4.11 Policy on Program Approval

The Board of Regents must approve for KCTCS institutions all new programs that lead to the awarding of an associate in arts degree, associate in fine arts degree, associate in science degree, associate in applied science degree, and a diploma. In order to enhance the System's responsiveness to business and industry pursuant to the goals of the Kentucky Postsecondary Education Improvement Act of 1997 (as amended), the KCTCS President may approve new credit certificate programs upon recommendation by the KCTCS Chancellor. The KCTCS Board of Regents must ratify the approval of certificate programs at its next regularly scheduled meeting following the KCTCS President's approval.

KCTCS institutions submitting new program proposals must meet all equal opportunity employment and affirmative action eligibility criteria. New programs must support the Kentucky Postsecondary Education Improvement Act (as amended) goals of being responsive to the needs of students and employers, avoiding unnecessary program duplication, and increasing inter-institutional collaboration. New programs must adhere to all KCTCS program approval policies and procedures, the KCTCS Policy on Collaborative Program Development, and all applicable Council on Postsecondary Education policies and procedures.

As the chief executive officer of KCTCS, the KCTCS President is authorized to promulgate administrative procedures to implement this policy.

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