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SECURITIES

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * O'Sullivan Colleen M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

CAREER EDUCATION CORP

(Check all applicable)

SVP

[CECO]

03/01/2012

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify below)

CAREER EDUCATION CORPORATION, 231 N. MARTINGALE ROAD

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Securities Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Amount (D)

Code V Common 49,933.5419 20,756 03/01/2012 \$0 D Α (1)(1) Stock

3.

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting 6 mer name / name	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
O'Sullivan Colleen M							
CAREER EDUCATION CORPORATION		SVP					
231 N. MARTINGALE ROAD			SVP				
SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173							

Signatures

By: Jeffrey Ayers, pursuant to POA For: Colleen Maura O'Sullivan

03/05/2012

**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).

Includes 20,756 restricted stock units granted pursuant to the Career Education Corporation 2008 Incentive Compensation Plan, with each restricted stock unit representing a contingent right to receive one share of common stock. The restricted stock units shall vest in four equal installments on each of March 1, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016.

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