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TO: Presidents
Chief Academic Officers

FROM: Dr. Jeff A. Cox, NCCCS President

SUBJECT: Curriculum Standard Revision Approvals

DATE: May 16, 2025

Per 1D SBCCC 400.9 (b) A revision of an existing curriculum standard shall:

- (1) Have written concurrence by two-thirds of colleges approved to offer the curriculum program; and
- (2) Be in alignment with criteria outlined in 1D SBCCC 400.10(e).
- (3) The President of the North Carolina Community College System shall have the authority to approve or deny the revision of an existing curriculum standard.

I am pleased to approve the requested revision for the following curriculum standards which is in compliance with 1D SBCCC 400.9 (b)

Funeral Service Education (A55260)

Effective Term: Fall 2025

Marine Propulsion Systems (D60220)

Effective Term: Fall 2025

An outline of the specific curriculum standard revisions is attached for your convenience. You may view all curriculum standards by visiting the Academic Programs website at:

<https://www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/academic-programs/curriculum-standards>

If you have any questions concerning the curriculum standard revision, please contact Dr. Lisa Eads at eadsl@nccommunitycolleges.edu.

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Outline of Curriculum Standard Revisions

Information: The State Board, through delegated authority to the System President, has approved the following curriculum standard revision listed below:

Curriculum Programs: Funeral Service Education (A55260)

Effective Term: Fall 2025

Proposed Revisions: The North Carolina Community College System Office requests the following revisions to the Funeral Service Education (A55260) Curriculum Standard:

- Add FSE-220 Funeral Home Service Directing Practicum to the core curriculum.
- Include an asterisk to designate the course for a diploma option.

Rationale of the Requesting College:

The college requests to add a new course, FSE 220 Funeral Home Service Directing Practicum, to the technical core requirements for the Funeral Services Education (A55260) degree and to make the course a requirement for the diploma options. Graduates of the program are prepared for careers in the funeral service industry. This revision comes as recommendation from the North Carolina Board of Funeral Services. The requesting college is the only college in the NCCCS that offers this curriculum.

Curriculum Program: Marine Propulsion Systems (Diploma) (D60220)

Effective Term: Fall 2025

Proposed Revisions: The North Carolina Community College System Office requests the following revisions to the Marine Propulsion Systems (Diploma) (D60220) Curriculum Standard:

- Add MPS 110 Outboard Service and Maintenance to the technical core.
- Remove MPS 102 Outboard Powerhead Systems from the technical core.

Rationale of Requesting College: The service and maintenance of outboard engines are crucial in today's marine industry. The requesting college has proposed replacing MPS 102 Outboard Powerhead Systems with MPS 110 Outboard Service and Maintenance to better equip students with the essential skills sought by employers, ensuring they are well-prepared for the workforce. MPS 102 Outboard Powerhead Systems no longer aligns with industry needs, as rebuilding a motor has become obsolete. Engine manufacturers no longer support powerhead rebuilds, and their warranties explicitly prohibit this type of repair. The requesting college is the only college in the NCCCS that offers this curriculum.