



Memorandum

To: Chief Academic Officers and Provosts

From: Dr. Paula Compton, Associate Vice Chancellor, Articulation and Transfer

Date: February 23, 2016

Subject: New Career-Technical Assurance Guide (CTAG): Construction Technology

I am pleased to announce a new Career-Technical Assurance Guide (CTAG) that facilitates transfer within Ohio's Public Colleges and Universities in the area of Construction Technology.

This memorandum will discuss the new Construction Technology CTAG.

Construction Technology

The Construction Technology CTAG was created through the Secondary Career-Technical Alignment Initiative (SCTAI), a collaborative effort between the [Ohio Department of Higher Education](#) (formerly, Ohio Board of Regents) and the [Ohio Department of Education \(ODE\)](#), which supports the legislative mandates in ORC 3333.162. Faculty experts from two-year and four-year institutions across the state worked on the initiative to ensure similar academic content by examining and providing input into ODE Content Standards and then aligning those standards with post-secondary learning outcomes. A survey was sent to all of Ohio's Public Colleges and Universities member institutions for review, comment, and endorsement. Findings favored the creation of a statewide agreement in Construction Technology and the addition of three new Career-Technical Articulation Numbers (CTANs) for statewide articulation. The attached Assurance Guide details the criteria that will provide secondary career-technical students the opportunity to earn credit for the approved CTANs below. This letter addresses the need for post-secondary participation. A separate announcement will address the alignment of secondary institutions.

The Construction Technology CTAG includes the following courses (CTANs):

CTCON001 - Plan Reading (3 Credits)

CTCON002 - Construction Safety (3 Credits)

CTCON003 - Construction Methods and Materials (3 Credits) / OAN OET016

Please see attached CTAG document for course descriptions and identified learning outcomes.

The first CTAN, CTCON001 - Plan Reading, as well as, the second CTAN, CTCON002 - Construction Safety are new CTANs. If your institution offers a course with similar content to CTCON001 - Plan Reading and CTAN, CTCON002 - Construction Safety, please submit the course through the Course Equivalency Management System (CEMS) for review. Providing a submission prior to April 4, 2016, will allow the course(s) to be reviewed in the next review cycle.

The third CTAN, CTCN003 - Construction Methods and Materials is already a TAG course (OAN OET016). Institutions that previously received TAG approval **do not** need to take further action. ODHE will copy the data for this course approval in the Course Equivalency Management System (CEMS) on your institution's behalf. Institutions that **do not already have TAG approval must** complete the TAG submission and approval process before (CT)² approval can be granted.

There will be a statewide Construction Technology discipline-specific teleconference. The purpose of this teleconference is to familiarize institutions with the CTAG process, facilitate timely submissions, and provide an overview of what is required from institutions making submissions. The meeting will be held on February 26, 2016 and will convene at 10:00 a.m. Faculty are encouraged to complete the registration for the teleconference, <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/M9GTGZ2>.

PLEASE NOTE: A faculty panel will also be composed in order to conduct reviews for institutional courses submitted through (CEMS). If you are aware of a faculty member who could potentially serve as a faculty panelist for the Construction Technology course equivalency review process, please follow the link to submit your nomination <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YFK8BGY>. Nominations should be submitted no later than March 9, 2016.

I would like to thank all of those involved in this process for their dedication and support. The names of the faculty participants are listed on page 5 of the Construction Technology CTAG. If you have any questions, please feel to contact Monique Menefee-Proffitt, Associate Director of Career-Technical Transfer Initiatives, mmenefee-proffitt@highered.ohio.gov or 614-387-1022 or Jamilah Tucker, Director of Career-Technical Transfer Initiatives, jjones@highered.ohio.gov 614-466-0543.

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