credit for prior learning is acceptable.
 - B) At a minimum, each college shall publish the procedures for students to earn credit for prior learning in its catalog and on its official website.
 - C) Colleges shall regularly monitor, evaluate and, if necessary, revise credit for prior learning activities.
- 2) As a part of these policies, each college shall adopt a specific policy for the awarding of academic credit for military training that is considered

applicable to the requirements of the student's certificate or degree program.

A) The policy shall apply to any student who is enrolled at the college and who has successfully completed a military training course or program as part of his or her military service that is:

i) recommended for credit by a national higher education association that provides credit recommendations for military training courses and programs;

ii) included in the student's military transcript issued by any branch of the armed services; or

iii) otherwise documented as military training or experience.

B) These policies may be incorporated into the college's broader credit for prior learning policies.

3) This Section is not applicable to secondary/postsecondary articulation agreements or dual enrollment.

b) Awarding Credit for Prior Learning

1) Credit for prior learning can be awarded only after the assessment of prior learning experiences and only for documented learning that demonstrates achievement of all terminal objectives for a specific course or courses.

2) Colleges awarding credit for prior learning must validate credit on a course-by-course basis. The following publications and methods are acceptable for validating prior learning for awarding credit:

A) Standardized tests:

i) College-Level Examination Program (CLEP);

ii) Excelsior College/Formerly American College Testing Proficiency Examination Program (ACT-PEP/RCE/EXCELSIOR);

iii) Defense Activity for Nontraditional Educational Support (DANTES);

iv) Advanced Placement (AP);

v) International Baccalaureate (IB);

B) College examinations:

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- i) Examination (written, oral, demonstration or a combination of all three) that is equivalent to the comprehensive final exam;
 - ii) Evaluation by an area dean or designated subject expert;
 - C) Published guides:
 - i) American Council on Education (ACE) for military training and experiences;
 - ii) ACE (non-collegiate) for industrial and corporate training programs;
 - iii) Other published guides developed by nationally recognized organizations;
 - D) Portfolios:
 - i) Credit through the development of a portfolio;
 - ii) Evaluation by subject matter experts.
 - 3) Credit may not be awarded twice for the same learning.
- c) Standard for Awarding Credit for Prior Learning
 - 1) The student must enroll at the college and meet all admission requirements for the program in which course credit for prior learning is being sought. A college may seek an exception to this provision by making a request and receiving subsequent approval from ICCB.
 - 2) Fifteen credit hours toward a degree must be completed at the college prior to awarding credit for prior learning to degree seeking students.
 - 3) Twenty-five percent of the required credits for a certificate must be completed at the college, prior to awarding credit for prior learning to certificate seeking students.
 - 4) College validation procedures should be objective to the extent that external evaluators would reach the same conclusion given the material reviewed.
- d) If pursuing a transfer degree (Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS) or Associate in General Studies (AGS)), credit for prior learning will only be granted for the purpose of satisfying graduation requirements. These credits might not transfer to other colleges.

- e) All work assessed for prior learning must meet or exceed a grade level of "C". Minimum cut-off scores on standardized tests are set at a "C" grade level.
- f) In the process of determining if credit can be awarded for prior learning, colleges shall charge students only for the cost of the prior learning assessment services and not for the amount of credit awarded.

(Source: Added at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

SUBPART E: FINANCE

Section 1501.501 Definition of Terms

"Annual Financial Statement" means an annual financial report and an annual program report that. The "annual financial statement", which is required to be published by a district, ~~consists of two parts:~~

~~An~~ annual financial report, ~~which~~ includes a statement of revenues and expenditures, along with other basic financial data; and

~~An~~ annual program report includes, which provides a narrative description of programs offered, goals of the district, and student and staff data.

"Attendance at Midterm" means a: A student is "in attendance at midterm" in a course if the student is currently enrolled in and actively pursuing completion of the course.

