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101.1 — AUTHORITY AND BRIEF HISTORY

The Utah State Legislature created the Utah College of Applied Technology (UCAT), Utah's 10th institution of higher education, on September 1, 2001. The composition of UCAT, as delineated in Utah Code §53B-2a-105, includes, among others, the following college campus:

- (1) "The Bridgerland Applied Technology College (BATC) Campus which serves the geographic area encompassing:
 - (a) the Box Elder School District;
 - (b) the Cache School District;
 - (c) the Logan School District; and
 - (d) the Rich County School District."

As a college campus within UCAT, BATC is an operationally independent unit of a complex, multi-unit statewide institution. BATC is geographically apart from the Central Administration of UCAT and "(1) is permanent in nature; (2) offers at least 50 percent of the courses of an educational program leading to a certificate or other educational credential; (3) has its own faculty and administrative organization; and (4) has its own budgetary and hiring authority."

Bridgerland Applied Technology College was officially organized under the State Board of Vocational Education in January 1971 as the Bridgerland Area Vocational Center. For several years, BATC was moved geographically to various locations around Cache Valley in northern Utah.

In September 1984, BATC moved into its current main campus facility located at 1301 North 600 West in Logan, Utah. The facility was originally constructed by the Wurlitzer Company as a production plant for pianos and electric organs and became available when Wurlitzer decided to close.

In January 1990, legislation changed the name to "Applied Technology Center" to better describe the school's mission and future. BATC operated as an Applied Technology Center until the legislature created UCAT as described above.

Under Utah Code §53B-22-106 (a) the BATC Campus, as a member institution under the Utah College of Applied Technology, was granted both the responsibility and the authority to:

"... offer a non-credit post-secondary and secondary career and technical education curriculum."

In addition, the Legislature also established an institutional governance structure, Utah College of Applied Technology Board of Trustees that was designed to provide authority, direction, and coordination for UCAT and its member campuses.

Utah Code §53B-2a-104 states that "The Utah College of Applied Technology Board of Trustees is:

- (1) The Utah College of Applied Technology Board of Trustees is vested with the control, management, and supervision of the Utah College of Applied Technology college campuses in a manner consistent with the policy and purposes of this title and specific powers and responsibilities granted to it."