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APPLY TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR
APPROVAL OF THE LESS THAN ONE-YEAR CAREER
PATHWAY CERTIFICATE IN GROUP FITNESS FOR
PORTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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REPORT: The proposed Less Than One-Year Career Pathway Certificate in Group Fitness is for individuals whose career goal is employment in the fitness industry. Upon completion of the 30-credit certificate graduates will be prepared for employment as a group fitness leader at a club or in private practice. Group Fitness Leadership is a growing profession within the expanding fitness industry. The certificate includes a broad spectrum of PE and fitness technology courses focusing on the structure and function of the human body and exercise and movement activities. All courses required for the certificate also fulfill requirements for the Fitness Technology AAS. If students choose to continue their education, they will be able to complete the AAS at Portland Community College and be prepared to transfer to Portland State University.

RECOMMENDATION: That the College be authorized to submit an application to the Oregon State Board of Education for the Less Than One-Year Career Pathway Certificate in Group Fitness for Portland Community College.