"Auditor" means. ~~An auditor is~~ a person who enrolls in a class without intent to obtain academic credit and whose status as an auditor is declared by the student, approved by college officials, and identified on college records prior to the end-of-registration date of the college for that particular term.

"Capital Renewal Grants" means. ~~Capital renewal grants are~~ State grants allocated proportionally to ~~each~~ community college district based on the latest fall on-campus nonresidential gross square feet of facilities as reported to the ICCB. ~~These~~ ~~Such~~ grants are to be used ~~utilized~~ for miscellaneous capital improvements such as rehabilitation, remodeling, improvement, and repair; architect/engineer services; supplies, fixed equipment, and materials; and all other expenses required to complete the work.

"Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship Grants" means scholarships provided to a community college to graduates of the. ~~The Lincoln's Challenge Program is~~ administered by the Illinois Department of Military Affairs. ~~Upon successful completion of that program, students qualify for a scholarship to a community college. The Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship Grant is a special appropriation received by the ICCB from the Governor and the General Assembly. These scholarships provide an opportunity for graduates of Lincoln's Challenge to transition easily into higher education by enrolling in one of the 48 public~~

~~community colleges. The scholarship grants can be used to cover the cost of education, which includes tuition, books, fees and required educational supplies.~~

"Midterm Class List Certification" means the college's process for certifying students in attendance at the midterm to the ICCB as: As part of the ~~proofverification~~ that a student's credit hours are eligible for State funding, ~~the college shall establish a process for certifying students in attendance at the midterm.~~ The district shall file with the ICCB a document outlining the process (including but not limited to specific steps and/or procedures, steps for obtaining an electronic midterm certification signature, etc.) it follows as part of that certification and the district shall file an amended process any time changes are made, but not less than once every five years.

"Midterm Certification Signature" means midterm class lists obtained and maintained by the college that are manually signed and dated by faculty or electronic signature of the faculty. ~~The college may either obtain and maintain midterm class lists manually signed and dated by faculty or accept electronic signature of the faculty.~~

If the college chooses to accept an electronic signature of faculty, then the college must include in the midterm class list certification process a written summary explaining what steps are in place that ensure assure:

Appropriate administrative and operational controls are in place to ensure faculty only have access to midterm class lists they teach;

Appropriate controls are in place to only allow an electronic signature at the midpoint of the class during a specified period (~~that is i.e.~~, one or two weeks before and one or two weeks after the midpoint of the class);

~~A~~ Each faculty member's identity is authenticated and attributed to the midterm certification signature;

The integrity of the electronically signed midterm class list of ~~a~~ each course section has been secured and verified; and

The college has the capability of generating signed printed midterm class lists that support the ICCB credit hour claim submission.

A final grade sheet electronic signatures process, if adopted, should be implemented in the same manner as the electronic midterm certification signature.

"Residency – Applicability – ProofVerification of Status" means the college's processes, in accordance with Section 2-16.02 of the Act for verifying the residency status of its students to ICCB as: As part of ~~proofverification~~ that its credit hours are eligible to receive ICCB grants, ~~each community college district shall submit its process for verifying the residency status of its students to the~~

~~ICCB each year with its certification of credit hours in accordance with 110 ILCS 805/2-16.02 as part of the annual external audit.~~ The process shall include the methods for verifying residency as defined in the general provisions, special State provisions, and district provisions of this Section. ~~A~~Each district shall file descriptions of any revisions to its process with ~~the~~ICCB ~~before~~prior to their implementation.

Residency—General Provisions. The following provisions apply both to State and district residency definitions:

To be classified as a resident of the State of Illinois or of the community college district, ~~a~~each student shall have occupied a dwelling within the State or district for at least 30 days immediately ~~before~~prior to the date established by the district for classes to begin.

The district shall maintain documentation verifying State or district residency of students.

Students occupying a dwelling in the State or district who fail to meet the 30-day residency requirement may not become residents simply by attending classes at a community college for 30 days or more.

