

# American Council on Education



Virginia Department of Corrections  
Division of Education

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# Who Are We?



- ❧ Virginia Department of Corrections – Division of Education
- ❧ 38 Total Facilities
- ❧ 35 Different CTE Programs
- ❧ 102 Total Career and Technical Education Instructors
- ❧ 105 Academic Instructors
- ❧ 5 ACE Programs – 34 different Instructors – 19 Facilities



# Who is the American Council on Education?



- ☞ National Accreditation recommendation service since 1974
- ☞ ACE CREDIT's College and University Network is a group of more than 2,000 higher education institutions
- ☞ ACE maintains a national computerized transcript service to provide students with a lifetime record of all their ACE recommended courses.
- ☞ ACE Website  
<http://www2.acenet.edu/credit/?fuseaction=browse.getOrganizationDetail&FICE=1006143>

# Course Credits Awarded

CTE Course	Number of Credits	ACE Course Credits and Names
Business Software Applications	6 Credits	(3) Business Applications (3) Computer Operating Systems
Computer Aided Drafting	14 Credits	(3) Intro to Board Drafting (4) Basic CAD (3) Advanced CAD (4) Portfolio/Final Project
Commercial Arts and Design	6 Credits	(6) Principles of Graphics Design
Introduction to Computers	3 Credits	(3) Keyboarding
Digital Print Production	12 Credits	(3) Typography (3) Print Reproduction Techniques (6) Field Work Practicum

In which facilities are the courses being evaluated taught? (17)	Locations/# Instructors
<b>Drafting and CAD</b>	4
Greensville Correctional Center	
Green Rock Correctional Center	
Pocahontas Correctional Center	
St. Brides Correctional Center	
<b>Business Software Applications</b>	12
Augusta Correctional Center	
Baskerville Correctional Center	
Bland Correctional Center	
Central Virginia Correction Unit	
Deerfield Correctional Center	
Fluvanna Correctional Center	
Haynesville Correctional Center	
Lawrenceville Correctional Center	
Nottoway Correctional Center	
River North Correctional Center	
Rustburg Correctional Unit #9	
Virginia Correctional Center for Women	
<b>Communications Art and Design</b>	2
Greensville Correctional Center	
Sussex II State Prison	
<b>Graphic Communication &amp; Digital Print Production</b>	4
Baskerville Correctional Center	
Fluvanna Correctional Center	
River North Correctional Center	
St. Brides Correctional Center	
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# Request for Accreditation Process



- ❧ Pre-Review Process – Presentation
- ❧ Review Process
  - ❧ Hybrid Environment – Onsite/Virtual
  - ❧ Competency Based Education
  - ❧ Demonstration of Competencies
- ❧ Recommendations by ACE
  - ❧ Credits Recommended
  - ❧ Changes and Improvements



# Program Benefits



- ❧ Society– More educated returning citizens
- ❧ Program Improvements – technology and relevance
- ❧ Transferability Program and Students –
  - ❧ Other states can adopt – Process is easy to replicate
  - ❧ Credits apply nationwide
  - ❧ Economies of Scale – Future programs
- ❧ Management simplicity – Minimal changes to VADOC
- ❧ Fiscal Responsibility– Cost Benefit Analysis

# Cost Benefit Analysis of ACE Program

CTE Courses	Number of Students Completing Program	Credits	Cost for Credits (if college funded) \$145.00 Per Credit	Cost for Accreditation through ACE (Average \$5.13 Per Credit)
Business Software Applications (6 credits)	280	1680	\$243,600.00	\$6,280
Computer Aided Drafting (14 credits)	116	1624	\$235,480.00	\$6,280
Computer Graphics and Design (6 credits)	19	114	\$16,530.00	\$6,280
Introduction to Computers (3 credits)	539	1617	\$234,465.00	\$6,280
Print Production ( 12 credits)	91	1092	\$158,340.00	\$6,280
<b>Total</b>	<b>1045</b>	<b>6127</b>	<b>\$888,415.00</b>	<b>\$31,400</b>



# Potential Programs for ACE



∞ Welding

∞ HVAC

∞ Electricity

∞ Plumbing

∞ Masonry

# WHY?

## Why Accreditation through ACE

**As we look ahead into the next century, leaders will be those who empower others. ~*Bill Gates***



Questions and Answers