

OHIO BOARD OF REGENTS

Agenda Item 3.10 Owens Community College, Associate of Applied Science  
Degree in Caterpillar Dealer Service Technician

**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED: Upon the recommendation of the Chancellor and with the concurrence of the Initiatives Committee of the Ohio Board of Regents that the following new degree program is approved.

Owens Community College  
Associate of Applied Science Degree in Caterpillar Dealer Service Technician

## **BACKGROUND**

### **OWENS COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Associate of Applied Science Degree in Caterpillar Dealer Service Technician

For the past five years, Owens Community College has been a Corporate Regional Training Center for the Caterpillar Corporation. Owens Community College was asked by Caterpillar Corporation to become part of a world-wide network of colleges training individuals as service technicians to meet the equipment needs of Caterpillar customers. Through Caterpillar's "Think Big" service technician program individuals are able to earn associate degrees while preparing for service technician employment opportunities that are driven by Caterpillar's current and projected growth.

An internship program developed and supported by local service dealers ensures that students are learning the skills needed, receiving crucial on-the-job training and have the guidance of a mentor, all assuring success of the student.

Students enrolled in this program will receive the education and training needed for entry-level positions as service technicians for Caterpillar dealerships in Ohio, the surrounding states and throughout the world.

Owens Community College will be one of eight North American colleges offering this program for fall 2001, as well as a vital partner in the Caterpillar supported college network.

