



**NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM**  
*Dr. R. Scott Ralls, President*

November 21, 2011

**To:** Presidents  
Chief Academic Officers

**From:** Sharon E. Morrissey, Ed. D.  
Senior Vice President and Chief Academic Officer

**Subject:** Curriculum Review Committee Course Approvals

The Curriculum Review Committee (CRC) has the responsibility for maintaining the curriculum courses in the Combined Course Library (CCL). The approved course requests from the Fall 2011 meeting are attached for your information.

The State Board of Community Colleges has delegated authority to the Senior Vice President and Chief Academic Officer to approve curriculum standard changes involving **core course title and/or credit hour changes** resulting from CRC action. The standards listed below have been revised as a result of CRC-approved changes to one or more core courses:

<u>Curriculum Title</u>	<u>Curriculum Code</u>
Professional Crafts: Fiber	A30320
Zoo and Aquarium Science Technology	A20220

The CRC also approved requests to revise the **course description, prerequisite(s), corequisite(s), and/or class/lab hours** of core courses found on the curriculum standard listed below. Please note that the only change indicated on the printed standard will be the inclusion of the statement *CRC Revised-Electronic Only 10/18/11*, since only the electronic version of the standard template will be revised:

<u>Curriculum Title</u>	<u>Curriculum Code</u>
Ophthalmic Medical Assistant (Diploma)	D45510

The following curriculum standard involved CRC-approved core course revisions and additional standard revision requests that were approved at the State Board of Community Colleges in October:

<u>Curriculum Title</u>	<u>Curriculum Code</u>
Surgical Technology	A45740

The revised standards are attached for your convenience.

A few of the course revisions may involve the removal of required prerequisites or corequisites. Please note that colleges may add local prerequisites and/or corequisites if they determine a need exists.

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Please be aware that you must implement the attached revised courses and standards no later than one year after the effective term. You must update your college's electronic program of study and receive approval from the System Office prior to implementation of the revised courses and program.

Other CRC action included the following:

A request to increase the length of curriculum course titles was approved. The course title length was increased from a maximum length of 25 characters to a maximum length of 30 characters.

A request to increase the length of curriculum course descriptions was approved. The maximum length of the first and second sentences increased from 25 to 40 words per sentence. The third sentence was increased from 25 to 50.

The course request forms contained in the *Curriculum Review Committee Procedures* have been revised to reflect the allowance of longer titles and course descriptions. Curriculum standards, curriculum courses and procedures for submitting requests to the CRC are available on the Academic Programs home page at <http://www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/programs>.

If you need assistance or clarification, please contact Ms. Jennifer Frazelle, Program Director, at [frazellej@nccommunitycolleges.edu](mailto:frazellej@nccommunitycolleges.edu) or at (919) 807-7120.

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Attachments

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Program Coordinators

**Curriculum Course Requests Approved By the Curriculum Review Committee (CRC)  
on October 18, 2011**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Effective Semester</b>	<b>Curriculum Standard Core Course</b>
AET-124	Airframe Systems	Change prerequisite from "AVI 110" to "None" (Guilford TCC)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) **	n/a
CTI-135	Introduction to Green IT	New CCL course (Central Piedmont CC)	Spring 2012 (2012*01)	n/a
DMA-010	Operations with Integers	New CCL Course (DEI Math Redesign Task Force)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) for pilot colleges only	n/a
DMA-020	Fractions and Decimals	New CCL Course (DEI Math Redesign Task Force)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) for pilot colleges only	n/a
DMA-030	Propor/Ratio/Rate/Percent	New CCL Course (DEI Math Redesign Task Force)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) for pilot colleges only	n/a
DMA-040	Express/ Lin Equat/ Inequal	New CCL Course (DEI Math Redesign Task Force)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) for pilot colleges only	n/a
DMA-050	Graphs/Equations of Lines	New CCL Course (DEI Math Redesign Task Force)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) for pilot colleges only	n/a
DMA-060	Polynomial/Quadratic Appl	New CCL Course (DEI Math Redesign Task Force)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) for pilot colleges only	n/a
DMA-070	Rational Express/ Equation	New CCL Course (DEI Math Redesign Task Force)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) for pilot colleges only	n/a
DMA-080	Radical Express/Equations	New CCL Course (DEI Math Redesign Task Force)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) for pilot colleges only	n/a

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<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>Effective Semester</b>	<b>Curriculum Standard Core Course</b>
EMS-243	Wilderness EMT	New CCL course (Southwestern CC)	Spring 2012 (2012*01)	n/a
LIB-215	Library Management	New CCL course (Central Carolina CC)	Spring 2012 (2012*01)	n/a
OPH-103	Intro to Diseases of Eye	Change corequisites from "OPH 104, OPH 105, and OPH 106" to "None" (Caldwell CC and TI)	Spring 2012 (2012*01)	Ophthalmic Medical Assistant (Diploma) (D45510)
OPH-104	Basic Ophthalmic Phrama	Change corequisites from "OPH 103, OPH 105, and OPH 106" to "None" (Caldwell CC and TI)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) **	Ophthalmic Medical Assistant (Diploma) (D45510)
OPH-105	Ophthalmic Clin Proc I	Change corequisites from "OPH 103, OPH 106, and OPH 109" to "None" (Caldwell CC and TI)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) **	Ophthalmic Medical Assistant (Diploma) (D45510)
OPH-106	Ophtha Med Assist Pract I	Change corequisites from "OPH 103, OPH 104, and OPH 105" to "None" (Caldwell CC and TI)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) **	Ophthalmic Medical Assistant (Diploma) (D45510)
OPH-107	Ophthalmic Clin Proc II	Change prerequisites from "OPH 103" to "OPH 150, OPH 151 and OPH 105"; Change corequisites from "OPH 104, OPH 108, and OPH 110" to "None" (Caldwell CC and TI)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) **	Ophthalmic Medical Assistant (Diploma) (D45510)
OPH-108	Ophthalmic Patient Care	Change prerequisites from "OPH 103" to "OPH 150 and OPH 151"; Change corequisites from "OPH 107, OPH 109, and OPH 110" to "None" (Caldwell CC and TI)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) **	Ophthalmic Medical Assistant (Diploma) (D45510)

