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TO: Members of the State Board of Community Colleges, Chairs of the Community College Boards of Trustees, Community College Presidents, Chief Academic Officers, Chief Admissions Officers, Basic Skills Directors, Business Officers, Continuing Education Officers, Customized Training Directors, Chief Financial Officers, Distance Learning, Financial Aid Officers, Personnel Officers, Student Development Administrators, Public Information Officers, Registrars, & Other Interested Parties

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SUBJECT: Amendment of 1G SBCCC 200.96 – Training for Public Safety Agencies

DATE: July 22, 2025

On July 18, 2025, the State Board of Community Colleges voted to amend the State Board Code, **1G SBCCC 200.96 – Training for Public Safety Agencies**. This amendment updates the current code to better meet industry needs and support public safety training programs at community colleges.

The amendment will be effective August 1, 2025. At that time, the amended rule will be published on the North Carolina Community College System's website, [State Board Code - NCCCS \(nccommunitycolleges.edu\)](https://www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/state-board-code). For your convenience, a copy of the rule in its final form is attached to this memorandum.

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**State Board of Community Colleges Code
TITLE 1. COMMUNITY COLLEGES**



CHAPTER G. FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)

SUBCHAPTER 200. FTE REPORTING CATEGORIES/CRITERIA

1G SBCCC 200.96 Training for Public Safety Agencies

- (a) Training for Public Safety_Agencies. Notwithstanding 1G SBCCC 100.1 (6) and 1G SBCCC 100.99 (a) (1), the following Budget FTE funding rules apply to courses provided by a community college in partnership with the public safety agencies listed under G.S. 115D-5 (b) (2) and (2a) that support the organizations' training needs:
- (1) Instructional costs may include the direct costs of delivering course content.
 - (A) Salary of the instructor(s), fringe benefits, supplies, materials, travel paid from college funds, and
 - (B) Equipment and specialized facilities specific to public safety training programs.
 - (2) If all instructional costs, as defined in (a) (1), are provided at no cost or paid totally and directly by an external agency, the course section is considered "gratis" and shall be reported as self-supporting. The course section shall not generate Budget FTE.
 - (3) If a college only provides instructional costs as defined in (a) (1) (b) the college may report student membership hours for Budget FTE in accordance with 1G SBCCC 100.99 (a).
 - (4) Notwithstanding 1G SBCCC 100.99 (a) (2) an agency may reimburse the college for a given course section up to 50% of the instructional costs as defined by (a) (1) (a). The student membership hours generated in the course section may be reported for budget FTE. If the college is reimbursed for more than 50 percent of the instructional cost for a given class, student hours in membership reported for the class shall be prorated in the same proportion as the college funding. If the college is reimbursed for 100 percent of the instructional cost, the class would be gratis [see (a) (2) of this Rule] and no budget FTE would be generated.

(5) For all other course sections, the college shall report all student membership hours for Budget FTE.

(b) Notwithstanding 1G SBCCC 100.99 (a) (4), the following rules apply to courses provided by a community college in partnership with the public safety agencies listed under G.S. 115D-5 (b) (2) and (2a) that support the organizations' training needs:

(1) A community college may contract with a public safety agency in their service area(s) to provide instructors for certification training that supports the college's educational mission and that leads to a credential or is a continuing education course that supports maintenance of an existing credential.

(2) Instructor(s) provided by the public safety agency must remain compensated by the agency for the duration of the contracted educational offering as specified by contract. The lead instructor must be solely assigned to the course during the contracted course times.

(3) The college must maintain control over all aspects of the educational offering.

(4) When applicable, only the college may exercise its delivery agency status, and all processes thereof, during any given educational offering.

(5) The college shall report all student membership hours for Budget FTE.

History Note: Authority G.S. 115D-5;

Eff. August 1, 2004;

Amended Eff. [August 1, 2025](#); [May 1, 2017](#); June 1, 2008.