Memorandum

To: Chief Academic Officers and Provosts  
From: Paula Compton, Associate Vice Chancellor, Articulation and Transfer  
Date: January 16, 2015  
Subject: New Career-Technical Assurance Guide (CTAG): Introduction to Criminal Justice and Statewide Discipline-specific Meetings

I am pleased to announce the creation and adoption of the first of several new Career-Technical Assurance Guides (CTAGs) that facilitate transfer from Ohio’s public secondary career-technical institutions to Ohio’s public colleges and universities.

This memorandum will discuss the new Criminal Justice CTAG, upcoming CTAG offerings, and request your nominations for participants in upcoming statewide meetings.

**Criminal Justice**

The Criminal Justice CTAG was created through the Secondary Career-Technical Alignment Initiative (SCTAI), a collaborative effort between the Ohio Board of Regents (OBR) and the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) that 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 the post-secondary learning outcomes contained within the Criminal Justice Transfer Assurance Guide (TAG) /Ohio Articulation Number (OAN) OSS031, Introduction to Criminal Justice. A survey was sent to all University System of Ohio member institutions for review, comment, and endorsement. Findings favored the creation of a statewide agreement. The attached Assurance Guide details the criteria that will provide secondary career-technical students the opportunity for credit for the approved Career-Technical Articulation Number (CTAN):

Introduction to Criminal Justice: **CTCJ001 = 3 semester hours**

For this CTAG, post-secondary institutions that are currently approved for Introduction to Criminal Justice (OSS031) **do not** need to take further action. Because CTAG approval follows TAG approval, OBR will copy the data for this course approval in the Course Equivalency Management System (CEMS) on your institution’s behalf. We anticipate completing this data
migration by March 2015. Post-secondary institutions that do not already have a TAG approved course for Introduction to Criminal Justice (OSS031) must complete the TAG submission and approval process before CTAG approval can be granted.

Please review the attached CTAG document, as well as the FAQ Document, for information on how secondary students can access this credit at your institution.

**Statewide Meeting Information**

To facilitate the successful expansion of career-technical opportunities for credit to secondary partners, the Ohio Articulation and Transfer Network will host several statewide meetings for discipline-specific faculty and front line personnel at your institution. We are seeking representation from the following disciplines: Criminal Justice, Medical Laboratory Assisting, Health Information Management, Exercise Science, and Automotive Technology and Ground Transportation. We ask that you nominate one (1) to two (2) faculty members for each discipline in the attached survey, and at least one (1), but not more than two (2) representatives from the front lines of your institution (in the area of admissions, transfer coordination, or registration) to attend one of the statewide meetings.

Nominations should be submitted no later **February 6, 2015** via this link: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RZ2HTB9](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RZ2HTB9).

Meeting participants will receive confirmation from our office.

I would like to thank all of those involved in this process for their dedication and support. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Tonya Ervin, Assistant Director of Career-Technical Initiatives at 614.387.1022 or [tervin@regents.state.oh.us](mailto:tervin@regents.state.oh.us).