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OPH-109	Ophtha Optics & Basic Refract	Change prerequisites from "OPH 103" to "OPH 150 and OPH 151"; Change corequisites from "OPH 107, OPH 108, and OPH 110" to "None" (Caldwell CC and TI)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) **	Ophthalmic Medical Assistant (Diploma) (D45510)
OPH-110	Op Med Asst Practicum II	Change prerequisites from "OPH 103" to "OPH 150, OPH 151, and OPH 106"; Change corequisites from "OPH 107, OPH 108, and OPH 109" to "None" (Caldwell CC and TI)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) **	Ophthalmic Medical Assistant (Diploma) (D45510)
PCF-111	Intermediate Weaving	Change course hours from "2-15-0-7" to "2-10-0-7", Change course description. (Haywood CC)	Fall 2012 (2012*03)	Professional Crafts: Fiber (A30320)
PCF-113	Sewing with Hand-wovens	New CCL course (Haywood CC)	Spring 2012 (2012*01)	n/a
PCF-123	Print Design for Textiles	New CCL course (Haywood CC)	Spring 2012 (2012*01)	n/a
PCF-210	20th Century Textiles	Change title to "Contemporary Textiles"; Change course description (Haywood CC)	Fall 2012 (2012*03)	n/a
PCF-211	Production Weaving	Change title to "Production Mthds/Textiles"; Change course description (Haywood CC)	Fall 2012 (2012*03)	Professional Crafts: Fiber (A30320)
PCF-213	Professional Textiles	New CCL course (Haywood CC)	Spring 2012 (2012*01)	n/a
SUR-110	Intro to Surg Tech	Change course description (Asheville-Buncombe TCC)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) **	Surgical Technology (A45740)
SUR-111	Periop Patient Care	Change course description (Asheville-Buncombe TCC)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) **	Surgical Technology (A45740)

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SUR-137	Prof Success Prep	Change course description (Asheville-Buncombe TCC)	Spring 2012 (2012*01) **	Surgical Technology (A45740)
ZAS-110	Intro to Zookeeping	Change course hours from "2-6-0-4" to "3-6-0-5" (Davidson County CC)	Fall 2012 (2012*03)	Zoo and Aquarium Science Technology (A20220)
ZAS-120	Zoonotic Diseases	New CCL course (Davidson County CC)	Spring 2012 (2012*01)	n/a

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# CURRICULUM STANDARD

Effective Term  
Fall 2009  
[2009\*03]

Curriculum Program Title **Ophthalmic Medical Assistant (Diploma)** Code **D45510**  
Concentration **(not applicable)**

## *Curriculum Description*

The Ophthalmic Medical Assistant Program prepares individuals to perform ophthalmic procedures under the supervision of a licensed physician specializing in Ophthalmology. Course work includes lecture, laboratory, and clinical training in ocular measurements; ocular testing; lensometry; administering topical and oral medications; eye care; and caring for instruments.

Graduates are employed in medical institutions, clinics, or physician practices.

Graduates may qualify as candidates to take the Joint Commission on Allied Health Personnel, Ophthalmology National Certification Exam.

## *Curriculum Requirements\**

*[for associate degree, diploma, and certificate programs in accordance with 23 NCAC 02E.0204 (3)]*

- I. General Education.** Degree programs must contain a minimum of 15 semester hours including at least one course from each of the following areas: humanities/fine arts, social/behavioral sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics. Degree programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of communications. Diploma programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of general education; 3 semester hours must be in communications. General education is optional in certificate programs.
- II. Major Hours.** AAS, diploma, and certificate programs must include courses which offer specific job knowledge and skills. Work experience, including cooperative education, practicums, and internships, may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit. *(See second page for additional information.)*
- III. Other Required Hours.** A college may include courses to meet graduation or local employer requirements in a certificate, diploma, or associate in applied science program. These curriculum courses shall be selected from the Combined Course Library and must be approved by the System Office prior to implementation. Restricted, unique, or free elective courses may not be included as other required hours.

	<b>AAS</b>	<b>Diploma</b>	<b>Certificate</b>
Minimum General Education Hours	15	6	0
Minimum Major Hours	49	30	12
Other Required Hours	0-7	0-4	0-1
<b>Total Semester Hours Credit (SHC)</b>	<b>64-76</b>	<b>36-48</b>	<b>12-18</b>

*\*Within the degree program, the institution shall include opportunities for the achievement of competence in reading, writing, oral communication, fundamental mathematical skills, and basic use of computers.*



# CURRICULUM STANDARD

Effective Term  
Fall 2012  
[2012\*03]

Curriculum Program Title

**Professional Crafts: Fiber**

Code

**A30320**

Concentration

**(not applicable)**

## *Curriculum Description*

The Professional Crafts: Fiber curriculum is designed to train individuals as professional handweavers. Instruction includes technical weaving knowledge, dye work, design skills, and marketing and business essentials.

Students will learn warping techniques, weaving theory and technique, dye applications, and finishing methods. Students will receive design skills to aid them in personalizing their own work. Additional instruction will provide the bases for starting and running a small business.

Graduates will be able to open and operate their own weaving studio, work for an existing weaving business, or transfer to a four-year degree program.

## *Curriculum Requirements\**

*[for associate degree, diploma, and certificate programs in accordance with 23 NCAC 02E.0204 (3)]*

- I. General Education.** Degree programs must contain a minimum of 15 semester hours including at least one course from each of the following areas: humanities/fine arts, social/behavioral sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics. Degree programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of communications. Diploma programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of general education; 3 semester hours must be in communications. General education is optional in certificate programs.
- II. Major Hours.** AAS, diploma, and certificate programs must include courses which offer specific job knowledge and skills. Work experience, including cooperative education, practicums, and internships, may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit. *(See second page for additional information.)*
- III. Other Required Hours.** A college may include courses to meet graduation or local employer requirements in a certificate, diploma, or associate in applied science program. These curriculum courses shall be selected from the Combined Course Library and must be approved by the System Office prior to implementation. Restricted, unique, or free elective courses may not be included as other required hours.

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<b>Total Semester Hours Credit (SHC)</b>	<b>64-76</b>	<b>36-48</b>	<b>12-18</b>

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## *Major Hours*

*[ref. 23 NCAC 02E.0204 (3)]*

- A. Core.** The subject/course core is comprised of subject areas and/or specific courses which are required for each curriculum program. A diploma program offered under an approved AAS program standard or a certificate which is the highest credential level awarded under an approved AAS program standard must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit derived from the subject/course core of the AAS program.
- B. Concentration** *(if applicable)*. A concentration of study must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit from required subjects and/or courses. The majority of the course credit hours are unique to the concentration. The required subjects and/or courses that make up the concentration of study are in addition to the required subject/course core.
- C. Other Major Hours.** Other major hours must be selected from prefixes listed on the curriculum standard. A maximum of 9 semester hours of credit may be selected from any prefix listed, with the exception of prefixes listed in the core or concentration. Work experience, including cooperative education, practicums, and internships, may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit.

