

**SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE
DISTRICT 522
BOARD POLICY MANUAL**

**POLICY
STATEMENT**

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The total educational program will be evaluated continually with respect to its value to the students enrolled. In addition, instructional degree and certificate programs, departments, disciplines and support services will be reviewed and evaluated with respect to quality, assessment of student learning, need, and cost in accordance with the requirements of the *Illinois Community College Board* and the *Illinois Board of Higher Education*. The needs of the community, the region and the global economy will be considered at all times and advice will be solicited from advisory committees, especially with respect to occupational programs. Faculty and students will be encouraged to participate in the planning, development, evaluation and updating of new and existing courses and programs and in the development of new teaching techniques. All degree and stand-alone certificate program additions or deletions are recommended to the vice president for Instruction by the Curriculum Committee and require Board of Trustees' approval prior to application for *Illinois Community College Board* approval or termination. Certificate programs identified by the ICCB as "reasonable and moderate extensions of a degree or certificate program" do not require prior Board approval. Course credit hour determination, regardless of the delivery mode of instruction and/or the length of the course, will be made in accordance with the Administrative Rules of the ICCB.