Students who move from outside the State or district and who obtain residence in the State or district for reasons other than attending the community college shall be exempt from the 30-day requirement if they demonstrate through documentation a verifiable interest in establishing permanent residency.

Students who are currently under the legal guardianship of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services or have been recently emancipated from the Department and had a placement change into a new community college district shall be exempt from the 30-day requirement if they demonstrate proof of current in-district residency. Documentation of current residency may be submitted to the district from the student, a caseworker or other personnel of the Department, or the student's attorney or guardian ad litem.

Residency—District Provisions. Students shall not be classified as residents of the district where attending even though they may have met the general 30-day residency provision if they are:

federal job corps workers stationed in the district;

inmates of State or federal correctional/rehabilitation institutions located in the district;

full-time students attending a postsecondary educational institution in the district who have not demonstrated through documentation a verifiable interest in establishing permanent residency; ~~or~~

students attending under ~~the provisions of~~ a chargeback or contractual agreement with another community college.

Residency—Special State Provisions. Students shall be classified as residents of the State without meeting the general 30-day residency provision if they are:

federal job corps workers stationed in Illinois;

members of the armed services stationed in Illinois;

inmates of State correctional/rehabilitation institutions located in Illinois; or

employed full time in Illinois.

~~"Senior Citizen" means a person 65 years or older whose annual household income is less than the threshold amount provided in Section 4 of the Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities Property Tax Relief Act [320 ILCS 25].~~

~~"Special Initiatives Grants" means: Special initiatives grants provide funds for conducting special initiatives activities. Special initiatives activities are based upon criteria specified in a grant agreement between the college or vendor and the ICCB.~~

~~Special Initiatives Activities. Special initiatives activities are defined each year in a request for proposal process. All colleges will have the opportunity to apply for funds to conduct such approved special initiatives activities. Special initiatives activities are based upon criteria as specified in terms outlined in a grant agreement between the college and the ICCB.~~

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 1501.505 Student Tuition

~~Each~~ community college district will establish its own student tuition rates for in-district residents, in-~~state~~ out-of-district residents, out-of-~~state~~ residents, and out-of-country residents in accordance with the ~~State policies prescribed in Section 6-4 of the Illinois Community College Act [110 ILCS 805/6-4]~~ and ~~in~~ this Section.

a) In-District Tuition. The local community college board of trustees may set the tuition rates for in-district residents within the following policies:

1) The local community college board of trustees may set tuition rates for its in-district residents, including variable rates for each of its programs,

terms, time of enrollment, courses, delivery method, or other identifiable grouping of courses, as long as the weighted average of the tuition for all credit courses, including adult education, is no more than 1/3 the college district's per capita cost. The method of calculating the per capita cost will be as prescribed in Section 6-2 of the ~~Illinois Community College~~ Act.

- 2) A public community college shall charge in-district tuition rates for students who are currently under the legal guardianship of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services or who have been recently emancipated from the Department and meet the general residency provisions in Section 1501.501.
- 2) ~~A public community college shall permit senior citizens (as defined in 110 ILCS 990/1(c) as persons 65 years or older whose annual household income is less than the threshold amount provided in Section 4 of the Senior Citizens and Disabled Persons Property Tax Relief and Pharmaceutical Assistance Act) to enroll without the payment of tuition in regularly scheduled credit courses, other than credit courses designed specifically for senior citizens, provided that available classroom space exists and tuition paying students enrolled constitute the minimum number required for the course.~~
- 3) A public community college shall charge in-district tuition rates for students utilizing benefits under the federal All-Volunteer Force Educational Assistance Program or the federal Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 or any subsequent variations of that Act.

b) Out-of-District Tuition. The local community college board of trustees may set the tuition rates for out-of-district residents living within Illinois within the following policies:

