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Dr. Paul Parnell President Norco College 2001 Third Street Norco, CA 92860

Dear President Parnell:

Norco College staff has brought to my attention that the College will be offering four new degrees. The information provided by the College indicates these degrees do not contain new courses or substantial changes, but instead reformat existing curriculum. This development is in response to the Student Transfer Agreement Reform Act, also known as California State Senate Bill 1440, which mandates that California Community Colleges (CCC) develop transfer degrees to facilitate the successful transfer of students from the CCC system to the California State University System.

The new Associate Transfer Degrees are:

- Computer Science AS-T
- English AA-T
- Spanish AA-T
- Studio Arts AA-T

Based on the description Norco College has provided, these degrees are not substantively new and will not necessitate a substantive change review by the Commission. Thank you for bringing this to our attention and please let us know if there are any changes in the information provided by the College.

Sincerely,

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