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<u>17-019</u> <u>APPLY TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR</u>

APPROVAL OF THE WELDING CERTIFICATION PREPARATION (CUSTOMIZED) LESS THAN ONE-

YEAR CAREER PATHWAY CERTIFICATE

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REPORT: The proposed Welding Certification Preparation

(Customized) Less Than One-Year Career Pathway Certificate serves the local welding industry and is designed for employed individuals who want to develop specific skills preparing them for welding certification. This is one of seven specialized certificates in the

Welding Department. The unique nature of this certificate is that students, in collaboration with the welding faculty, determine a skill development plan which meets the individual and employer needs. The four courses

required for the certificate are basic to advanced welding courses in which the content can be specialized to meet the requirements of specific welding certifications. Upon

completion students will be prepared for welding

certification and meet the unique needs of the individual and the employer. Completion of this 12-credit certificate provides a benchmark as students work toward their

Welding AAS.

RECOMMENDATION: That the College be authorized to submit an application

to the Oregon State Board of Education for the Welding Certification Preparation (Customized) Less Than One-Year Career Pathway Certificate for Portland Community

College.