

**TOPIC: CLARIFICATION: BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN
MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP AT COLORADO
MOUNTAIN COLLEGE**

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I. SUMMARY

This item clarifies that the Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree at Colorado Mountain College that was approved by the Commission on November 7, 2013 has a major in Management and Leadership.

II. BACKGROUND

The staff analysis provided at the November 7, 2013 meeting demonstrated the proposed degree meets the statutory requirements. The proposal was unclear, however, as to the major for the degree. Colorado Mountain College clarified that the degree and major is “Bachelor of Applied Science in Management and Leadership.” This major corresponds with the Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) code of 52.0213 originally submitted with the proposed degree. All instructional programs receive a CIP code, which is part of a taxonomic scheme used nationally for the accurate tracking and reporting of fields of study and program completions activity. The Department uses CIP codes for tracking and reporting in the SURDS database for state purposes. The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), through the National Center for Education Statistics, uses the same CIP codes for tracking and reporting at the national level. This helps ensure Colorado’s higher education data corresponds with national data.

IV. STAFF ANALYSIS

The definition for a program with a CIP code of 52.0213 is, “A program that focuses on leadership skills that can be applied to a business, government, non-profit, or educational setting. Includes instruction in organizational planning, dynamics of leadership, finance, team building, conflict resolution and mediation, communication and other management skills.” Department staff confirms this is an appropriate CIP code for Colorado Mountain College’s BAS in Management and Leadership.

V. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Commission approves the major of Management and Leadership for the previously approved Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree at Colorado Mountain College.

VI. SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Copies of all relevant materials are on file in the Academic Affairs Division and are available upon request.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

C.R.S. §23-71-133 Junior colleges - Approval of baccalaureate degrees