- 1) The college will use the calculation for out-of-district tuition for chargeback purposes as prescribed in Section 6-2 of the ~~Illinois Community College~~ Act. The depreciation rate used in the out-of-district tuition calculation for capital expenditures for equipment and temporary buildings shall be 12.5 percent ~~aeach~~ year for eight years and for permanent facilities 2 percent ~~aeach~~ year for 50 years.
- 2) The college may use the variable tuition provision in Section 6-4 of the ~~Illinois Community College~~ Act to set market-driven out-of-district tuition rates for courses offered via Internet, correspondence, and other distance learning modes.
- 3) The college may set the out-of-district tuition rates for adult basic education, adult secondary education, and English as a second language courses for students who do not meet eligibility requirements in Section 105 ILCS 5/10-22.20 of the Illinois School Code.

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- 4) The college may charge in-district tuition to a student who is an out-of-district resident but who is employed for at least 35 hours per week by an entity located in the district or is enrolled in a course that is being provided under terms of a contract for services between the employing entity and the college.
 - 5) The college board of trustees may at its option charge in-district tuition to out-of-district residents who are attending an educational institution located within the college district.
 - 6) The college may enter into cooperative agreements for instruction with its neighboring districts for any or all of their programs to provide increased access to education for their students and may charge in-district tuition rates for students from any district within the cooperative agreement.
 - 7) The college may set the out-of-district tuition rate for all other credit instruction offered by the college at a minimum of 1.5 times the highest in-district tuition rate of any of its neighboring contiguous Illinois community college districts.
- c) Out-of-State Tuition. The local community college board of trustees may set the tuition rates for out-of-~~state~~State residents within the following policies:
- 1) The college may use the variable tuition provision specified in Section 6-4 of the ~~Illinois Community College~~ Act to set market-driven out-of-~~state~~State tuition rates for courses offered via Internet, correspondence, and other distance learning modes.
 - 2) The college may set the out-of-~~state~~State tuition rates for adult basic education, adult secondary education, and English as a second language courses for students who do not meet eligibility requirements in Section 105 ILCS 5/10-22.20 of the ~~Illinois~~ School Code.
 - 3) The college may charge in-district tuition to a student who is an out-of-~~state~~State resident but who is employed for at least 35 hours per week by an entity located in the district or is enrolled in a course that is being provided under terms of a contract for services between the employing entity and the college.
 - 4) The community college board of trustees may at its option charge in-district tuition to students who are out-of-~~state~~State residents but who are attending educational institutions within the college district.
 - 5) The college may set out-of-~~state~~State tuition rates within interstate agreements for instruction with out-of-~~state~~State institutions in accordance with the agreement, subject to approval by the ICCB.
 - 6) The college may set out-of-~~state~~State tuition rates for all other credit instruction offered by the college at a minimum of 1.67 times its in-district

tuition rate.

- d) Out-of-Country Tuition. The local community college board of trustees may set the tuition rates for out-of-country residents using the same policies as for out-of-~~state~~State residents described in subsection (c) ~~of this Section~~.
- e) Senior Citizen Tuition Waiver. The local community college board of trustees shall permit senior citizens, as defined in Section 1501.501, who reside within the community college district to enroll without the payment of tuition in regularly scheduled credit courses, other than credit courses designed specifically for senior citizens, provided that available classroom space exists and tuition paying students enrolled constitute the minimum number required for the course.

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 1501.507 Credit Hour Claims

- a) Claims. Claims for credit hours shall be submitted within 30 days after the end of each term in a format used by ICCB.
- b) Course Requirements. Courses that produce credit hours eligible for ICCB grants shall satisfy the following requirements:
 - 1) Courses shall be offered for the number of credit hours for which they are approved by ICCB.
 - 2) Courses that have variable credit hours shall be claimed in specified increments only up to the maximum credit value approved for the course.
 - 3) Course data shall be posted to the permanent academic record of each student claimed.
 - 4) Courses shall be a part of units of instruction that have been approved by ICCB, or the courses must be authorized extensions of existing units of instruction.
 - 5) Courses shall have specific written objectives.
 - 6) A course outline shall be available for review by any student or citizen.
 - 7) Courses shall have a method of evaluating student performance that follows the adopted college grading system.
 - 8) Courses shall follow the adopted college policies on student tuition.
 - 9) The following categories of physical education courses shall be the only ones to produce eligible credit hours:
 - A) Elective physical education courses;

