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## NEW Office Hours for Akron Area CTP!

Beginning January 3, 2011, Akron Area College Tech Prep will be extending office hours to 6pm, three days a week. This will allow students who are working and/or involved in extracurricular activities greater access. In addition, extending hours to 6pm (or later with notice) will allow Tech Prep to increase our attendance at the various evening events hosted by partner high schools and career centers.

**Monday: 8am-5pm**

**Tuesday – Thursday: 8am-6pm**

**Friday: 8am-5pm**

*As always, it is in the best interest of the student to call prior to stopping by to ensure the appropriate person is available to assist them.*

## A Guide to CT2 (CTAG)

Career-Technical Credit Transfer (CT2) is all about college credit and is a collaboration between the two state agencies who oversee education in Ohio: the Ohio Board of Regents (OBR) and the Ohio Department of Education (ODE).

In response to the expansion of House Bill 66 in 2005, CT2 works to increase Ohio's transfer and articulation efforts to include high school CTE students who have completed CT2 APPROVED high school programs. Upon successfully meeting the standards detailed in the individualized CT2, students access approved college courses at state-supported institutions of higher education. For additional information, follow the link to read through "[Just the Facts About Career Tech Credit Transfer](#)".

## Who is eligible to submit for CT2?

Currently the following career fields are potentially eligible to submit for credit through CT2:

Education and Training  
([Teaching Professions](#))

Hospitality and Tourism  
([Culinary and Food Service Management](#))

Law and Public Safety  
([Ohio Peace Officer Basic](#), [EMT B](#), [EMT I](#), [EMT P](#), [Fire Fighter I](#), [Fire Fighter II](#), [First Responder](#), [Volunteer Fire Fighter](#))

Construction  
([HVAC](#))

Transportation Systems  
([Auto Tech](#))

Engineering and Science Technology  
([Electrical Engineering Tech.](#), [Mechanical Engineering Tech](#))

Information Technology  
([Information Technology](#), [Networking and ISS](#))

Health Science  
([Practical Nursing](#), [Medical Assisting](#))

## Contact Information

Whether your students are attempting to access credit at a participating Ohio college or university, or you have questions about the submission process, there are people in place to offer support and guidance.

Follow [the link](#) for a list of people who are here to help.

For local support, contact

Tammy McClish at 330/972-5512 or [tg@uakron.edu](mailto:tg@uakron.edu) OR  
Dennis Ragins at 330/972-2051 or [dragins@uakron.edu](mailto:dragins@uakron.edu)

## CT2: True or False



*Think you know all there is to know about CT2?  
Test your knowledge by answering the following three questions!*

I fall into one of the career fields listed but this does not mean that I will be able to submit for CT2.

### TRUE!

To determine whether your program is eligible to submit for CT2 follow [the link](#) and click on the "Management Report" under your content area. If your program is listed, you are eligible to submit! (Please note, these reports will also let you know if your program has been approved.)

CT2 is going to remove all bilateral agreements (*articulation, Tech Prep, Credit Banking Agreements etc.*) between my program and partner colleges or universities.

### FALSE!

Local agreements address specific regional needs, whereas CT2 addresses the more global necessity to move about the state without unnecessary duplication. Career Technical Credit Transfer does not replace local agreements between colleges and secondary schools. In fact, CT2 encourages local transfer agreements! Please note CT2 does not have any bearing on your agreements with private colleges.

If my program is approved through the CT2 process [described here](#), my students can take the college credits to any college or university in Ohio.

### FALSE!

Private colleges are not required to accept CT2 credit. In addition, if a college or university does not have the course your students cannot transfer those credits to said institution. (For example, if your student has earned HVAC credit those courses cannot transfer to The University of Akron as no corresponding courses exist at this institution.) For a list of approved colleges and universities, follow [this link](#) and click on "Approved Programs" under your content area.

## Information for Instructors Using Springboard

1. The [Browser check](#) must be completed prior to the start of testing.

2. Instructors must review the [teacher instructions](#) and go-over the [student instructions](#) with their class prior to testing.

Denise Thomas is the point of contact for any questions or concerns which may arise during the spring semester as relates to Springboard.

You can reach Denise at:  
330/972-7040 or [deniset@uakron.edu](mailto:deniset@uakron.edu)

## Upcoming Events and Deadlines

### January 2011

- 1 [FAFSA](#) becomes available
- 10 UA Spring Semester Begins
- 13 Governing Board Meeting, 8am
- 17 MLK Day (UA Closed)

### February 2011

- 1 Final Honors College admissions/scholarship deadline
- 10 Steering Committee Meeting 12-2pm
- 12 ACT Test Date
- 13 [College Goal Sunday](#) (Simmons Hall)
- Site Coordinator: [Pam Arrington](#)
- 21-23 Ohio Economic-Education Summit

### March 2011

- 1 FAFSA priority deadline
- 1 UA Scholarship deadline
- 1 **Credit Banking Notification Deadline**  
(for students wishing to access and/or attempt to transfer Tech Prep credits to another institution)