



# Clatsop Community College

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Dear Joint Boards Articulation Committee:

We, the members of the Oregon Community College Council of Instructional Administrators, support the proposed Associate of Science Oregon Transfer degree in Computer Science (ASOT-CS). This proposed degree program will enable seamless transition between Oregon's community colleges and Oregon's public universities for students studying computer science, a field where Oregon industry faces a critical workforce shortage.

The community colleges are excited about this new degree because it will help students majoring in computer science to focus their course selections and streamline their path to the associate and, ultimately, the bachelor's degree. Eleven community colleges are considering offering the degree, with six of those planning to offer the degree within one year of its approval. This degree will increase access for community college graduates to the university and help the state move further towards its 40-40-20 goal.

Sincerely,

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