### Professional Crafts: Fiber A30320

	AAS	Diploma	Certificate
<b>Minimum Major Hours Required</b>	<b>49 SHC</b>	<b>30 SHC</b>	<b>12 SHC</b>
<b>A. CORE</b> <i>Courses required for the diploma are designated with *</i>  <b>Required Courses:</b> * PCF 110 Introduction to Weaving 7 SHC * PCF 111 Intermediate Weaving 7 SHC PCF 112 Weaving for Clothing 4 SHC PCF 211 Production Mthds/Textiles 7 SHC PCF 212 Professional Weaving 7 SHC  <b>Required Subject Areas:</b> None	<b>32 SHC</b>	<b>14 SHC</b>	
<b>B. CONCENTRATION</b> <i>(Not applicable)</i>			
<b>C. OTHER MAJOR HOURS</b> <i>To be selected from the following prefixes:</i>  ART, CIS, COE, CSC, DES, PCF, PCD, PCR, PHO, and TEX  <i>Foreign language courses (including ASL) that are not designated as approved other major hours may be included in all programs up to a maximum of 3 semester hours of credit.</i>			

# CURRICULUM STANDARD

Effective Term  
Spring 2012  
[2012\*01]

Curriculum Program Title

**Surgical Technology**

Code

**A45740**

Concentration

**(not applicable)**

## *Curriculum Description*

The Surgical Technology curriculum prepares individuals to assist in the care of the surgical patient in the operating room and to function as a member of the surgical team.

Students will apply theoretical knowledge to the care of patients undergoing surgery and develop skills necessary to prepare supplies, equipment, and instruments; maintain aseptic conditions; prepare patients for surgery; and assist surgeons during operations.

Employment opportunities include labor/delivery/emergency departments, inpatient/outpatient surgery centers, dialysis units/facilities, physicians' offices, and central supply processing units.

*Students of Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) accredited programs are required to take the national certification exam administered by the National Board on Certification in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (NBSTSA) within a four week period prior to or after graduation.*

## *Curriculum Requirements\**

*[for associate degree, diploma, and certificate programs in accordance with 23 NCAC 02E.0204 (3)]*

- I. General Education.** Degree programs must contain a minimum of 15 semester hours including at least one course from each of the following areas: humanities/fine arts, social/behavioral sciences, and natural sciences/mathematics. Degree programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of communications. Diploma programs must contain a minimum of 6 semester hours of general education; 3 semester hours must be in communications. General education is optional in certificate programs.
- II. Major Hours.** AAS, diploma, and certificate programs must include courses which offer specific job knowledge and skills. Work experience, including cooperative education, practicums, and internships, may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit. *(See second page for additional information.)*
- III. Other Required Hours.** A college may include courses to meet graduation or local employer requirements in a certificate, diploma, or associate in applied science program. These curriculum courses shall be selected from the Combined Course Library and must be approved by the System Office prior to implementation. Restricted, unique, or free elective courses may not be included as other required hours.

	<b>AAS</b>	<b>Diploma</b>	<b>Certificate</b>
Minimum General Education Hours	15	6	0
Minimum Major Hours	49	30	12
Other Required Hours	0-7	0-4	0-1
<b>Total Semester Hours Credit (SHC)</b>	<b>64-76</b>	<b>36-48</b>	<b>12-18</b>

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## *Major Hours*

*[ref. 23 NCAC 02E.0204 (3)]*

- A. Core.** The subject/course core is comprised of subject areas and/or specific courses which are required for each curriculum program. A diploma program offered under an approved AAS program standard or a certificate which is the highest credential level awarded under an approved AAS program standard must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit derived from the subject/course core of the AAS program.
- B. Concentration** *(if applicable)*. A concentration of study must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit from required subjects and/or courses. The majority of the course credit hours are unique to the concentration. The required subjects and/or courses that make up the concentration of study are in addition to the required subject/course core.
- C. Other Major Hours.** Other major hours must be selected from prefixes listed on the curriculum standard. A maximum of 9 semester hours of credit may be selected from any prefix listed, with the exception of prefixes listed in the core or concentration. Work experience, including cooperative education, practicums, and internships, may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit.

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	AAS	Diploma	Certificate
<b>Minimum Major Hours Required</b>	<b>49 SHC</b>	<b>30 SHC</b>	<b>12 SHC</b>
<b>A. CORE</b> <i>Courses required for the diploma are designated with *</i>  <b>Required Courses:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* SUR 110 Introduction to Surgical Technology 3 SHC</li> <li>* SUR 111 Perioperative Patient Care 7 SHC</li> <li>* SUR 122 Surgical Procedures I 6 SHC</li> <li>* SUR 123 SUR Clinical Practice I 7 SHC</li> <li>* SUR 134 Surgical Procedures II 5 SHC</li> <li>* SUR 135 SUR Clinical Practice II 4 SHC</li> <li>* SUR 137 Professional Success Preparation 1 SHC</li> <li>SUR 210 Advanced SUR Clinical Practice 2 SHC</li> <li>SUR 211 Advanced Theoretical Concepts 2 SHC</li> </ul> <b>Required Subject Areas:</b> None	<b>37 SHC</b>	<b>33 SHC</b>	
<b>B. CONCENTRATION</b> <i>(Not applicable)</i>			
<b>C. OTHER MAJOR HOURS</b> <i>To be selected from the following prefixes:</i>  BIO, BUS, CIS, COE, CSC, ECO, ENG, HSC, MED, PSY, SOC, STP, and SUR  <i>Foreign language courses (including ASL) that are not designated as approved other major hours may be included in all programs up to a maximum of 3 semester hours of credit.</i>			

# CURRICULUM STANDARD

Effective Term  
Fall 2012  
[2012\*03]

Curriculum Program Title

**Zoo and Aquarium Science Technology**

Code

**A20220**

Concentration

**(not applicable)**

## ***Curriculum Description***

The Zoo and Aquarium Science Technology curriculum prepares students for employment in zoological parks, aquaria, or other settings requiring animal care, breeding, education/conservation, or health of exotic animals.

Course work emphasizes anatomy, physiology, reproduction, behavior, and nutrition of exotic animals that are on exhibit for education and/or conservation purposes or for animals maintained for medical purposes. Students have practical experiences with basic husbandry skills, animal handling/capture/restraint skills, the ability to detect illness, and creative design of exhibits.

Graduates of the curriculum should qualify for entry-level employment opportunities in a variety of settings, including zoos, aquaria, nature science centers, and animal research facilities.

