

March 19, 2014

Dr. Belle Wheelan
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Colleges
1866 Southern Lane
Decatur, GA 30033

Dear Dr. Wheelan:

I am writing to notify the Commission that Lanier Technical College plans to begin offering a new technical certificate of credit program, Advanced Fire Administration, at our Oakwood Campus in August of 2014.

Lanier Technical College currently offers a number of awards in the Fire Science field, including:

- Fire Science Technology Degree
- Fire Science Technology Diploma
- Firefighter/EMSP Diploma
- Basic Fire Company Officer Certificate
- Fire Fighter I Certificate
- Fire Fighter II Certificate
- Fire Officer I Certificate
- Fire Officer II Certificate

Two courses in the proposed program are new to Lanier Tech, FRSC 2230 Fire Officer – Administrator (3 hours) and FRSC 2240 Fire Officer – Executive (3 hours). These six hours of coursework represent 10% new content when compared to the offerings in our Fire Science Degree program. No new instructors or facilities will be required. Institutional membership in the National Fire Protection Association, which will provide access to the Association's database of published standards, is the only additional learning resource needed for the program. Funds for this membership will be provided.

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Because of the number of closely related programs and minimal additional resources required, we believe the proposed program does not constitute a substantive change for the college. If you would please provide a letter acknowledging the Commission's receipt and approval of this notification.

Should you have any questions, please contact our COC liaison, Dr. Joanne Tolleson at jtolleso@laniertech.edu or 770.781.6950.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ray Perren, President Lanier Technical College

cc: Dr. Steven Sheeley

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