#### CAREER EDUCATION CORP

Form 4 March 16, 2016

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Peppers Michele A

(First)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

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[CECO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/14/2016

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Director

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

CAREER EDUCATION

CORPORATION, 231 N. MARTINGALE ROAD

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Principal Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

Person

SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed		4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/14/2016		F	382 (1)	D	\$ 4.6	24,593.6	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2016		M	2,515	A	(2)	27,108.6	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2016		D	2,515	D	\$ 4.6	24,593.6	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2016		M	1,603	A	<u>(2)</u>	26,196.6	D	
	03/14/2016		D	1,603	D		24,593.6	D	

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Common Stock					\$ 4.6		
Common Stock	03/14/2016	M	1,264	A	<u>(2)</u>	25,857.6	D
Common Stock	03/14/2016	D	1,264	D	\$ 4.6	24,593.6	D
Common Stock	03/14/2016	A	28,000 (3)	A	\$0	52,593.6 (4)	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Secur Acqu (A) o Dispo	rities ired or osed of : 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Cash-Settled RSU	(2)	03/14/2016		M		2,515	<u>(5)</u>	03/14/2017	Common Stock	2,515
Cash-Settled RSU	(2)	03/14/2016		M		1,603	<u>(6)</u>	03/14/2018	Common Stock	1,603
Cash-Settled RSU	(2)	03/14/2016		M		1,264	<u>(7)</u>	03/14/2019	Common Stock	1,264

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Peppers Michele A CAREER EDUCATION CORPORATION 231 N. MARTINGALE ROAD SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173			Principal Accounting Officer				

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# **Signatures**

Michele A. Peppers by POA: Gail B.

Rago 03/16/2016

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

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- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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Date

- (1) Reflects shares of common stock surrendered to the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of restricted stock or stock units.
- (2) Each cash-settled RSU is the economic equivalent of one share of Issuer's common stock.
  - Performance-based restricted stock units granted pursuant to the Career Education Corporation 2008 Incentive Compensation Plan, with
- (3) each unit representing the contingent right to receive one share of Issuer's common stock. The units vest 20% on March 14, 2017, 50% on March 14, 2018 and 30% on March 14, 2019, subject to the achievement of certain performance criteria.
- (4) Includes 47,872 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.
- (5) The remaining cash-settled RSUs vest in one additional installment on March 14, 2017.
- (6) The remaining cash-settled RSUs vest in two additional installments on March 14, 2017 and 2018.
- (7) The remaining cash-settled RSUs vest in three additional installments on March 14, 2017, 2018 and 2019.

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