

OHIO BOARD OF REGENTS

Agenda Item 3.3 Columbus State Community College, Associate of Applied Science degree in Applied Technology

**RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED: upon 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.

Columbus State Community College  
Associate of Applied Science Degree in Applied Technology

## **BACKGROUND**

### **COLUMBUS STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Associate of Applied Science Degree in Applied Technology

The Associate of Applied Science Degree in Applied Technology has been developed in response to requests from numerous skilled trade organizations to provide a college level program to meet the immediate and future needs of skilled trade workers. Increased use of technology in the skilled trades has created a need to raise the level of apprenticeship training to a college-level and increase the number of persons engaged in continuous learning.

Local trade representatives identified the need to provide upward career pathways for their workers into supervisory and management positions. They feel that addressing these needs is vital to employee recruitment and retention.

The program will provide a broad-based core of coursework including personal computing applications, the application of federal, state and local safety guidelines, equipment maintenance, building code application, and hazardous materials safety and disposal. An Electrician Major and Operating Engineer Major will be offered. The curriculum will also provide learners with basic academic skills to support them to become successful employees and lifelong learners.

The program has been endorsed by numerous organization including the Ohio Contractors Association, Columbus/Central Ohio Building and Construction Trades Council, the Columbus Joint Apprenticeship Training Council for the Electrical Industry, and the Central Ohio Building and Construction Trades Council.