



April 14, 2021

Mr. Tim McDonald  
Interim President  
Lanier Technical College  
2535 Lanier Tech Drive  
Gainesville, GA 30507

Dear Mr. McDonald:

Thank you for submitting the following substantive change:

Substantive change:

**Cooperative Academic Arrangement**

Submission date:

**1/6/2021**

Intended Implementation date:

**5/24/2021**

Case ID:

**SC013050**

As part of the review of the submission, additional information was requested by email. The institution's response has been incorporated into the originally-submitted materials.

The institution is entering into an agreement with other colleges within the Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) to deliver in-demand online courses and programs to students through a collaborative shared resources model. The following programs are part of the arrangement and include associate degree, diploma, and technical certificate levels: Business Technology/Management, Computer Information Systems, Criminal Justice, Early Childhood, and Transportation/Logistics. As verified by email (April 8, 2021), the institution is not reliant on the agreement to offer four of the programs as it already offers 100% of the programs on its own; however, the institution could not deliver the Transportation/Logistics program without the agreement.

A copy of the agreement (signed by presidents of all participating institutions) noted the responsibilities of the affiliate *home* institution including review/approval of courses through established protocols, review/approval of faculty credentials, regular evaluation of student learning outcomes, and regular review of the agreement. All course credit is awarded by the student's identified home institution, and the institution ensures the academic quality of work recorded on the student's academic transcript.



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The affiliate *host* institution provides documentation of course content/curriculum, faculty qualifications, and learning outcomes evaluation, as well as maintains student records. Responsibilities of the TCSG System Office include coordination of an Advisory Council for continuous improvement, marketing/communication support, documentation of course content and faculty credentials in an accessible portal, and others. The Advisory Council and the Steering Committee created under the agreement constitute mechanisms used to ensure the quality and integrity of the agreement, which will be reviewed annually by each affiliate institution.

A complete list of affiliate institutions with the academic point of contact for each was included. The following contact information for the institution is as follows:

***Lanier Technical College***

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2990 Landrum Education Drive  
Oakwood, Georgia 30566  
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**We accept notification of the agreement between the institution and the following institutions within the Technical College System of Georgia: Albany Technical College, Athens Technical College, Atlanta Technical College, Augusta Technical College, Central Georgia Technical College, Chattahoochee Technical College, Coastal Pines Technical College, Columbus Technical College, Georgia Northwestern Technical College, Georgia Piedmont Technical College, Gwinnett Technical College, North Georgia Technical College, Oconee Fall Line Technical College, Ogeechee Technical College, Savannah Technical College, South Georgia Technical College, Southeastern Technical College, Southern Crescent Technical College, Southern Regional Technical College, West Georgia Technical College, and Wiregrass Georgia Technical College to offer Associate degree, Diploma, and Technical Certificate programs in Business Technology/Management, Computer Information Systems, Criminal Justice, Early Childhood, and Transportation/Logistics.**

Should you need assistance, please contact Dr. Denise Y. Young at 404-679-4501 or via email at [dyoung@sacscoc.org](mailto:dyoung@sacscoc.org).

Please include the Case ID number above in all submissions or correspondence about this substantive change.



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*Note:* The SACSCOC substantive change policy was revised in 2020. It includes many new requirements and changes to previous requirements. The Substantive Change Policy and Procedures and learning resources are available on the substantive change webpage at [www.sacscoc.org](http://www.sacscoc.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin W. Sighler". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kevin W. Sighler, Ph.D.  
Director of Substantive Change

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cc: Dr. Joanne P. Tolleson, Vice President of Institutional Effectiveness & Operations  
Dr. Denise Y. Young