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- B) Required courses for majors and minors in physical education, recreational leadership, and related programs;
 - C) Physical education courses in teacher education programs as required by the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board.
- 10) Courses shall produce a maximum rate of one semester credit hour or equivalent per week. Requests for exceptions to this requirement may be submitted to ICCB. The criteria utilized by ICCB for exceptions shall include:
- A) documentation of need for an intensified or accelerated schedule;
 - B) student population identified with testing and/or screening to indicate special needs and/or competencies;
 - C) how courses are instructed, including schedule of classes, study time allotted for students, method of instruction and how students are evaluated;
 - D) time period of instructional activity and projected termination date;
 - E) procedures to evaluate the accelerated instructional activity.
- 11) Dual Credit courses offered by the college for high school students during the regular school day shall be college-level and shall meet the following requirements:
- A) State Laws and Regulations and Accreditation Standards. All State laws, ICCB regulations, accreditation standards specified by the North Central Association, and local college policies that apply to courses, instructional procedures and academic standards at the college apply to college-level courses offered by the college on campus, at off-campus sites, and at secondary schools. These policies, regulations, instructional procedures and academic standards apply to students, faculty and staff associated with these courses.
 - B) Instructors. The instructors for these courses shall be selected, employed and evaluated by the community college. They shall be selected from individuals with appropriate credentials and demonstrated teaching competencies at the college level. For transfer courses (1.1 PCS ([in the ICCB Program Classification System](#))), these qualifications shall include a minimum of a Master's Degree with 18 graduate hours appropriate to the academic field of study or in the discipline in which they will be teaching. For [career and technical education CTE](#) (1.2 PCS) courses, these qualifications shall include 2,000 hours of work

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experience and appropriate recognizable credentials, depending on the specific field.

- C) Qualification of Students. Students accepted for enrollment in college-level courses must have appropriate academic qualifications, a high level of motivation, and adequate time to devote to studying a college-level course. The students' course selections shall be made in consultation with high school counselors and/or principals and are restricted to students who are able to demonstrate readiness for college-level work, as determined by placement procedures consistent with those that would be used with college level students. The students shall meet all college criteria and follow all college procedures for enrolling in courses. Credit hours generated by freshman and sophomore students for dual credit courses are not eligible for reimbursement.
 - D) Placement Testing and Prerequisites. High school students enrolling in college-level courses must satisfy the same course placement tests or course prerequisites as other college level students, when applicable, to assure that they are qualified and prepared.
 - E) Course Offerings. Courses shall be selected from transfer courses that have been articulated with baccalaureate institutions in Illinois (see 23 Ill. Adm. Code 1501.309(d)) or from courses in ICCB approved certificate or associate in applied science degree programs.
 - F) Course Requirements. The course outlines utilized for these courses shall be the same as for courses offered on campus and at other off-campus sites and shall contain the content articulated with colleges and universities in the State. Course prerequisites, descriptions, outlines, requirements, learning outcomes and methods of evaluating students shall be the same as for on-campus offerings.
 - G) Concurrent Credit. The determination of whether a college course is offered for concurrent high school and college credit shall be made at the secondary level, according to the school's policies and [the](#) practices of the district.
- c) Student Requirements. The following requirements shall apply to students who generate credit hours eligible for ICCB grants:
- 1) Students shall be certified by their instructors as being in attendance at midterm by including a certification statement on the midterm class roster, signed and dated by the instructor.
 - 2) Students who complete a course with a passing grade by the end of the

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term and who were not certified as being in attendance at midterm by the instructor shall be considered as having been in attendance at midterm.

