



CURRICULUM PROCEDURES REFERENCE MANUAL

SECTION 21

Tiered Funding Classifications Curriculum Course Prefixes

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BACKGROUND:

On July 15, 2011 the State Board of Community Colleges adopted the 2011-2012 State Aid Allocations and Budget Policies, which included implementation of the Tiered Funding Formula Model. To implement the Tiered Funding Formula Model, all existing curriculum and continuing education course prefixes were assigned to one of three funding levels: Tier 1 included selected high-cost curriculum courses, Tier 2 included all other curriculum courses and selected continuing education courses that are mapped to a third-party credential or certification, and Tier 3 included all other continuing education occupational extension courses. On January 20, 2012, the State Board adopted the following guidelines which were used for the assignment of new-to-the-system curriculum prefixes to the NCCCS Tiered Funding Formula.

Tier I Included:

- Curriculum Health Science Prefixes
- Curriculum Technical Education Prefixes in the areas of Construction, Engineering, Industrial Systems, and Transportation Systems
- Curriculum Lab-Based Science Prefixes
- Other Curriculum Prefixes Based on the Following Considerations:
Facility requirements; equipment start-up costs; equipment ongoing costs; supply and software start-up costs; supply and software ongoing costs; enrollment limitations resulting from student/faculty ratios or program enrollment caps; instructor costs resulting from SACSCOC requirements, required licensure or certification, or market demand.

Tier II Included: All Other Curriculum Prefixes

CURRENT TIER CLASSIFICATION:

On August 15, 2014, the State Board of Community Colleges adopted the 2014-2015 State Aid Allocations and Budget Policies, which included the implementation of a four-tiered funding model. To implement the Tiered Funding Forming Model, all existing curriculum and continuing education course prefixes were assigned to one of four funding levels as defined below:

Tier 1A: Includes curriculum budget FTE in health care and technical education courses that train North Carolinians for immediate employment in priority occupations that have documented skills gaps and pay higher wages. This tier also includes FTE in a limited number of continuing education (OE) courses that train students for the exact same third-party certification as curriculum courses in Tier 1A.

Tier 1B: Includes curriculum budget FTE in other high cost areas of health care, technical education, lab-based science, and college-level math courses. With the implementation of Closing the Skills Gap, Tier 1B also includes FTE in short-term, workforce continuing education courses that help prepare students for jobs in priority occupations and lead to competency-based industry credentials.

Tier 2: Includes

- a) all other curriculum budget FTE,
- b) all Basic Skills budget FTE, and
- c) budget FTE associated with other continuing education (OE) courses that are scheduled for 96 hours or more and are mapped to a third-party credential, certification, or industry-designed curriculum.

Tier 3: Includes all other continuing education (OE) budget FTE. This weighted allocation model is designed to provide a funding differential between each tier.

Tier 1A is funded at a level equal to 30% higher than Tier 2, while Tier 1B is funded at a level that is 15% higher than Tier 2. Tier 3 is funded at a rate that is 15% less than Tier 2.

**NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM
CURRICULUM COURSE PREFIXES BY FUNDING TIERS**

Tier 1A		Tier 1A	
Prefix	Subject Area	Prefix	Subject Area
AER	Aerospace & Flight Training	LDD	Light Duty Diesel
AET	Aviation Electronics Technology	LEO	Lasers and Optics
AHR	Air Cond/Heating/Refrig	MAC	Machining
ALT	Alternative Energy	MAM	Mammography
ARC	Architecture	MCM	Motorcycle Mechanics
ARS	Automotive Restoration	MCO	Mission Critical Operations
ASM	Aerostructure	MEC	Mechanical
ATC	Anesthesia Technology	MNT	Maintenance
ATR	Automation and Robotics	MPS	Marine Propulsion Systems
ATT	Alternative Transportation Technology	MRI	Magnetic Resonance Imaging
AUB	Automotive Body Repair	MRN	Marine
AUC	Automotive Customizing Tech	MSC	Marine Science
AUT	Automotive	MSK	Musculoskeletal Sonography
AVI	Aviation Maintenance	MSP	Medical Product Safety and Pharmacovigilance
BAT	Building Automation Technology	NAN	Nanotechnology
BMS	Boat Manufacture & Service	NCT	Non-Invasive Cardiovascular Te
BMT	Biomedical Equipment	NDE	Nondestru Exam Tech
BPM	Bioprocess Manufacturing	NMT	Nuclear Medicine
BPR	Blueprint Reading	NUC	Nuclear Maintenance
BST	Breast Sonography	NUR	Nursing
BTB	Boat Building	OTA	Occupational Therapy Assistant
BTC	Biotechnology	OTC	Orthopaedic
CAR	Carpentry	PCI	Process Control Instrum
CAT	Computed Tomography	PET	Positron Emission Tomography
CEG	Civil Engineering and Geomatic	PFT	Pipe Fitting
CET	Comp Engineer Tech	PLA	Plastics
CIT	Cardiovascular/Vascular Interv	PLU	Plumbing
CIV	Civil Engineer Tech	PME	Power Mechanics
CMT	Construction Mgt.	PTA	Physical Therapist Assistant
CST	Construction	PTC	Pharmaceutical Tech
CTR	Clinical Trials Research	RAD	Radiography
CVS	Cardiovascular Sonography	RCP	Respiratory Care
DDF	Design Drafting	RCT	Race Car Technology
DEN	Dental	REF	Refrigeration
DFT	Drafting	RTT	Radiation Therapy Technology
DLT	Dental Laboratory Technology	RVM	Recreational Vehicle Maint
DOS	Medical Dosimetry	SFA	Surgical First Assistant
EGR	Engineering	SON	Medical Sonography
ELC	Electricity	SRV	Surveying
ELN	Electronics	SST	Sustainability
ELT	Electric Lineman	STP	Central Sterile Processing
EPP	Electrical Power Prod	SUR	Surgical Technology
EUS	Electric Utility Substation	TCT	Telecommunication Tech
FMW	Facility Maintenance	TDP	Three-Dimensional Printing
HEO	Heavy Equip Oper	TEL	Telecom Install & Maint
HET	Heavy Equipment Maintenance	TNE	Telecom & Ntwk Engin Te
HYD	Hydraulics & Pneumatics	TRN	Transportation Technology
ICT	Invasive Cardiovascular Tech	TRP	Truck Driver Training
ICV	Interventional Cardiac & Vascu	UAS	Unmanned Aircraft Systems
IMG	Imaging	WAT	Water & Wastewater Trt
		WLD	Welding

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ISC Industrial Science

Tier 1B		Tier 1B	
Prefix	Subject Area	Prefix	Subject Area
AMC	Advanced Medical Coding	LBT	Laboratory Technology
ANS	Animal Science	LID	Low Impact Development
BDF	Brewing, Distillation and Fermentation	MAS	Masonry
BIO	Biology	MAT	Mathematics (100+)
BPA	Baking and Pastry Arts	MED	Medical Assisting
CAB	Cabinetmaking	MLT	Medical Laboratory Technology
CHM	Chemistry	MSM	Motorsports Mgt
CIM	Cancer Information Management	MTH	Massage Therapy
CPT	Chemical Process Technology	NAS	Nursing Assistant
CSC	Computer Science	NET	Networking Technology
CTC	Chemical Technology	NOS	Network Operating Systems
CTI	Computer Technology Integration	OPH	Opticianry
CTS	Computer Information Technology	OSA	Ophthalmic Surgical Assistant
CUL	Culinary	PBT	Phlebotomy
CYT	Cytotechnology	PHM	Pharmacy
DEA	Digital Effects & Animation	PHY	Physics
DET	Dietetic Technician	PPM	Poultry Proc Mach Tech
DIA	Dialysis Technology	PPT	Pulp & Paper Tech
DME	Digital Media	PSG	Polysomnography
EDT	Electroneurodiagnostic Tech	REH	Rehabilitation Assistant
EMS	Emergency Medical Science	SEC	Information Systems Security
ENV	Environmental Science	SGD	Simulation & Game Development
FUR	Furniture	SGR	Scientific Graphics
GIS	Geographic Info Syst	SIM	Healthcare Simulation Tech
GSM	Gunsmithing	SLP	Speech-Language Pathology Asst
HBI	Healthcare Business Informatics	UPH	Upholstery
HIT	Health Information Technology	VEN	Viticulture/Enology
HPC	High Performance Computing	VET	Veterinary Medical Technology
HPT	Historical Preservation	WPP	Wood Products
HTO	Histotechnology		

