

**ARKANSAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING**

**Thursday, August 16, 2018
3:00 p.m.**

Via Conference Call

AGENDA

- *1. Economic Feasibility of Loan Issue for Arkansas Tech University (Mr. Nick Fuller)
2. Letters of Notification (Dr. Jessie Walker)

**ECONOMIC FEASIBILITY OF LOAN ISSUE
ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY**

Arkansas Tech University (ATU) requests approval of the economic feasibility of plans to obtain a loan from Centennial Bank in an amount not to exceed \$4 million with a term of up to fifteen (15) years at an annual interest rate not to exceed 3.0 percent. Proceeds from the bond issue will be used for educational and general (E&G) purposes. Arkansas Tech University Board of Trustees approved this financing at its meeting on May 17, 2018.

The E&G issue will be up to \$4 million with an annual debt service of \$335,066 and a term of up to fifteen (15) years. Proceeds, along with those from the \$1.1 million loan issue approved by the AHECB on July 27, 2018, will be used to finance an Energy Performance Project under the guidelines of the Arkansas Energy Performance Contracting (AEPC) Program overseen by the Arkansas Energy Office. The project includes campus-wide energy improvements to include campus HVAC controls and lighting. As required by the AEPC Program, these improvements will generate annual savings guaranteed by the Energy Service Company, which will exceed the total project cost (construction, equipment and financing). Coordinating Board policy regarding debt service for E&G projects provides that a maximum of 25 percent of net tuition and fee revenue less unrestricted E&G scholarship expenditures may be pledged to E&G debt service.

Relevant data for ATU follows:

Budgeted 2018-2019 Net Tuition and Fee Revenue	\$ 28,084,600
Maximum Allowable Debt Service (\$28,084,600 X 25%)	\$ 7,021,150
Existing Debt Service	\$ 5,375,848
Proposed New Debt Service	\$ 335,066
Amount Remaining for Additional Debt Service	\$ 1,310,236

The above data demonstrates that ATU has sufficient tuition and fee revenue to support a loan issue of up to \$4 million with a term of up to fifteen (15) years at an annual interest rate not to exceed 3.0 percent.

Any proceeds from loans that require AHECB approval, are used for the purchase or construction of new facilities, and result in additional square footage are subject to the AHECB maintenance policy as adopted in October of 2010. The projects contemplated herein do not provide additional square footage to the campus.

RESOLVED, That the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board considers economically feasible plans for Arkansas Tech

University to issue bonds in a total amount, including this request for \$4 million as well as the prior \$1.1 million approved in July, not to exceed \$5.1 million, with a term of up to fifteen (15) years at an expected annual interest rate not to exceed 3.0 percent to finance an Energy Performance Project under the guidelines of the Arkansas Energy Performance Contracting (AEPC) Program overseen by the Arkansas Energy Office.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Director of the Arkansas Department of Higher Education is authorized to notify the President and the Chair of the Board of Trustees of Arkansas Tech University of the Coordinating Board's resolution.

LETTERS OF NOTIFICATION

Arkansas Colleges & Universities Summary (pages 2-4):

This agenda item includes submitted Letters of Notification (LON) from one (1) Arkansas institution and includes new programs created with existing coursework and changes to existing programs.

The Director of the Arkansas Department of Higher Education (ADHE) has approved the following program requests since the July 2018 AHECB meeting. According to AHECB policy 5.11, program actions approved by the ADHE Director must be included on the AHECB meeting agenda prior to initiation and may require further review by the Coordinating Board.

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ARKANSAS COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

LON DESCRIPTIONS

South Arkansas Community College

New Certificate/Degree Program

Technical Certificate in Film Production (CIP 09.0702; 30 credit hours; Fall 2018)

ENGL	1113	Composition I
COMM	1103	Introduction to Media
COMM	2303	Film Pre-Production
COMM	1503	Lighting
COMM	1303	Audio Production
COMM	1033	Stagecraft
COMM	2403	Film Production and Design
COMM	1403	Editing and Post-Production
SPCH	1113	Principles of Speech
COMM	2603	Sound Design

Technical Certificate in Entertainment Technology (CIP 09.0702; 30 credit hours; Fall 2018)

ENGL	1113	Composition I
COMM	1103	Intro to Media
COMM	1603	Digital Photography
CSCI	2183	Intro to Computer Graphics
CSCI	1903	Digital Publishing
CSCI	1923	Intro to Digital Photo Editing
COMM	1503	Lighting
COMM	1303	Audio Production
COMM	2603	Sound Design
SPCH	1113	Principles of Speech

Certificate of Proficiency in Entertainment Technology (CIP 09.0707; 15 credit hours; Fall 2018)

COMM	1103	Intro to Media
COMM	1603	Digital Photography
CSCI	2183	Intro to Computer Graphics
CSCI	1903	Digital Publishing
CSCI	1923	Intro to Digital Photo Editing

Certificate of Proficiency in Film Production (CIP 09.0707; 15 credit hours; Fall 2018)

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COMM	1503	Lighting
COMM	1303	Audio Production
CSCI	1903	Digital Publishing
CSCI	1923	Intro to Digital Photo Editing

Technical Certificate in Criminal Justice (CIP 43.0107; 30 credit hours; Fall 2018)

ENGL	1113	Composition I
MATH	1023	College Algebra OR MATH 1073 Technical Math OR MATH 1113 Quantitative Literacy
CRJU	1103	Intro to Criminal Justice
CRJU	2103	Police Administration
CRJU	2503	Arkansas Criminal Law
ENGL	1123	Composition II
CSCI	1003	Computers and Information Processing
CRJU	2303	Rules of Criminal Evidence & Procedures
CRJU	2403	Criminal Investigative Techniques
CRJU	2603	Arkansas Juvenile Law and Procedures

Curriculum Revision

Certificate of Proficiency in Criminal Justice (DC 0390; CIP 43.0107; 15 credit hours; Fall 2018)

Added Courses

CRJU	1103	Introduction to Criminal Justice
CRJU	2503	Arkansas Criminal Law
CRJU	2303	Rules of Criminal Evidence & Procedures OR
CRJU	2403	Criminal Investigation Techniques

Certificate of Proficiency in Law Enforcement (DC 0390; CIP 43.0107; 15 credit hours; Fall 2018)

Added Courses

CRJU	2603	Arkansas Juvenile Law and Procedures
CRJU	2403	Criminal Investigation Techniques OR
CRJU	2303	Rules of Criminal Evidence & Procedures
CRJU	2103	Police Administration

Reconfiguration of Existing Degree Programs

Associate of Applied Science and Media Arts in Performance & Media Arts (DC 3312; CIP 51.0101) reconfigured to create the Associate of Applied Science in Entertainment and Media Arts (CIP 09.0702; 60 credit hours; Fall 2018);

AAS in Entertainment and Media Arts – 60 credit hours

COMM	1103	Introduction to Media
COMM	2303	Film Pre-Production
COMM	1503	Lighting
COMM	1303	Audio Production
ENGL	1113	Composition I
COMM	1033	<i>StageCraft</i>
COMM	2403	Film Production and Design
COMM	1403	Editing and Post-Production
ENGL	1213	Composition II
COMM	2603	Sound Design
CSCI	1003	Computers and Information Processing
MATH	1113	Quantitative Literacy

CSCI	2183	Intro to Computer Graphics
CSCI	1923	Intro to Digital Photo Editing
COMM	1013	Scriptwriting
COMM	1603	Digital Photography
CSCI	1903	Digital Publishing
COMM	2203	Documentary Film-Making <i>or</i> Digital Publishing
COMM	2503	Internship