- 3) Students enrolled in variable entry/variable exit classes or short-term classes of less than eight weeks may be certified by their instructors as having been in attendance at midterm by including a certification statement on the final class roster, signed and dated by the instructor.
 - 4) Students shall be residents of the State of Illinois.
 - 5) Auditors or visitors in a course shall not produce eligible credit hours.
 - 6) Students who repeat enrollment in a course shall produce credit hours eligible for ICCB grants when one of the following conditions is met:
 - A) If the student completed the course the first time of enrollment with less than a grade of C (or equivalent) and if the student was claimed for funding, the student may enroll and be claimed in the course one additional time;
 - B) If the student enrolled in the course previously and withdrew before completing the course, and if the student was claimed for funding, the student may enroll and be claimed in the course one additional time;
 - C) If a student completed the course previously and was claimed for funding, the student may be claimed for retaking the course if the student uses his/her option to retake the course tuition free under the college's educational guarantee program;
 - D) If the last time the student completed the course was at least four years previously, the student may be claimed for funding if the student repeats the course to upgrade his/her skills in that area; or
 - E) If a course has been approved by ICCB to be repeated, the student may repeat the course and be claimed as often as approved by ICCB.
- d) Exceptions. The following credits will not be eligible for ICCB funding:
- 1) Credit by examination;
 - 2) Military service credit for physical education;
 - 3) Transfer of credit earned at other institutions or in the armed forces;
 - 4) Proficiency examinations;
 - 5) Advanced placement credits;

- 6) Other methods of program acceleration that do not include instruction.
- e) Midterm Class List Certification Requirements
- 1) The midterm class lists' primary purpose shall be for certification of students' credit hours for State funding eligibility or ineligibility.
 - 2) The process must rely on the course section's instructor's assessment of the students' pursuit of successful completion at the midpoint of the class, as indicated by that instructor's midterm certification signature.
 - 3) The college shall document and communicate district requirements to faculty each semester.
 - 4) The college must be able to provide, upon request, a hardcopy midterm class list print out of each course section, submitted on ICCB credit hour claims, containing either a manual faculty signature or an authenticated electronic faculty signature for either ICCB or external audit purposes.
 - 5) Students who participate in an approved program with an intensified or accelerated schedule shall be exempt from the midterm class list requirements of this subsection (e) provided that a final class list is provided.

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 1501.520 Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship Grants

- a) Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship Grants shall be vouchered to community colleges.
- b) Students can qualify for their first Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship Grant if they meet the following criteria:
 - 1) Graduate from~~Complete~~ the Lincoln's Challenge Academy~~program~~;
 - 2) Earn a high school equivalency certificate~~Complete the GED~~;
 - 3) Enroll at anone of the 48 Illinois public community college~~colleges~~ in a certificate or degree program the next semester following graduation (~~For example, the June Lincoln's Challenge graduates would have to enroll in college by the fall semester.~~);
 - 4) Maintain and complete an academic course load~~Carry an academic load~~ of at least six credit hours in each fall and spring semester. ~~Scholarships for the summer semester will not be awarded~~; and
 - 5) Present the "notification of award" letter signed by the Executive Director~~President/CEO~~ of the Illinois Community College Board to the

community college at the time of registration.