## ***Curriculum Requirements\****

*[for associate degree, diploma, and certificate programs in accordance with 23 NCAC 02E.0204(3)]*

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- III. Other Required Hours.** A college may include courses to meet graduation or local employer requirements in a certificate, diploma, or associate in applied science program. These curriculum courses shall be selected from the Combined Course Library and must be approved by the System Office prior to implementation. Restricted, unique, or free elective courses may not be included as other required hours.

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## *Major Hours*

[ref. 23 NCAC 02E.0204 (3)]

- A. Core.** The subject/course core is comprised of subject areas and/or specific courses which are required for each curriculum program. A diploma program offered under an approved AAS program standard or a certificate which is the highest credential level awarded under an approved AAS program standard must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit derived from the subject/course core of the AAS program.
- B. Concentration** (*if applicable*). A concentration of study must include a minimum of 12 semester hours credit from required subjects and/or courses. The majority of the course credit hours are unique to the concentration. The required subjects and/or courses that make up the concentration of study are in addition to the required subject/course core.
- C. Other Major Hours.** Other major hours must be selected from prefixes listed on the curriculum standard. A maximum of 9 semester hours of credit may be selected from any prefix listed, with the exception of prefixes listed in the core or concentration. Work experience, including cooperative education, practicums, and internships, may be included in associate in applied science degrees up to a maximum of 8 semester hours of credit; in diploma programs up to a maximum of 4 semester hours of credit; and in certificate programs up to a maximum of 2 semester hours of credit.

### Zoo and Aquarium Science Technology (A20220)

	AAS	Diploma	Certificate
<b>Minimum Major Hours Required</b>	<b>49 SHC</b>	<b>30 SHC</b>	<b>12 SHC</b>
<b>A. CORE</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>NR</b>	
<b>Required Courses:</b> BIO 111 General Biology I 4 SHC BIO 112 General Biology II 4 SHC BIO 242 Nat Resource Conservation 3 SHC ZAS 110 Intro to Zookeeping 5 SHC ZAS 112 Intro to Zoo Science 1 SHC ZAS 113 Animal Exhibits 1 SHC ZAS 114 Species Survival Plans 1 SHC ZAS 115 Animal Welfare Issues 1 SHC ZAS 130 Introduction to Ethology 3 SHC ZAS 131 Applied Animal Psych 3 SHC ZAS 232 Zoo Invertebrates 3 SHC ZAS 234 Zoo Herpetology 3 SHC ZAS 235 Zoo Ornithology 3 SHC ZAS 236 Zoo Mammalogy 3 SHC COE 112 Co-op Work Exp I 2 SHC COE 122 Co-op Work Exp II 2 SHC COE 132 Co-op Work Exp III 2 SHC COE 212 Co-op Work Exp IV 2 SHC			
<b>Required Subject Areas:</b> None			
<b>B. CONCENTRATION</b> ( <i>Not applicable</i> )			

**Zoo and Aquarium Science Technology (A20220) Continued**

**C. OTHER MAJOR HOURS**

*To be selected from the following prefixes:*

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ACM, BIO, BUS, CIS, COE, PED, PSY, and ZAS

*Foreign language courses (including ASL) that are not designated as approved other major hours may be included in all programs up to a maximum of 3 semester hours of credit.*

# **CURRICULUM PROCEDURES REFERENCE MANUAL**

## **SECTION 15**

### **Curriculum Review Committee**

### **Procedures**

Revised  
October 18, 2011

# **Curriculum Review Committee Procedures**

## **Assumptions and Philosophy**

### **Purpose**

The Curriculum Review Committee (CRC) is committed to maintaining and sustaining the viability of the Combined Course Library (CCL). The CRC recognizes a responsibility for ensuring that colleges maximize use of the CCL and limit the proliferation of courses throughout the system. The CRC has the authority for approving changes, additions, and deletions to the CCL.

### **Objectives**

The CRC discusses issues associated with college requests for changes, deletions, and/or additions to the CCL before taking action. As a decision-making body, committee members strive to achieve consensus, rather than simple majority vote. If a clear division among committee members occurs during a vote, discussion continues until a decision is reached that all members can accept and understand. The committee strives to identify existing alternative solutions when requests are denied. CRC members are dedicated to increasing the degree of flexibility available to individual colleges, i.e., use of local prerequisites in lieu of system-imposed prerequisites.

## **Procedures**

### **Curriculum Review Committee**

A Curriculum Review Committee was established to oversee the maintenance and revision of the North Carolina Community College System (NCCCS) Combined Course Library.

The committee will normally be composed of ten community college administrators and two presidents. The chairperson of the North Carolina Association of Community College Instructional Administrators (NCACCIA) will submit nominations to the Vice President for Academic and Student Services, who will appoint ten college administrators to the committee. The Presidents Association will appoint two members to the committee.

- (1) The committee members will be selected to represent system demographics based on the college's size, location and service area (rural/urban).
- (2) The committee members will serve three-year terms with four of the members rotating off each year, effective January 1, 2005. The current CRC members are listed in Attachment 1.
- (3) The Associate Vice President, Student Learning and Success, at the System Office will also serve on the committee, as a non-voting member.

If committee members are unable to fulfill their obligations/terms, then the chairperson of the NCACCIA or the president of the Presidents Association will submit nominations to the Senior Vice President/Chief Academic Officer for Academic and Student Services, who will appoint new members to the committee. The duration of this interim appointment is based on the original committee member's term.

The committee normally meets three times a year. Meeting and submission dates are identified in Attachment 2.

### **Role of System Office Staff**

College requests are submitted through the office of the Senior Vice President/Chief Academic Officer for Academic and Student Services.

System Office Staff has the following responsibilities prior to the CRC meeting:

- (1) Consult with the requesting college to assist in preparation of the request (before and/or after the formal submission of the request).
- (2) Send the request to applicable colleges for a formal vote.
- (3) Prepare an analysis of the request to be transmitted to the CRC.
- (4) Present the requests at the CRC meeting, answering CRC members' questions and providing additional information, as needed.
- (5) Notify colleges of the results of the CRC meeting.
- (6) Coordinate applicable curriculum standard revisions by the State Board of Community Colleges or the Senior Vice President/Chief Academic Officer for Academic and Student Services, as appropriate.
- (7) Enter courses and curriculum standards information into appropriate electronic databases and post the information to the NCCCS website.

System Office staff may submit requests for consideration by the CRC. These requests may include, but are not limited to, compliance issues and editorial revisions that do not require decision by the colleges offering the course.

