



NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

George Fouts

Interim President

May 6, 2016

PROPOSAL DEADLINE: June 6, 2016

MEMORANDUM

TO: Presidents

Chief Academic Officers

FROM:

Lisa M. Chapman, Ed.D.

Senior Vice President for Programs and Student Services

Chief Academic Officer

SUBJECT:

Accounting and Finance Alignment Project Grant for 2016-2017

Proposals are being solicited for an Accounting and Finance Alignment Project (AFAP) Grant for 2016-2017. Funding for this project is available through the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006, and is **contingent upon the receipt of funds from the U.S. Department of Education**. The Request for Proposal (RFP) is attached, with a submission deadline of June 6, 2016. A maximum of \$125,000 will be awarded for one eleven-month project, to run from August 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

The AFAP will focus on the following programs:

- Accounting (A25100)
- Financial Services (A25330)

Goals of the AFAP include the following for identified courses/programs:

(1) incorporating employer input into the development and redesign of programs to ensure that graduates will meet workforce needs and expectations; (2) incorporating industry certifications and stackable credentials; (3) developing new courses; (4) eliminating duplicative courses; (5) combining and revising courses as appropriate; (6) providing statewide professional development opportunities and training for faculty; (7) aligning with secondary CTE pathways to develop high school to community college recommended career pathways; and (8) disseminating information on best practices that improve CTE programs, services, and activities.

Requests should be reasonable and appropriate for activities that must conclude by June 30, 2017. Funds may be used for faculty release time (substitute pay), travel and subsistence, materials and supplies necessary for project implementation, and contracted services. Colleges interested in taking the lead on this initiative are encouraged to apply.

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A link to the RFP has also been posted on the [NCCCS Requests for Proposal \(RFPs\)](http://www.ncccommunitycolleges.edu/requests-proposal-rfps) at (<http://www.ncccommunitycolleges.edu/requests-proposal-rfps>) website.

If you have questions about the RFP or the AFAP, please contact Dr. Hilmi Lahoud, Program Coordinator for Business Technologies, at 919-807-7116 or lahoudh@ncccommunitycolleges.edu.

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Attachment

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