- c) The scholarship amount will be awarded up to \$1,000 per student per semester for up to four successive semesters to be used toward the completion of a degree or certificate program. Scholarships for the summer semester will not be awarded.
- d) The scholarship grants ~~shall~~ be used to cover the cost of education, which includes tuition, books, fees, and required educational supplies for specific programs or classes.
- e) ~~The grant will only reimburse the college at the in-district tuition rate.~~
- f) ~~In order to receive the reimbursement, colleges must submit vouchers during the semester the student is enrolled or payment cannot be guaranteed. The following information must be submitted to the ICCB for each student:~~
 - 1) ~~Name;~~
 - 2) ~~Social Security Number;~~
 - 3) ~~Program of study;~~
 - 4) ~~Course Schedule (including credit hours);~~
 - 5) ~~Costs broken out by tuition, fees, books, and required educational supplies; and~~
 - 6) ~~ICCB initial or renewal approval letters. If a renewal, GPA and course completions from the previous semester are required.~~
- eg) ~~To~~In order to remain qualified for a Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship Grant after initial enrollment, each semester a student must:
 - 1) Submit a renewal application ~~GPA, course completion, and the letter of application~~ to ICCB ~~the Illinois Community College Board~~ requesting continuation of the scholarship for the following ~~next~~ semester.
 - 2) Submit a grade transcript showing successful completion of a minimum of six credit hours in the previous semester and a minimum Grade Point Average of 2.0.
 - 3) Submit a grade transcript and application ~~The letter must be~~ postmarked by July ~~August~~ 1 for application to the fall semester ~~term~~ and January 1 for application to the spring semester ~~term~~. Applications submitted electronically will be considered postmarked on the date sent.
 - 4) Meet with the community college's designated Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship coordinator at the time of enrollment and at mid-semester, and arrange an exit interview before completing the semester.

- ~~52)~~ Comply with academic standards as defined by college policy. Exceptions to this subsection (~~eg~~)(~~52~~), such as extenuating circumstances, shall be documented and reviewed by ICCB staff and the college's Lincoln's Challenge Scholarship coordinator~~college contacts~~.
- ~~3)~~ ~~Submit documentation showing successful completion of a minimum of 6 credit hours in the last semester and a GPA of 2.0 or higher.~~
- ~~fh)~~ Scholarship recipients shall notify ICCB of changes to contact information (including mailing address, email address, or phone number) or if the recipient enrolls in a community college other than the one listed on the original application~~Students may be awarded scholarship funds for the fall and spring semesters of two successive years to be used toward the completion of a degree or certificate program.~~
- ~~g)~~ The grant will only reimburse the college at the in-district tuition rate.
- ~~h)~~ To receive the reimbursement, colleges must submit vouchers during the semester the student is enrolled or payment cannot be guaranteed. The following information must be submitted to ICCB for each student:

 - ~~1)~~ Name;
 - ~~2)~~ Program of study;
 - ~~3)~~ Course ~~schedule~~ (including credit hours); and
 - ~~4)~~ Costs broken out by tuition, fees, books and required educational supplies.
- ~~i)~~ The number of scholarships awarded each year is contingent upon the amount of funds appropriated. The scholarships cannot be guaranteed to students even if all criteria are met. The distribution of available funds ~~amongbetween~~ new and renewed scholarships will be determined by the Illinois Community College Board to maximize use of the funds.
- ~~j)~~ Community colleges may credit student accounts pending reimbursement, but are not required to waive tuition should funds not be appropriated.

(Source: Amended at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 1501.APPENDIX A Fee Schedule for Data Matching

<u>NUMBER OF REQUESTOR RECORDS PROCESSED</u>	<u>FEE</u>
<u>Up to 24,000 records</u>	<u>\$1,900</u>
<u>24,001 to 80,000 records</u>	<u>\$3,800</u>
<u>80,001 to 300,000 records</u>	<u>\$8,300</u>
<u>300,001 to 1,000,000 records</u>	<u>\$15,000</u>

(Source: Added at 42 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

BACKGROUND

The Illinois General Assembly created the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR) in 1977. It is a bipartisan legislative oversight committee, and it has been delegated the responsibility to ensure that the laws enacted are appropriately implemented through administrative law. The Board, and all state agencies, has the authority to draft rules, publish them for public comment, and file them with JCAR for adoption. The compilation of all rules is known as the Illinois Administrative Code.

The proposed rules update the administrative rules for the Lincoln's ChalleNGe Scholarship Grant to reflect current terminology and agency operating practice. The rules also specifically stipulate that without an appropriation for the grants from the General Assembly and Governor, the community colleges are not required to waive a student's tuition.