### **New Course Approvals**

Colleges may submit requests for new CCL course approvals using Form 15-1 (Attachment 3). "New courses" are courses which are not currently in the CCL. The submission schedule for colleges is identified in Attachment 2. The CRC will review the requests to add new courses to the CCL.

A college will receive official notification from the System Office that its request for a new course has been received and the request will be submitted to the CRC at the next scheduled meeting.

The CRC will approve the appropriate areas of General Education, Major Hours, or Other Required Hours for the new course.

The State Board will act upon new courses that are included in applications for curriculum programs new to the System. The System Office will notify colleges of the State Board actions.

### **Revision of CCL Courses**

Colleges may submit requests for revisions to CCL courses using Form 15-2 (Attachment 4). The submission schedule for colleges is identified in Attachment 2. The CRC will review the requests to revise CCL courses.

Requests received after the due dates will be acknowledged and placed on the agenda for the next meeting. The revisions are effective one year following the approval by the CRC. Colleges may request earlier implementation. The request along with the rationale should be included with the request.

The proposed revision will be reviewed by all colleges which list the course on an approved program of study, and a **two-thirds majority vote** of colleges that have approval to offer the course is required before the CRC may take action on the proposed course revision. Colleges not responding within the specified time period (usually two weeks) are considered in favor of the request.

### **Reclassification of Courses**

Colleges may submit requests for reclassification of CCL courses using Form 15-3 (Attachment 5). The submission schedule for colleges is identified in Attachment 2. The CRC will review the requests to reclassify CCL courses. Requests received after due dates will be acknowledged and placed on the agenda for the next meeting. The reclassifications are effective one year following the approval by the CRC. Colleges may request earlier implementation. The request along with the rationale should be included with the request.

The proposed reclassification will be reviewed by all colleges which list the course on an approved program of study, and a **two-thirds majority vote** of colleges that have approval to offer the course is required before the CRC may take action on the proposed course reclassification. Colleges not responding within the specified time period (usually two weeks) are considered in favor of the request.

### **Curriculum Review Committee Process**

The Curriculum Review Committee (CRC) has the responsibility and authority to approve all changes to the Combined Course Library (CCL). The CRC process insures that all requests for changes receive a thorough, timely, and impartial peer review:

Upon review of each request, the CRC has the following options:

- (1) CRC approves request. The System Office staff notifies colleges. New and revised courses are sent electronically to all colleges.
- (2) CRC tables request. The Program Coordinator will consult with the requesting college to provide additional information requested by CRC.
- (3) CRC does not approve request. The System Office Staff notifies the requesting college. The Program Coordinator will consult with requesting college to clarify the CRC's position and/or to explore alternative ways to meet the objectives of the requested change.

### **Resubmission of Denied Request**

If the college still seeks further review of a denied request, the following additional review steps may be used:

- (1) Requesting college modifies request based on CRC rationale and resubmits. (There is no limit on the number of times a college may modify and resubmit a request.)
- (2) Requesting college, in consultation with Program Coordinator, prepares a detailed response to the CRC's decision including, when appropriate, additional documentation supporting the need for the change.

Upon additional review of the request, the CRC has the following options:

- (1) CRC approves request. Colleges are notified by the System Office staff of the action. New and revised courses are sent electronically to all colleges.
- (2) CRC does not approve request. The requesting college is notified by the System Office staff of the decision.

## **Appeals Process**

If the CRC does not approve a request for change after at least an initial and one additional review, representatives of the requesting college will have the opportunity to present the request in person at a called meeting of the CRC. A college has ten (10) working days from receipt of the CRC's second decision to state in writing its intent to pursue this option. The college submits its intent to the Associate Vice President, Student Learning and Success, who will forward the request to the chair of the CRC. The chair of the CRC will arrange a meeting with the college at the earliest mutually convenient time, not to exceed 20 working days from receipt of notification from the Associate Vice President, Student Learning and Success. A majority of CRC members must be present to hear and discuss the request with college representatives.

If, after meeting together, the CRC and the requesting college are not able to reach a mutually acceptable resolution, the requesting college may appeal the CRC decision to the Program Committee of the State Board. The request for a hearing must be made in writing to the Associate Vice President, Student Learning and Success within ten (10) working days from the date of receiving the CRC's final decision. The positions of both the requesting college and the CRC will be forwarded to the Program Committee.

If, after reviewing the materials for the hearing, the Program Committee agrees to hear the arguments of the CRC and the requesting college, the Program Committee will make a recommendation to the State Board. The decision of the State Board is final.

## **Archiving and Deleting Courses from the CCL**

Any course not offered for a period of three years may be removed from the CCL and archived.

- (1) Colleges may be notified each year of courses that have not been offered for two years. Any course that is not utilized by a college during the subsequent (third) year will be purged at the end of the third year.
- (2) The courses that are purged from the CCL will be given an end term date and permanently stored in the CCL database. The course prefix and number of a purged course remain intact and may not be used for any other course.
- (3) If a college wants to use a purged course, the course will be given a new effective term/date. The course will now begin a new three-year cycle.

**Attachment 1**  
**Curriculum Review Committee**  
**Effective September 2010**

<p>Ms. Robin McCree  Vice President of Instruction  Stanly Community College  141 College Drive  Albemarle, NC 28001  Phone: (910) 582-7181  FAX: (910) 582-7028  <b>Term Expires December 2013</b></p>	<p>Mr. Dewey H. Lewis  Vice President for Instruction and Information Resources  Coastal Carolina Community College  444 Western Boulevard  Jacksonville, NC 28546  Phone: (910) 938-6225  FAX: (910) 455-7027  <b>Term Expires December 2013</b></p>
<p>Dr. Angela R. Ballentine  Vice President of Instruction  Vance-Granville Community College  PO Box 917  Henderson, NC 27536-0917  Phone: (252) 738-3283  FAX: (252) 430-0460  <b>Term Expires December 2013</b></p>	<p>Ms. Althea A. Riddick  Vice President of Instruction  College of The Albemarle  Post Office Box 2327  Elizabeth City, NC 27906-2327  Phone: (252) 335-0821 Ext. 2241  FAX: (252) 335-2011  <b>Term Expires December 2011</b></p>
<p>Dr. William S. Carver, II  President  Nash Community College  Post Office Box 7488  Rocky Mount, NC 27804-0488  Phone: (252) 443-4011 EXT 229  FAX: (252) 443-0176  <b>Term Expires December 2011</b></p>	<p>Ms. Shirley Brown  Vice President for Learning  McDowell Technical Community College  54 College Drive  Marion NC 28752  Phone: (828) 652-0676  FAX: (828) 623-1014  <b>Term Expires December 2011</b></p>

