



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

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Criminal Justice Program Director

FROM: Sharon Thompson, Program Coordinator

REF: Supervisory Certificate Program Initiative

A Criminal Justice Supervisory Certificate program has been developed collaboratively with NCSU staff. This program offers three baccalaureate courses from NCSU: Legal Issues, Skills and Practices for Line Supervisors, Leadership and the First Line Supervisor. These courses have been designed to be offered via NCIH and the Internet. The program requires two of the three following courses from a community college: Introduction to Criminal Justice and either Law Enforcement Operations or Corrections. Students who successfully complete all five courses would receive a certificate from NCSU and the college where the two community college courses were completed.

The certificate program was initially developed at the request of the NC State Highway Patrol (NCSHP), however, it has been broadened to include anyone who wishes to enroll. Information packets (see enclosure 1) have been sent to all police chiefs, sheriffs, and the NC Department of Correction. An Information Sheet (enclosure 2) has been developed and disseminated to all troopers across the state in response a memorandum sent to them dated February 28, 2000, by staff at the NCSHP.

As we move forward with this initiative, you may have an influx of potential students requesting review of their education and training folders for credit in the criminal justice program. Please handle this according to your community college's policy. Our intent was to provide an educational opportunity for criminal justice personnel. As always, if I can be of assistance or you need clarification, please call me at 919/733-7051, extension 428 or email at [thompsons@ncccs.cc.nc.us](mailto:thompsons@ncccs.cc.nc.us).

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