Tier 2		Tier 2	
Prefix	Subject Area	Prefix	Subject Area
AAI	Animal Assisted Interactions	INS	Insurance
ACA	Academic Related	INT	International Business
ACC	Accounting	IPP	Interpreter Preparation Program
ACM	Animal Care and Management	IRI	Irish
AGR	Agriculture	ITA	Italian
AIB	American Institute of Banking	ITL	Intelligence Studies
ANT	Anthropology	ITN	Internet Technologies
APS	Automotive Parts Sales	IVS	Invasive Species Management
AQU	Aquaculture	JOU	Journalism
ARA	Arabic	JPN	Japanese
ART	Art	LAR	Landscape Architecture
ASL	American Sign Language	LAT	Latin
AST	Astronomy	LDR	Leadership Studies
AUM	Automotive Management	LEX	Legal Education
BAF	Banking and Finance	LIB	Library Resources
BAR	Barbering	LOG	Logistics Management
BAS	Business Analytics	LSG	Landscape Gardening
BPT	Broadcast Production	MAT	Mathematics (below 100)

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BUS Business		MEG Metal Engraving	
Tier 2		Tier 2	
Prefix	Subject Area	Prefix	Subject Area
CCT	Cyber Crime Technology	MHA	Mental Health
CHI	Chinese	MIT	Media Integration
CIS	Information Systems	MKT	Marketing and Retailing
CJC	Criminal Justice	MLG	Metallurgical Science
COE	Cooperative Education	MSI	Military Science
COM	Communication	MUS	Music
COS	Cosmetology	NPO	Nonprofit Leadership and Mgt
CRT	Court Reporting	NUT	Nutrition
CSV	Customer Service	ODL	Outdoor Leadership
DAN	Dance	OMT	Operations Management
DBA	Database Management Technology	OSS	Operating Systems
DDT	Developmental Disabilities	OST	Office Systems Technology
DES	Design: Creative	PAD	Public Administration
DMA	Developmental Math	PCC	Professional Crafts: Clay
DMS	Developmental Math Shells	PCD	Professional Crafts: Design
DRA	Drama/Theatre	PCF	Professional Crafts: Fiber
DRE	Developmental Reading/English	PCJ	Professional Crafts: Jewelry
ECM	Electronic Commerce	PCR	Professional Crafts
ECO	Economics	PCS	Professional Crafts: Sculpture
EDU	Education	PCW	Professional Crafts: Wood
EFL	English As A Foreign Language	PED	Physical Education
EHS	Environmental Health and Safety	PFN	Photofinishing
ENG	English	PHI	Philosophy
ENT	Entertainment Technologies	PHO	Photography
EPD	Environmental Plan & Dev	PHS	Physical Science
EPT	Emergency Preparedness Technology	PKG	Packaging
EQU	Equine	PMT	Project Management Technology
ETR	Entrepreneurship	POL	Political Science
FBG	Fiberglass and Moldmaking	POR	Portuguese
FIP	Fire Protection	POS	Postal Service
FLO	Floral Design	PRN	Printing
FOR	Forest Management	PSF	Physical Fitness Technology
FPR	Food Processing	PST	Public Safety Training
FRE	French	PSY	Psychology
FSD	Fire Sprinkler Design	PTE	Pathways to Employment
FSE	Funeral Service	REA	Real Estate Appraisal
FST	Food Service Technology	REC	Recreation
FVP	Film and Video Production	RED	Reading
FWL	Fish and Wildlife	REL	Religion
GAM	Gaming Management	RLS	Real Estate
GCM	Golf Course Management	RSM	Resort and Spa Management
GEL	Geology	RUS	Russian
GEO	Geography	SAB	Substance Abuse
GER	German	SCI	Science
GRA	Graphic Arts	SOC	Sociology
GRD	Graphic Design	SPA	Spanish
GRO	Gerontology	SPI	Spanish Interpreter
HCI	Healthcare Interpreting	SSM	Shooting and Hunting Sports Management
HCT	Health Care Technology	SWK	Social Work
HEA	Health	TAT	Travel and Tourism

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Tier 2		Tier 2	
Prefix	Subject Area	Prefix	Subject Area
HFS	Health and Fitness Science	TEX	Textiles
HIS	History	TOM	Trucking Operations Management
HMT	Healthcare Management	TRE	Therapeutic Recreation
HOR	Horticulture	TRF	Turfgrass Management
HRM	Hotel and Restaurant Management	TRL	Trails
HSC	Health Sciences	TXY	Taxidermy
HSE	Human Services	VWR	Voice Writing Realtime Reporting
HUC	Health Unit Coordinator	WBL	Work-Based Learning
HUM	Humanities	WEB	Web Technologies
IEC	Import Export Compliance	WOL	Wheels of Learning
ILT	Industrial Laboratory Technology	WWK	Woodworking
IMS	Integrated Math/Science	ZAS	Zoo and Aquarium Science Technology