

#### **GE Council**

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#### **AGENDA**

- I. Greetings and Introductions
- II. Adoption of last meeting's notes [See handout: 2015-03-09 GE Council NOTES Draft.docx]
- III. Information Items
  - A. gtPathways Course Review. 33 courses submitted to be completed by April 17, 2015
  - B. <u>CCHE Policy I, U</u>, which allows American Sign Language courses to be used toward World Language requirements (including HEAR) has been updated and posted to the CDHE website. The changes were minor and corrected the number of units required for World Language to satisfy HEAR.
  - C. <u>ECE & El Ed Agreements:</u> As of April 2015, CCCS will continue to offer MAT 155&156 and SCI 155&156 (MAT sequence is no longer part of gtPathways). CDHE staff chose not to re-open these agreements at this time.
- IV. Discussion/Action Items
  - A. April 24 Fac2Fac proposed agenda [See handout: 2015 Spring F2F Conf AGENDA 2015-04-24(3) DRAFT.docx]
    - A. Messaging/Framing the Discussion
  - B. Revise <u>Institutional Transfer Guides</u> [<u>See handout</u>: <u>Template Institutional</u> <u>Transfer Guide Feedback from UCD.docx</u>]
    - 1. The expectation is that each 4-year institution will complete one of these for each bachelor's degree (that is not the subject of a STAA/DwD), post them and keep them updated on their website, and CDHE will link to each institution's website.
    - 2. Ian met with faculty at CSU and UNC; UCD faculty provided feedback too. We learned some degrees cannot fit the 60+60 model of the Institutional



- Transfer Guides. In these cases, if the student completed the AA or AS, some of the coursework in the AA/AS would not apply to the baccalaureate degree. Solutions?
- C. Proposed SC1 and SC2 Classification Language [See handout: SC1 vs SC2 Feedback from Registrars and Advisors.docx]
- D. Data on Completers in Business and Economics DwD's
  - 1. Recall that DwD's need not contain AA or AS degree requirements. But, are students being advised to fulfill those requirements anyway? Ian chose Oral Communication as a likely course students would be advised to complete. Two DwD's on which we have course level data are Business and Economics and neither of these degrees lists Oral Communication as a required course. [See handout: Business and Economics DwDs.xlsx]
  - 2. Column C: BSTR = Business and ECON = Economics
  - 3. It appears that close to half of students are either choosing or being advised to take Oral Communication even though it's not a degree requirement; however, the students who took Oral Communication have fewer total cumulative credits than those who didn't. Any ideas what's going on?
  - 4. Future data pulls could compare AHUM and SBS course taking by DwD students to see if they're taking courses they don't need for the agreement.
- E. Coding and Reporting DwD Enrollment and Completion in Banner & SURDS
  - 1. CIP codes for all AS 240199 and for all AA 240101, regardless of whether DwD
  - Banner codes for DwD's are used to distinguish (in Banner and SURDS) which DwD the student is enrolled in or has completed [See handout: 2015-04-02 Wiki DwD Approved Uses.docx]
  - 3. Can CCCS, Aims & CMC agree to use and report the same Banner codes and whether AA or AS for future data analysis of DwDs? [See handout: Banner codes for DwDs and AA vs AS.docx]
  - 4. CDHE staff are revising front covers of STAAs to remove community colleges from agreements where the required CCCS coursework cannot be completed at the school or through CCCOnline. CDHE staff are also indicating whether the STAA leads to an AA or AS on the front covers.

## V. ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS

### A. Reconsideration

- 1. Anthropology: ANT 111 changed from SS3 to SC1 and there have been ripple effects [See handout: ANT 111 Compiled Responses.docx]
- 2. Theater DwD history requirement states, "Any one gtPathways Arts & Expression course GT-AH1-in History." Does this mean you would accept a Theater class that focuses on "history," such as THE 211: Development of Theatre: Greek to Renaissance or THE 212: Development of Theatre: Restoration to Modern. Is this too stringent of an interpretation?

Conversely, was the intent to allow any gtAH1 related to history (including ART, MUS, etc.)?

- a) With a AH1 course in the History content area requirement does this STAA fulfill the gtPathways curriculum - no HI1 course? Shouldn't it be a GT-HI1 course?
- b) If faculty agree to change the history requirement, what does that mean for CCCS schools and HLC approval of the DwD?

## B. Phase 1: ICIR

- Fermentation Science [See handout: STAA Fermentation Sciences DRAFT 2015-03-19.docx]
- 2. Agriculture Education (Faculty are working on this one. CDHE is waiting on replies to questions from first draft.)

# C. Phase 0: For Future Planning (Parking Lot)

# 1. Reporting Enrollment & Completion in DwD's, Tracking & Analysis

- a. As of July 27, 2014, enrollment/completion was reported only in the following STAAs/DwDs: Business, CRJ, ECE, Economics, ElEd, Engineering, History, Math, Psych AA & AS, and Spanish.
- b. As of March 23, 2015, the following STAA/DwD's do not have Banner codes in SURDS and, thus, no enrollment or completion can be reported in these degrees: Art History, Biology, Chemistry, English, Horticulture Business Management, Music, Physics, Studio Art and Theater. Engineering should get removed as it is not a DwD?

# 2. **Update Current STAAs**

- a. Revisit gateway math courses to ensure appropriateness. Also, current CCCS AS degree requirements prevent Intro to Stats from fulfilling the math requirement for an AS.
- b. Over the four years of STAA development, some language and general education requirements have changed. Should there be an effort to bring all STAAs into a common, updated, more student-friendly format?

### 3. Science Courses in Current STAAs

a. When the original STAAs were made, the CCCS system had no GT-SC2 (non-lab) science courses, so there was no way to finish the Science requirement in 7 credits. Now that the CCCS system has non-lab GT-SC2 courses, it is possible to complete an associate's with 7 science credits. Older STAAs might benefit from revising these course options?

## 4. Revisions to STAA template

- a. Nomenclature question: degrees with designation v. statewide transfer articulation agreements.
- b. CMC question offering both AA/AS degrees and Bachelor's degrees. Maybe we need to tweak the front page and list CMC with the 4-year institutions. We could change: COLORADO PUBLIC FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION to COLORADO PUBLIC BACCALAUREATE GRANTING INSTITUTIONS

### 5. Associate of APPLIED Science (A.A.S.) DwD's?

a. Since DwD's do not have to align with AA or AS degree requirements; and

- b. Since we've all agreed that only Liberal Arts & Science degrees must contain gtPathways; and
- c. Since \$23-1-108(7)(a) states that STAA/DwD's can be A.A.S. degree;
- d. Then would it make sense to explore, for instance, if we could design a A.A.S. DwD in Nursing, and other DwD A.A.S. degrees? CCCS thinks it's worth exploring.

## A. OTHER BUSINESS?