

# CAREER EDUCATION PROGRAM – Two-Year Review

Date: 2/23/2009

College: Citrus College

Program: Information Technology

## 1. Purpose of this Program

Significantly Changed Purpose  
In the Last Two Years

Minor Changes in Purpose  
in the Last Two Years

No Changes in Purpose  
in the Last Two Years



The information Technology (IT) program is vendor neutral and prepares students to work with products designed by hardware and software producers throughout the industry. The focus is on students attaining a broad based knowledge and competency in core hardware, and operating systems technologies, including installation, configuration, diagnosing, preventative maintenance and basic networking. Individual industry certifications are available to students throughout the program sequence including: A+, Network+, Server+, and Security+.

## 2. Demand for this Program

High Demand

Adequate Demand  
for our students

Low Demand



The demand for completers from this program is strong. Labor market data lists growth of different IT sector jobs between 20-35% through 2016.

The federal stimulus bill's emphasis on infrastructure will only add to the need for more IT technicians.

Additionally, the curriculum in IT has a potential to become a component of other CTE programs and certificates on campus; namely the new Energy Systems Technology program and Emerging Theatre Technology.

## 3. Quality of this Program

Highest Quality

Meets Student Needs

Needs Significant  
Improvement

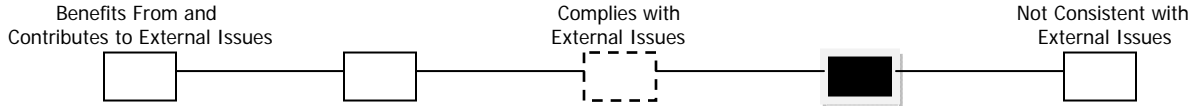


The IT program is very difficult to find amongst our CTE programs because the curriculum and certificate are listed and categorized under engineering. Additionally, this creates a problem with core indicator reports and data for the program. The TOP code for this program is 0708. However because students are categorized into a different cohort no core indicator data is available for this program.

The IT program has not had an advisory meeting in the last 5 years. A counsel is being formed and the meeting is set to take place at the end of March.

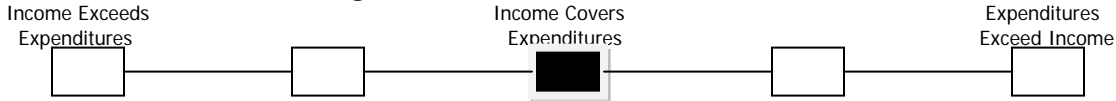
Pending the advice of the Advisory Counsel, the IT program needs to review and rewrite, as appropriate, all curriculum to include SLOs. Additionally, the IT certificate needs to be rewritten to remove courses that are no longer offered, include new coursework and develop program SLOs.

**4. External Issues**



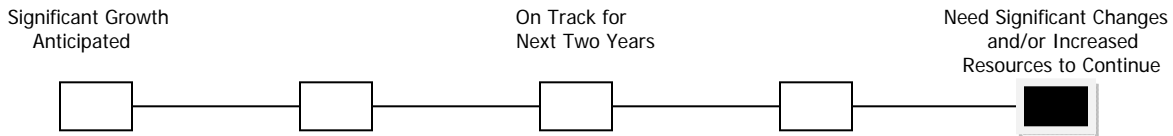
The IT program has never applied for or received Perkins dollars. To become compliant with CCCCO regulations the program needs to maintain an active advisory counsel and hold a minimum of one meeting each year.

**5. Cost of this Program**



The courses in the IT program are consistently filled every semester. Budget is shared with the actual engineering courses. No individual IT program data exists.

**6. Two-Year Plan**



1. Move IT into its own discipline—name to be decided by Advisory Counsel
2. Obtain own budget for IT
3. Rewrite curriculum to include SLOs and assessment
4. Rewrite certificate to include new coursework and delete courses no longer offered
5. Apply for Perkins dollars to purchase new equipment
6. Explore additional certificates and/or collaboration with other programs on campus.

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To Board of Trustees on \_\_\_\_\_  
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7/1/2009