**Tober Stephen** Form 4 February 28, 2012

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Middle)

(Zip)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **Tober Stephen** 

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

CAREER EDUCATION CORP

[CECO]

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

02/25/2012

(Month/Day/Year)

X\_ Officer (give title below) **SVP** 

Director

Other (specify below)

10% Owner

CAREER EDUCATION CORPORATION, 231 N. MARTINGALE ROAD

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I. Non Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of or Peneficially Owned

### SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/25/2012		F	386 (1)	D	\$ 11.93	34,839	D	
Common Stock	02/25/2012		F	321 (1)	D	\$ 11.93	34,518	D	
Common Stock	02/25/2012		D	1,169 (2)	D	\$0	33,349	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Topot ting O mark 1 minor 1 minor 1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Tober Stephen CAREER EDUCATION CORPORATION 231 N. MARTINGALE ROAD SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173			SVP			

# **Signatures**

By: Gail B. Rago, pursuant to POA For: Stephen J.

Tober

02/28/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Reflects shares of common stock surrendered to the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with vesting of restricted stock.
- (2) Reflects forfeiture of a portion of a performance-based restricted stock award.

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