



## Ohio Revised Code

### Section 3345.89 Accelerated college and career pathways program.

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(A) As used in this section:

(1) "College credit plus pathways" means the pathways developed under section 3365.13 of the Revised Code.

(2) "State university" has the same meaning as in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code.

(B) The accelerated college and career pathways program is established. Under the program, each state university shall establish at least one accelerated ninety semester credit hour degree program aligned to an in-demand career area by the 2027-2028 academic year. Each state university shall determine the number and types of accelerated degrees to be offered. Each state university shall do all of the following:

(1) Include accelerated ninety semester credit hour degree programs in course and program catalogues;

(2) Ensure that accelerated ninety semester credit hour degree programs are properly accredited and meet the requirements for reduced credit hour degree programs. The chancellor of higher education shall approve each accelerated ninety semester credit hour degree program developed by a state university that meets the requirements established under section 3333.97 of the Revised Code.

(3) Work collaboratively with local and regional business community partners to identify in-demand career areas during the development of accelerated ninety semester credit hour degree programs.

(4) Report to the chancellor all of the following:

(a) The accelerated ninety semester credit hour degree programs the state university offers;



(b) The number of students participating in each program;

(c) The number of students that complete each program;

(d) Any additional information required by the chancellor under section 3333.97 of the Revised Code.

(C)(1) Each state university shall develop, in consultation with local and regional primary and secondary education partners, model college credit plus pathways that are aligned with the accelerated ninety semester credit hour degree programs offered by the state university and regional and state workforce needs.

(2) Each public and participating nonpublic secondary school shall include the model college credit plus pathways developed under division (C)(1) of this section in the information required to be provided to students and parents under section 3365.04 of the Revised Code.

(D) The chancellor shall not distribute state share of instruction funds to a state university in any fiscal year in which it does not comply with this section, as determined by the chancellor.