

February 5, 2021

Dr. Scott Ralls President Wake Technical Community College 9101 Fayetteville Road Raleigh, NC 27603-5696

Dear Dr. Ralls:

Thank you for submitting the following substantive change:

Substantive change:

Program Closure

Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) in IT: Networking Management

Submission date:

9/14/2020

Intended Implementation date:

12/1/2020

Case ID:

SC011790

The letter notified SACSCOC of the closure of the Diploma program in Data Storage and Virtualization. Notification of closure of the program had previously been submitted in a letter from the institution dated May 28, 2020, and closure of the program was approved in a SACSCOC letter dated September 25, 2020.

The letter also notified SACSCOC of the closure of the Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree program in IT: Networking Management. There are two active students in the program. Students have been contacted of the closure and will be given the opportunity to complete the academic credential under a two-year teach out plan or transfer to a new program spring 2021. Students will not incur any additional expenses as a result of the program closure.

Faculty are not negatively impacted; faculty and equipment linked to the program will be transferred to the existing A.A.S. degree in Networking or the A.A.S. degree in Cloud Infrastructure.

The institution also provided information regarding two new certificates under the existing A.A.S. degree in Cybersecurity. This does not appear to be a substantive change; thus, neither notification nor approval is required.



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Please refer to the SACSCOC substantive change policy. Only changes defined in policy should be submitted for notification and/or approval; changes not defined in policy should not be submitted. For future submissions, clearly indicate the type(s) of policy-defined substantive change being submitted. Your SACSCOC vice president and the substantive change staff are available for guidance as needed.

The SACSCOC substantive change policy was revised in 2020. It includes many new requirements and changes to previous requirements. The Substantive Change Policy and Procedures and learning resources are available on the substantive change webpage at <a href="https://www.sacscoc.org">www.sacscoc.org</a>.

The Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges approves the closure of the Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree program in IT: Networking Management.

Should you need assistance, please contact Dr. Larry L. Earvin at 404-679-4501 or via email at <a href="learvin@sacscoc.org">learvin@sacscoc.org</a>.

Please include the Case ID number above in all submissions or correspondence about this substantive change.

Sincerely,

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