**Attachment 1 (Continued)**  
**Curriculum Review Committee**  
**Effective September 2010**

<p>Dr. David Shockley  Executive Vice President  Caldwell Community College &amp; Tech. Institute  2855 Hickory Blvd.  Hudson, NC 28638-2397  Phone: (828) 726-2214  FAX: (828) 726-2216  <b>Term Expires December 2011</b></p>	<p>Mr. Wesley Beddard, Chair  Dean of Instruction  Beaufort County Community College  PO Box 1069  Washington, NC 27889-1069  Phone: (252) 940-6226  FAX: (252) 946-0271  <b>Term Expires December 2012</b></p>
<p>Dr. Jim Burnett  President  Western Piedmont Community College  1001 Burkemont Avenue  Morganton, NC 28655  Phone: (828) 438-6000  FAX: (828) 438-6015  <b>Term Expires December 2012</b></p>	<p>Dr. Don Ammons  Vice President for Academic Affairs  Gaston College  201 Highway 321 South  Dallas, NC 28034-1499  Phone: (704) 922-6239  FAX: (704) 922-6309  <b>Term Expires December 2012</b></p>
<p>Dr. Lisa M. Chapman  Vice President of Academic Affairs  Central Carolina Community College  1105 Kelly Drive  Sanford, NC 27330-1105  Phone: (919) 718-7295  FAX: (919) 718-7456  <b>Term Expires December 2013</b></p>	<p>Vacant</p>

**Attachment 2**  
**Curriculum Review Committee**  
**Submission Deadlines**

The Curriculum Review Committee will meet three times (fall, spring and summer) each calendar year. The meeting dates and submission deadlines are as follows:

<b>Items Due to System Office</b>	<b>Action by Committee</b>	<b>Implementation Dates for Revised Courses</b>
From March 16, 2011 thru July 28, 2011	October 2011	Fall Semester 2012 (2010*03)
From July 29, 2011 thru December 5, 2011	February 2012	Spring Semester 2013 (2013*01)
From December 6, 2011 thru March 15, 2012	May 2012	Summer Semester 2013 (2013*02)
From March 16, 2012 thru July 28, 2012	October 2012	Fall Semester 2013 (2013*03)
From July 29, 2012 thru December 5, 2012	February 2013	Spring Semester 2014 (2014*01)
From December 6, 2012 thru March 15, 2013	May 2013	Summer Semester 2014 (2014*02)
From March 16, 2013 thru July 28, 2013	October 2013	Fall Semester 2014 (2014*03)

*New Courses are effective beginning with the semester immediately following the CRC meeting*

**NOTE:** Requests received after due dates will be acknowledged and placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

**Attachment 3**  
**Section 15 Curriculum Review Committee Procedures**  
**FORM 15-1**  
**Request for New Combined Course Library (CCL) Course**

<b>Name of College</b> _____			
<b>Chief Academic Officer</b>			
(print or type)	Last Name	First Name	MI
<b>Chief Academic Officer</b>			
Signature			Date
<b>Contact Person</b>		<b>Phone</b>	
<b>Rationale for New Course</b>			
<b>Supporting Documentation (Complete all sections.)</b>			
Utilize the keyword search function located at <a href="http://www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/ccl.htm">http://www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/ccl.htm</a> to locate similar courses.			
List a current CCL course that is most similar to the requested course. Also list any other similar CCL course(s).		How Is New Course Significantly Different from the identified courses?	
Colleges That Have Been Consulted		Response From Consulted College	
<b>Proposed Course Information</b>			
Three-Letter Prefix:	_____	Three-Digit Number:	_____
Short Title (30 characters including spaces) _____			
Long Title (for clarification) _____			
Hours:	Classroom _____	Lab/Shop _____	Clinical _____
		Work Experience _____	Total Credit _____
Prerequisite(s): _____		Corequisite(s): _____	
Description:			
A sentence summary of the course using a maximum of 40 words ( <i>This course provides/introduces/covers/is designed to/includes...</i> )			
A sentence listing the major components of the course using a maximum of 40 words ( <i>Topics include/Emphasis is placed on...</i> )			
A sentence listing the competencies of the course using a maximum of 50 words ( <i>Upon completion, students should be able to ...</i> )			

# REQUEST FOR NEW CCL COURSE

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Identify the curriculum(s) for which this course is intended:

Check the appropriate box to indicate the area where this new course will be offered:

## General Education

Communications

Humanities/Fine Arts

Mathematics

Social/Behavioral Sciences

Natural Sciences

## Major Hours

Core

Concentration

Other Major Hours

Premajor/Elective (AA/AS/AFA only)

Restrict to Major

Restrict to Concentration

## Other

Please specify \_\_\_\_\_

Identify all the credential levels for which this course is intended:

AAS

Diploma

Certificate

AA/AS/AFA\*

*\*If approved by the Curriculum Review Committee (CRC), course will be forwarded to the Transfer Advisory Committee for consideration for transfer through the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement.*

**Instructions for Completing and Submitting  
FORM 15-1  
Request for New Combined Course Library (CCL) Course**

**General Information**

- Previous versions of this form are obsolete. All requests for new courses must be submitted in this format.
- This form is in table format, designed in Microsoft Word 2007. It may need some adjustment if used with other versions of Word.
- Use as much space as is needed in cells where information is not specifically limited. As with all tables, each cell will expand as information is entered, and the table will flow across pages.

**Instructions for Completing Form**

1. **Name of College** – Enter in cell provided.
2. **Chief Academic Officer** – Enter in cells provided using last, first, middle initial format.
3. **Chief Academic Officer Signature** – After all other information is entered, use an electronic signature or leave blank for signature on hard copy.
4. **Contact Person** – Enter the name of the person who should be contacted for questions and/or revisions. Communication regarding request will be copied to the Chief Academic Officer.
5. **Phone** – Enter phone number for Contact Person.
6. **Rationale for New Course** – Enter explicit statement of the process that led the college to decide that a new course is needed. This cell will expand to accommodate as much verbiage as needed.
7. **Supporting Documentation** – This is the research conducted by the requesting college to determine that there is no appropriate course already existing in the Combined Course Library and that the need for the new course is system-wide. The four parts of the documentation are as follows:
  - **Course(s) Similar to Requested Course** – List all courses that appear to be similar to the requested course. The requesting college should research the Combined Course Library to determine which courses already exist that may be similar to the proposed course. This can be done with keyword searches or by checking the prefixes allowed in Other Major Hours on the curriculum standard for the program in which the college plans to use the course.
  - **How Is New Course Significantly Different** – Be specific about the differences and indicate why they are significant differences.
  - **Colleges That Have Been Consulted** – The requesting college must contact a representative sampling of the colleges with programs that might have an interest in the requested course. It is expected that the course submitted will be refined through this process and will have more widespread usefulness as a result of this collaboration.

