



NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

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FROM: Tawanda F. Artis
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SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment of 1D SBCCC 800.4 - State or Industry Recognized Credentials

DATE: August 25, 2021

The State Board of Community Colleges has initiated the rulemaking process to amend **1D SBCCC 800.4 - State or Industry Recognized Credentials**. The rule currently addresses the Curriculum Course Review Committee’s (CCRC) authority to approve credit for prior learning standards for State or Industry Recognized Credentials. The proposed amendment would allow the CCRC to approve credit for prior learning standards for continuing education courses, certifications, and licensures.

The proposed amendment is published on the NC Community College System's website, www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/sbcccocode. For your convenience, a copy of the proposed rule, with the changes indicated, are attached to this memorandum. Strikethroughs indicate deletions of existing language and underlines indicate additions of language.

Any member of the public has the right to submit written comments on the proposed rule. Please note that any person who submits public comments on behalf of their community college should comply with their college’s local process for submitting comments on a proposed rule. Written comments on the rule must be received by no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 23, 2021. Any member of the public has the right to request a hearing on the proposed rule. Requests for a hearing must be received by no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 8, 2021.

Written comments and requests for hearing shall be directed to the following address:
Tawanda F. Artis, 5001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-5001 or by email to
publiccomments@nccommunitycolleges.edu. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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State Board of Community Colleges

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Form

Date: August 25, 2021

Title, Chapter, Subchapter, and Rule Number of Rule Proposed to be Adopted, Amended, or Repealed	Amend 1D SBCCC 800.4 – State or Industry Recognized Credentials/Continuing Education to Curriculum Credit
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Specify whether the SBCC proposes to adopt amend, or repeal a rule:

**Adopt
(new rule)**

**Amend
(change existing
rule)**

**Repeal
(delete entire
rule)**

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Rationale for proposed adoption, amendment or repeal:	Adding language for continuing education to curriculum credit which was not addressed previously.
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Proposed Effective Date of Rule	November 1, 2021
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1 **State Board of Community Colleges Code**
2 **TITLE 1. COMMUNITY COLLEGES**

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4 **CHAPTER D. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS**

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6 **SUBCHAPTER 800. CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING**

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8 **1G SBCCC 800.4 State or Industry Recognized Credentials/Continuing Education**
9 **to Curriculum Credit**

- 10 (a) The CCRC, based on recommendations from the CELC, shall have the authority
11 to approve CPL standards for state or industry recognized credentials and
12 continuing education courses, certifications, and licensures that document similar
13 college-level learning as corresponding curriculum courses and, therefore,
14 are eligible for articulated curriculum credit. Prior to approving ~~CPL~~, CPL of
15 industry recognized credentials or continuing education courses, the CCRC shall
16 have written concurrence by two -thirds of colleges.
- 17 (b) At a minimum, colleges shall award CPL for successful completion of state or
18 industry recognized credentials and continuing education courses, certifications,
19 and licensures consistent with the CPL standards approved by the CCRC. A
20 college may award CPL for state or industry recognized credentials and
21 continuing education courses, certifications, and licensures for which statewide
22 articulations have not been established by CCRC consistent with its local CPL
23 policy.
- 24 (c) It is possible that CPL from these sources may not be transferable to UNC System
25 constituent institutions. Furthermore, UNC System constituent institutions may
26 request documentation to determine potential course credit. Therefore, students
27 should consult a UNC System transfer advisor before using this CPL source to
28 attain credit at the NCCCS institution.

29 *History Note: Authority G.S. 115D-5;*

30 *Eff. [April 1, 2021](#).*

31 *Eff. _____.*