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RALEIGH, (SGRToday.com) - The state's community college system has produced a guide that links educational opportunities with careers in an effort to help the public prepare for high school, college, the workforce, or a career change.

The 2015 Career Clusters Guide is available online at nccommunitycolleges.edu.

"This guide, designed around career clusters and related pathways, portrays a common set of knowledge and skills required for career success in each path," according to the introduction of the report. "This process enhances the traditional approach to career and technical education by providing a foundation that prepares

individuals for a full range of occupations and career specialties. This method uses a blend of employability knowledge, technical, and academic skills.

The economy and workforce in North Carolina is changing. The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction and the North Carolina Community College System are committed to supporting the state's workforce system. This guide will assist all students in identifying the available career options by using individual interests, clearly defined pathways, and timely employment projections. Students using this guide will be able to make career decisions that meet the needs of North Carolina's current and emerging economy.