



Associate Degree Programs To Be Eliminated in Academic Year 2025-26 at Tri-C

Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C®) has identified 30 associate degree programs that confer an average of fewer than five degrees per year over any three-year period, including 15 apprenticeship programs. These programs must be eliminated within the coming academic year.

Historically, **Tri-C has sunset programs with low enrollment and graduation rates as needed with minimal impact to students, faculty and staff.** The College relied on that process to meet Ohio Senate Bill 1 requirements, which introduced new rigor to how the College must eliminate programs annually.

No layoffs are planned as a result of these program eliminations. College employees and resources in these program areas will continue to support students in related certificate programs with strong enrollment or will work with their colleagues to propose and design new degree programs.

Students are using alternative pathways to complete a short-term certification instead of a degree so they can enter the workforce faster. Two examples are the Court Captioning and Reporting certificate instead of the associates degree and the Massage Therapy certification instead of the degree. Both degree programs had few graduates because the certificate programs led directly to employment and licensure.

Tri-C is communicating with students enrolled in affected programs that they will be able to complete their degree at the College.

The webpages for the impacted programs were updated with a message that no new enrollments will be accepted after Aug. 22.

The list of programs (including which programs are apprentice programs):

School of Advanced Manufacturing, Engineering and Computer Science

- AAB – Information Technology – Programming and Development with a Concentration in Quality Assurance
- AAB – Information Technology – Business Solutions
- AAS – Sheet Metal Working Technology (Apprenticeship)
- AAS – Manufacturing Industrial Engineering Technology
- AAS – Carpentry Technology (Apprenticeship)
- AAS – Ironworking Technology (Apprenticeship)
- AAS – Drywall Finishing Technology (Apprenticeship)
- AAS – Construction Tending and Hazardous Material Abatement Technology
- AAS – Millwrighting Technology (Apprenticeship)
- AAS – Cement Masonry Technology (Apprenticeship)
- AAS – Floorlaying Technology (Apprenticeship)
- AAS – Plumbing Technology (Apprenticeship)
- AAS – Pipefitting Technology (Apprenticeship)
- AAS – Painting Technology (Apprenticeship)

- AAS – Operating Engineering Technology (Apprenticeship)
- AAS – Manufacturing Technology (Apprenticeship)
- AAS – Electrical/Electronic Engineering Technology with a Concentration in Digital Communications

School of Business, Legal Professions and Hospitality

- AAB – Business Management – International Business
- AAS – Criminal Justice with a Concentration in Corrections
- AAS – Criminal Justice with a Concentration in Security Administration
- AAB – Captioning and Court Reporting
- AAB – Captioning and Court Reporting with a Concentration in Voice Writing
- AAB – Hospitality Management with a Concentration in Restaurant/Food Service Management

School of Creative Arts

- AAB – Visual Communication and Design with a Concentration in Web and Interactive Media

School of Nursing and Health Professions

- AAS – Electroneurodiagnostic Technology with a Concentration in Polysomnography (Program will close and merge with the AAS – Electroneurodiagnostic Technology)
- AAS – Emergency Medical Technology
- AAS – Medical Assisting
- AAS – Massage Therapy

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