Applied Baccalaureate Degree Supply/Demand Gap Rubric for Colleges

The goal of this rubric is to help you build a program that will meet the needs of your community. We have given you options about the information you can use to support the need for your new program. Also, the guidelines for estimating the supply/demand gap are similar to the ones we use for other program applications. We hope this makes the rubric more familiar to you. If not, contact the Director of Transfer Education at SBCTC for further information.

The application needs to show the information below for program approval:

- <u>employers demand* the level of technical training proposed</u> within the program, making it cost-effective for students to seek the degree;
- lead to high wage-earning jobs; and
- the <u>proposed program fills a gap in options available for students</u> because it is not offered by a public four-year institution of higher education in the college's geographic area.

College Name:	
Program Name:	
Select one: Existing Occupation □ or Emerging Occupation □	
If local demand/supply information is available for the specified degree program and target occupation(s),**	
For demand: Provide local/regional demand data for the	
targeted occupation job title(s) from traditional labor market	
data, industry data, trade association data, or other transactional	
data. (Provide absolute numbers, not just percentages)	
For supply gap: Provide data on the number of programs and the	
number of annual program graduates for all four-year colleges	
that supply your region. Is the number of current annual	
graduates insufficient to meet current and projected demand?	
(The result of demand minus supply).	
OR, if demand information is not available or it is a new/emerging/changing occupation, **	
For demand: Provide employer survey results for local demand	
for the targeted occupation job title(s) to support the demand	
and education level for the program. <u>Survey requirements are</u>	
listed below.	

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for the targeted occupation job title(s) to support that there is a	
gap in the number of qualified applicants available to fill jobs.	
Survey requirements are listed below.	
OR, if based on a statutory or accreditation requirement, **	
Select one: Statutory Requirement \square or Accreditation Requirement \square	
For demand: Provide labor market information on the current	
education requirements for the job, including evidence of recent	
openings for requiring or preferring bachelor's degrees or above.	
Cite the statute or certifying body, your proposed program is	
based upon that has specified a bachelor's or above in the field is	
needed.	
For supply gap: Provide employer survey results for local supply	
for the targeted occupation job title(s) to support that there is a	
gap or that employers anticipate a gap in the number of qualified	
applicants that will be available to fill jobs with the new	
requirements. <u>Survey requirements are listed below</u> .	
* Demand is defined by state law as "an occupation with a substantial number of current or projected employment opportunities."	
**Applications may include information related to more than one option (i.e., labor market data to support the local demand for the	
occupation and a local employer survey to support that there is a gap in the number of qualified applicants available to fill jobs)	

Survey Requirements:

To verify/support supply demand your survey should include at least 25 individual employer responses. If there are not 25 employers in the area, you should cover the employers who comprise at least 75% of the identified employment base. Provide a copy of the survey with the aggregated results as an appendix. The <u>survey must address</u> the following general questions (you may edit the wording to suit your survey):

- (1) Do you have anticipated demand for application job title(s)? (If this is a new or emerging job title, include a brief description of specific job duties.)
- (2) If there is demand, how many positions do you currently have open? How many do you anticipate having open in the next 3 years?
- (3) Is a bachelor's degree a requirement or preference for this position? Requirement: Y or N Preference: Y or N
- (4) Do you have difficulty finding Bachelor's degree level applicants for this position? (If yes- explain)
- (5) Will the proposed program assist you in finding qualified applicants to fill the position(s)?