

STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES

NEW CURRICULUM PREFIX -  
TIERED FUNDING FORMULA RECOMMENDATIONS

The State Board of Community Colleges is asked to assign the following new curriculum prefix to the NCCCS Tiered Funding Formula.

**Tier I**

TDP – Three Dimensional Printing

Rationale: Three Dimensional Printing courses require sophisticated equipment.

*The TDP prefix was approved by the Curriculum Review Committee for three new courses on February 27, 2014.*

**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 for Assignment of New-to-System *Curriculum* Prefixes to the NCCCS Tiered Funding Formula.

**Tier I:**

- 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 SACS requirements, required licensure or certification, or market demand.

**Tier II:** All Other Curriculum Prefixes

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