Public Act 100-0417, approved by the Governor on September 15, 2017, amends the Board of Higher Education Act and the Illinois Public Community College Act to provide that the ICCB and IBHE may collect a fee to cover the cost of processing and handling individual student-level data requests pursuant to an approved data sharing agreement. The Act requires fees to be set by administrative rule. Therefore, the proposed rules establish fees pursuant to P.A. 100-0417 and codify existing ICCB policies and practices regarding data collection, security and confidentiality, and sharing.

The proposed rules update residency definitions and student tuition to clarify that Senior Citizen Tuition Waiver eligibility is limited to qualifying senior citizens that reside within the community college district from which a tuition waiver is sought. P.A. 98-306 (effective 8/12/13) and P.A. 99-0309 (effective 8/7/15) require that community colleges charge in-district tuition rates for students utilizing benefits under the federal All-Volunteer Force Educational Assistance Program, or the federal Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008. P.A. 99-0845 (effective 1/1/17) requires that community colleges charge in-district tuition rates for students who are currently under the legal guardianship of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services or who have been recently emancipated from the Department.

The Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) provides foundational academic skills needed to pursue upper-division coursework through 12 to 13 courses in math, communications, physical and life sciences, humanities and fine arts, and social and behavioral sciences. Currently, GECC completers can request a notation on their transcripts

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recognizing completion. However, the proposed rule changes authorize community colleges to award a GECC Credential to GECC completers.

Pursuant to the Credit for Prior Learning Act (Public Act 100-0261), the proposed rules establish statewide policies to permit community colleges to award credit for prior learning and require colleges to submit their institutional policies to the ICCB each year for review. The rules also establish specific statewide policies on the awarding of academic credit for military training per the Educational Credit for Military Experience Act (Public Act 100-0195).

Lastly, the rulemaking provides an exemption to the Board's current rules on course credit hours and midterm class lists certifications for students who participate in an approved program with an intensified or accelerated schedule.

Illinois Community College Board

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN
JOHN A. LOGAN COLLEGE
AND
REND LAKE COLLEGE**

The Illinois Community College Board is requested to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between John A. Logan College and Rend Lake College.

The participating parties desire to enter into this Intergovernmental Agreement for the expressed purpose of providing additional, expanded dual credit coursework to the respective high school students of each college district. Both John A. Logan College and Rend Lake College will follow the Dual Credit Quality Act (110 ILCS 27).

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the following motion be adopted:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves, bearing in mind all facets of the Dual Credit Quality Act (110ILCS 27), the Intergovernmental Agreement between John A. Logan College and Rend Lake College, which thereby allows the two parties to expand dual credit coursework to the respective high school students of each college district.

Illinois Community College Board

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN
REND LAKE COLLEGE
AND
SOUTHEASTERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE**

The Illinois Community College Board is requested to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Rend Lake College and Southeastern Illinois College.

The participating parties desire to enter into this Intergovernmental Agreement to collaborate and implement the sharing of Cosmetology between these two college campuses, and in which Rend Lake College will be the lead college/agency and Southeastern Illinois College will be partners in this application.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the following motion be adopted:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the Intergovernmental Agreement between Rend Lake College and Southeastern Illinois College, which thereby allows the two parties to implement the sharing of the Cosmetology program.

Illinois Community College Board

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN
REND LAKE COLLEGE
AND
SOUTHEASTERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE**

The Illinois Community College Board is requested to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Rend Lake College and Southeastern Illinois College.

The participating parties desire to enter into this Intergovernmental Agreement to implement an instructor/course cost sharing agreement between the two colleges. This agreement may be implemented when the expense and/or enrollment prove challenging for a single college. The Intergovernmental Agreement specifically notes TV distance and online courses.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended that the following motion be adopted:

The Illinois Community College Board hereby approves the Intergovernmental Agreement between Rend Lake College and Southeastern Illinois College, which thereby allows the two parties to implement an instructor/course cost sharing agreement.