

CAREER EDUCATION CORP  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Cooper Jeffrey R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CAREER EDUCATION CORP  
[CECO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/07/2016

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
SVP, Chief Compliance Officer

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

SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/07/2016                           |  | A                              | 6,960 (1) A \$ 0  | 17,048 (2)  | 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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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Cash-Settled RSU                           | <u>(3)</u>   | 03/07/2016                           |  | A                              | 6,960   | <u>(4)</u> 03/14/2020                                    | Common Stock  | 6,960                      |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 4.49  | 03/07/2016                           |  | A                              | 38,760  | <u>(5)</u> 03/07/2026                                    | Common Stock  | 38,760                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| Cooper Jeffrey R<br>CAREER EDUCATION CORPORATION<br>231 N. MARTINGALE ROAD<br>SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173 |               |           | SVP, Chief Compliance Officer |       |

## Signatures

Jeffrey R. Cooper by POA: Gail B. Rago 03/08/2016

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) Restricted stock units granted pursuant to the Career Education Corporation 2008 Incentive Compensation Plan, with each unit representing the contingent right to receive one share of Issuer's common stock. The restricted stock units shall vest in four equal installments on each of March 14, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020.
  - (2) Includes 15,981 restricted stock units granted pursuant to the Career Education Corporation 2008 Incentive Compensation Plan, with each unit representing the contingent right to receive one share of Issuer's common stock.
  - (3) Each cash-settled RSU is the economic equivalent of one share of Issuer's common stock.
  - (4) This grant of cash-settled RSUs was approved by the Compensation Committee of Issuer's Board of Directors on March 7, 2016 pursuant to the Career Education Corporation 2008 Incentive Compensation Plan. The cash-settled RSUs shall vest in four equal installments on each of March 14, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020.
  - (5) Exercisable in four equal installments on each of March 14, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020.

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