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## SOFTWARE SYSTEMS DESIGN

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vant skills in engineering technology disciplines are more readily acceptable to employers looking for new hires.

The four newly accredited programs are Software Engineering Technician, Software Engineering Technology, Health Informatics Technology, and Software Engineering Technology — Interactive Gaming.

And Centennial's four-year Bachelor of Applied Information Sciences degree program in Software Systems Design has been nationally accredited by CIPS. After evaluating Centennial's five information technology programs, CIPS called it "a well-run school in well-maintained buildings with motivated staff and faculty teaching a proud and successful student body."

Mohan says the program standards all the colleges follow are identical, except that accredited programs like Centennial, "Have an industry-validated additional value and that gives the students an edge."

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## FOUR MORE CENTENNIAL PROGRAMS RECEIVE ACCREDITATION

Good news for Centennial College, as The Canadian Technology Accreditation Board (CTAB) has recently recognized an additional four of its programs, bringing the total number of nationally accredited programs at the school to 21.

According to Jag Mohan, dean of the School of Engineering Technology and Applied Science, Centennial is the school with the largest number of nationally accredited technology and applied science programs in Ontario.

"We have 21 programs nationally accredited to this organization and we also have five of them accredited with the Canadian Information Processing Society, and we have six programs nationally accredited by Canadian forces," he says. "In addition, those graduates who successfully complete a year of co-op work in accredited programs will be credited with one year of experience towards certification at Ontario Association of Certified Engineering Technicians and

Technologists (OACETT)."

Accreditation provides a third-party, non-governmental auditing mechanism independent of the institution. National accreditation by CTAB means Centennial graduates meet all of the academic requirements for certification by OACETT and other similar certifying associations across the country.

Program accreditation has a significant advantage for students. Graduates of an accredited program with rele-