- **Response From Consulted Colleges** – The contacted colleges do not have to be in agreement for the requesting college to proceed with the request. However, an indication of the strength of the agreement must be presented, along with objections or suggestions for changes voiced by the consulted colleges.
8. **Proposed New Course Information** – Provide information for all sections. The Curriculum Review Committee may amend the information as needed to make course consistent with CCL guidelines and established CRC practices.
    - **Three-Letter Prefix** – Enter a prefix you think most appropriate for the new course.
    - **Three-Digit Number** – Enter a suggested number or enter 1xx or 2xx to indicate whether the course should be first-year or second-year level. Course numbers 100-109 and 200-209 are reserved for diploma and certificate programs. Course numbers 190-199 and 290-299 are reserved for prefixes SEL (selected topics) and SEM (seminar).
    - **Short Title** – Enter the course title as it will appear in the Combined Course Library, using a maximum of 30 characters. Abbreviations may be required in order to meet the 30 character maximum.
    - **Long Title** – Enter the course title in its entirety by spelling out any abbreviations. The long title is only utilized to provide clarification of the abbreviations
    - **Hours** – Enter the hours to the right of each category, using 0 to fill in unused blanks. Remember that lab/shop hours must be multiples of 2 or 3 depending on level of supervision, clinical hours must be multiples of 3, and work experience hours must be a multiple of 10.
    - **Prerequisites/Corequisites** – Enter the three-letter prefix and three-digit number as it appears in the Combined Course Library for any prerequisites or corequisites a student must have to expect to be successful in the course. Use "none" if not applicable.

**Description** – Enter the proposed description using the following the guidelines: The first sentence is an overview of the course. It must begin with, *“This course provides/introduces/covers/is designed to/includes...”*. The second sentence should describe the actual content/topics of the course that every college that offers the course should address. It must begin with, *“Topics include/Emphasis is placed on...”*. The third sentence should describe measurable outcomes for the course. It must begin with, *“Upon completion, students should be able to...”*. Make sure wording is clear and appropriately describes the course. The first and second sentence are limited to 40 words. The third sentence is limited to 50 words.
  9. **Curriculum(s) for which the course is intended** – Enter all that apply. The course may be appropriate for more than one curriculum. Consultation with other colleges may result in determining that there are appropriate curriculums other than the one the requesting college initially identified.
  10. **Program area boxes** – Choose appropriate general education, major hours, or other area. There should be only one box checked, unless the college is also requesting that the course be restricted to a major or concentration.
  11. **Credential levels** – Check all that apply. Requests for AA, AS, or AFA credential will be forwarded to the Transfer Advisory Committee for consideration for transfer through the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement, if the Curriculum Review Committee approves the course for inclusion in the CCL.

## **Submitting the Request**

Submit the completed request form by email to “CRC Request” address located in the GroupWise directory. If the form has an electronic signature, nothing further must be done. If electronic signature is not available to the requesting college, a hard copy with original signature must be mailed to:

Senior Vice President and Chief Academic Officer  
Academic and Student Services  
North Carolina Community College System  
5016 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-5016

**Attachment 4  
FORM 15-2  
Request for Combined Course Library (CCL) Revision**

<b>Name of College</b> _____			
<b>Chief Academic Officer</b>			
(print or type)	Last Name	First Name	MI
<b>Chief Academic Officer</b>			
Signature			Date
<b>Contact Person</b>		<b>Phone:</b>	
<b>Rationale for Course Change</b>			
<b>Supporting Documentation</b>			
Colleges That Have Been Consulted		Response From Consulted College	
<b>Current Course Information</b>			
Three-Letter Prefix:	_____	Three-Digit Number:	_____
Course Title: _____			
Hours:	Classroom _____	Lab/Shop _____	Clinical _____
		Work Experience _____	Total Credit _____
Prerequisites: _____		Corequisites: _____	
Description: _____			
Curriculum Standard(s) with course in core: _____			
<b>Proposed Course Information</b>			
Three-Letter Prefix:	_____	Three-Digit Number:	_____
Short Title (30 characters including spaces): _____			
Long Title (for clarification): _____			
Hours:	Classroom _____	Lab/Shop _____	Clinical _____
		Work Experience _____	Total Credit _____
Prerequisites: _____		Corequisites: _____	
Description: <input type="checkbox"/> No Change <input type="checkbox"/> Change Indicated Below			
A sentence summary of the course using a maximum of 40 words. ( <i>This course provides/introduces/covers/is designed to/includes...</i> )			
A sentence listing the major components of the course using a maximum of 40 words. ( <i>Topics include/Emphasis is placed on...</i> )			
A sentence listing the competencies of the course using a maximum of 50 words. ( <i>Upon completion, students should be able to ...</i> )			

**Instructions for Completing and Submitting  
FORM 15-2  
Request for Combined Course Library (CCL) Revision**

**General Information**

- Previous versions of this form are obsolete. All requests for course revisions must be submitted in this format.
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**Instructions for Completing Form**

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2. **Chief Academic Officer** – Enter in cells provided using last, first, middle initial format.
3. **Chief Academic Officer Signature** – After all other information is entered, use an electronic signature or leave blank for signature on hard copy.
4. **Contact Person** – Enter the name of the person who should be contacted for questions and/or revisions. Communication regarding request will be copied to the Chief Academic Officer.
5. **Phone** – Enter phone number for Contact Person.
6. **Rationale for Course Revision** – Enter explicit statement of the process that led the college to decide that the course needs revision. This cell will expand to accommodate as much verbiage as needed.
7. **Supporting Documentation** – This is the research conducted by the requesting college to determine that the need for the revised course is system-wide. The required items of documentation are as follows:
  - **Colleges That Have Been Consulted** – The requesting college must contact a representative sampling of the colleges with programs that utilize the course. It is expected that the course revision submitted will be refined through this process and will have more widespread usefulness as a result of this collaboration.
  - **Response From Consulted Colleges** – The contacted colleges do not have to be in agreement for the requesting college to proceed with the request. However, an indication of the strength of the agreement must be presented, along with objections or suggestions for changes voiced by the consulted colleges.
8. **Current Course Information** - Complete all sections, using the current information as it appears in the Combined Course Library.
9. **Proposed Course Information** – Provide information for all sections. The Curriculum Review Committee may amend the information as needed to make the course consistent with CCL guidelines and established CRC practices.
  - **Three-Letter Prefix** – Enter the current prefix or an alternate prefix that more

