



**NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM**  
*H. Martin Lancaster, President*

March 9, 2000

**RESPONSE DEADLINE: March 16, 2000**

**Memorandum**

**To:** Selected Presidents

**From:** Sharon Thompson, Program Coordinator, Criminal Justice

**Subject:** Revision of Curriculum Standard: Certificate BLET

Dr. Stephen Scott, Executive Vice-President, NC Community College System, has instructed me to bring to the attention of the Presidents at those community colleges having State Board approval to offer Basic Law Enforcement Training, C55120, the last paragraph of the proposed new curriculum standard. The last paragraph reads as follows:

(current proposed)

**Students must successfully complete all units of study and pass the certification examination mandated by the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission and the North Carolina Sheriffs' Education and Training Standards Commission to receive a certificate.**

This was an attempt to provide assurance that completers of BLET were indeed qualified for transferring BLET course work into the Criminal Justice curriculum. A standard method for obtaining this assurance would be to establish (at the local level) a mechanism for determining entry into the Criminal Justice program; for example, if the student has graduated from BLET and has passed the certification exam, then he will receive credit for certain crosswalked competencies in the Criminal Justice program.

A rewrite of this paragraph would read as follows:

(new proposed)

**Graduates receive a curriculum certificate and may be eligible to take the certification examination mandated by the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission and the North Carolina Sheriffs' Education and Training Standards Commission.**

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After reviewing the two recommendations, we ask that you vote for the current proposal or the new proposal. The votes will then be discussed with the Criminal Justice Taskforce prior to the request going to the Curriculum Review Committee and the State Board for action.

Please respond to me via email, [thompsons@ncccs.cc.nc.us](mailto:thompsons@ncccs.cc.nc.us) by March 16, 2000. You may also call me if you have questions at 919-733-7051, extension 428.

Thank you.

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