



**REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION  
NORTHWEST STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
LESS THAN ONE YEAR TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE DESIGNATION**

**Background:**

The Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE) continues to work to identify ways to highlight qualified talent produced by the state's public technical centers, colleges, and universities to meet the workforce needs of Ohio. The Certificate and Industry Recognized Credential Review Project was developed to provide consistent parameters and reliable information about institutional certificates, occupational licenses and industry-recognized certifications obtained by post-secondary students.

The review process was developed to assure an accurate count of existing Less-Than-One Year Technical Certificates (*less than 30 semester credit hours or 900 clock hours in length*) and One-Year Technical Certificates (*at least 30 semester hours or 900 clock hours in length*) currently being offered at Ohio's public two-year community colleges. Ohio community colleges participated in the review process through the submission of requested information to determine if their current certificates met the criteria for Technical designation. Technical certificates are defined as organized programs of study that lead to an occupation or special employment opportunity and prepare students for a valid, available industry-recognized credential, such as an occupational license or third-party industry certification.

**Certificate Recommended Designation:**

<b>Certificate Name</b>	<b>Designation</b>
Cybersecurity Short-Term Certificate	<b>Less than one year technical, no expiration date</b>

End of Comment Period: April 5, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

No comments received, recommend approval

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Vice Chancellor has verified that this institution has met the standards and requirements of the Ohio Department of Higher Education.

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*4/11/18*

Stephanie Davidson, Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs

Date

**APPROVAL**

*John Carey*

*4/11/18*

John Carey, Chancellor

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