- appropriately fits the course as revised.
- **Three-Digit Number** – Enter the current three-digit number a number that more appropriately fits the course as revised. Number should be in 1xx or 2xx format to indicate whether the course should be first-year or second-year level. Course numbers 100-109 and 200-209 are reserved for diploma and certificate programs. Course numbers 190-199 and 290-299 are reserved for prefixes SEL (selected topics) and SEM (seminar).
  - **Short Title** – Enter the course title as it will appear in the Combined Course Library, using a maximum of 30 characters. Abbreviations may be required in order to meet the 30 character maximum limitation in Colleague. *Course titles appearing in IIPS will be further shortened by System Office staff to accommodate the 30 character limitation.*
  - **Long Title** – Enter the course title in its entirety by spelling out any abbreviations The long title is only utilized to provide clarification to CRC members.
  - **Hours** – Enter the hours to the right of each category, using 0 to fill in unused blanks. Remember that lab/shop hours must be multiples of 2 or 3 depending on level of supervision, clinical hours must be multiples of 3, and work experience hours must be multiples of 10.
  - **Prerequisites/Corequisites** – Enter the three-letter prefix and three-digit number as it appears in the Combined Course Library for any prerequisites or corequisites a student must have to expect to be successful in the course. Use "none" if not applicable.
  - **Description** – Enter the proposed description using the following the guidelines: The first sentence is an overview of the course. It must begin with, *“This course provides/introduces/covers/is designed to/includes...”*. The second sentence should describe the actual content/topics of the course that every college that offers the course should address. It must begin with, *“Topics include/Emphasis is placed on...”*.The third sentence should describe measurable outcomes for the course. It must begin with, *“Upon completion, students should be able to...”*. Make sure wording is clear and appropriately describes the course. The first and second sentence are limited to 40 words. The third sentence is limited to 50 words.

### Submitting the Request

Submit the completed request form by email to “CRC Request” address located in the GroupWise directory. If the form has an electronic signature, nothing further must be done. If electronic signature is not available to the requesting college, a hard copy with original signature must be mailed to:

Senior Vice President and Chief Academic Officer  
 Academic and Student Services  
 North Carolina Community College System  
 5016 Mail Service Center  
 Raleigh, NC 27699-5016

### Attachment 5 FORM 15-3

## Request for Combined Course Library (CCL) Course Reclassification

<b>Name of College</b>			
<b>Chief Academic Officer</b>			
(print or type)	Last Name	First Name	MI
<b>Chief Academic Officer</b>			
	Signature		Date
<b>Contact Person</b>		<b>Phone</b>	
<b>Rationale for Course Reclassification</b>			
<b>Supporting Documentation: Complete the following sections.</b>			
Colleges That Have Been Consulted		Response From Consulted College	
<b>Current Course Information</b>			
Three-Letter Prefix: _____		Three-Digit Number: _____	
Course Title: _____			
<b>Requested Action</b>			
1. Identify the curriculum(s) for which this course is intended:			
2. Mark the appropriate box(es) to indicate the requested classification(s), using "A" to add or "R" to remove:			
General Education			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Communications	<input type="checkbox"/>	Humanities/Fine Arts
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Behavioral Sciences
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mathematics	<input type="checkbox"/>	Natural Science
<b>Major Hours</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Restrict to curriculum/major	<input type="checkbox"/>	Restrict to concentration
3. Identify all the credential levels for which this course is appropriate:			
<input type="checkbox"/>	AAS	<input type="checkbox"/>	Diploma
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Certificate

**Please note: Reclassifications for AA/AS and AFA are processed through the Transfer Advisory Committee. Please send a letter of request to the Senior Vice President/Chief Academic Officer to initiate this process.**

### Instructions for Completing and Submitting FORM 15-3

## Request for Combined Course Library (CCL) Course Reclassification

### General Information

- All requests for course reclassifications must be submitted in this format.
- This form is in table format, designed in Microsoft Word 2007. It may need some adjustment if used with other versions of Word.
- Use as much space as is needed in cells where information is not specifically limited. As with all tables, each cell will expand as information is entered, and the table will flow across pages.

### Instructions for Completing Form

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2. **Chief Academic Officer** – Enter in cells provided using last, first, middle initial format.
3. **Chief Academic Officer Signature** – After all other information is entered, use an electronic signature or leave blank for signature on hard copy.
4. **Contact Person** – Enter the name of the person who should be contacted for questions and/or revisions. Communication regarding request will be copied to the Chief Academic Officer.
5. **Phone** – Enter phone number for Contact Person.
6. **Rationale for Reclassification** – Enter explicit statement of the process that led the college to decide that the course needs reclassification. This cell will expand to accommodate as much verbiage as needed.
7. **Supporting Documentation** – This is the research conducted by the requesting college to determine that there is a need to change the classification of the course and that the need for the reclassification of this course is system-wide. The documentation is as follows:
  - **Colleges That Have Been Consulted** – The requesting college must contact a representative sampling of the colleges with programs that might have an interest in the requested reclassification. It is expected that the reclassification request will be refined through this process and will have more widespread usefulness as a result of this collaboration.
  - **Response From Consulted Colleges** – The contacted colleges do not have to be in agreement for the requesting college to proceed with the request. However, an indication of the strength of the agreement must be presented, along with objections or suggestions for changes voiced by the consulted colleges.
8. **Current Course Information** – Enter Course Prefix, Course Number and Course Title exactly as in the Combined Course Library.

## 9. Requested Action

- **Curriculum(s) for which the course is intended** – Enter all that apply. The course may be appropriate for more than one curriculum. Consultation with other colleges may result in determining that there are appropriate curriculums other than the one the requesting college initially identified.
- **Action Requested** - Mark the appropriate box(es) to indicate the requested action, entering "A" for addition or "R" for removal of the classification.
- **Credential Levels** – Check all that apply. Please note that reclassification requests for AA, AS, or AFA courses should be submitted via a letter of request sent to the Senior Vice President/Chief Academic Officer (see address below). These requests will be forwarded to the Transfer Advisory Committee and Independent Transfer Advisory Committee for consideration.

### Submitting the Request

Submit the completed request form by email to the “CRC Request” located in the GroupWise directory. If the form has an electronic signature, nothing further must be done. If electronic signature is not available to the requesting college, a hard copy with original signature must be mailed to:

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Academic and Student Services  
North Carolina Community College System  
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