

OHIO BOARD OF REGENTS

Agenda Item 3.2 Owens Community College, Associate of Applied Science degree in Wide Area Networking 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:

Owens Community College
Associate of Applied Science in Wide Area Networking Technology

BACKGROUND

OWENS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Associate of Applied Science Degree in Wide Area Networking Technology

The Wide Area Networking Technology program is being developed to meet the growing need for trained employees with computer design, installation, maintenance and networking skills which are critical to the success of Information Technology companies. The program was developed with input from a Wide Area Technology advisory committee, faculty, and the college's administration. A survey conducted of employers in the greater Toledo and Findlay areas indicated a fast growing need for employees with these specialized skills.

Students enrolled in the program will acquire competencies related to wide area networking technology, hardware and software competencies, critical thinking ability, math and science skill competencies needed for the electronics networking field. Through articulation agreements with area high schools, high school students will be able to enroll in Wide Area Networking Technology courses after completing prescribed courses at the high school.

Graduates of the program will find career opportunities in the Information Technology field as Network Specialists and Technicians, Network Managers, Systems Analysts, Wide Area Network Managers among others. .