



January 19, 2023

TO: THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF VALENCIA COLLEGE

FROM: KATHLEEN PLINSKE
President

RE: CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND COURSES

In January 2022, Governor DeSantis announced the award of a Florida Jobs Growth Grant to Valencia College for \$3.7 million to support the development of a training program to prepare robotics technicians with a specialization in semiconductor production. The training will prepare students for current and future job openings supporting manufacturing, logistics and semiconductor occupations.

Because there is not yet a statewide clock-hour framework for a robotics technician training program and given the need for the rapid development of this new training program, Valencia College will begin offering the 22-week program through its Continuing Education department in May 2023.

Course Area	Course Number	Course Title	Fee
CMT	1032	Robotics Technician	\$10,500

Included in the Jobs Growth Grant award was \$600,000 for scholarships, which will fully support students' tuition costs through May 2024. During that time, Valencia College will collaborate with the Florida Department of Education to develop a clock-hour framework for the training program.

The program will be offered at Valencia's Osceola Campus in Kissimmee near the Osceola County NeoCity semiconductor initiative.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The President recommends that the District Board of Trustees of Valencia College approve the Continuing Education programs and courses, as presented.



President