

GE Council

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AGENDA

- I. GREETINGS & INTRODUCTIONS
- II. Adoption of last meeting's notes **[See handout:** 2016-05-09 GE Council NOTES draft.docx]
- III. INFORMATION ITEMS
- IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS
 - A. STAA/DwD Math Requirements, Next Steps
 - Everyone has confirmed their math requirements and preferences for ANTH, CRJ, GEOG, PSY-BA, and SOC.
 - 2. CDHE believes these changes can be done administratively without going to CEOs and CAOs for signatures again. Thoughts?
 - 3. For this fall: Change math requirement in AHUM agreements from "One GT Pathways Mathematics course (GT-MA1)" to "One GT Pathways Mathematics course (GT-MA1), prefer MAT 120: Mathematics for the Liberal Arts."
 - Art History, Communication, English, French, History, Music, Philosophy, Spanish, Studio Art & Theatre.
 - B. Updated GT Pathways content criteria & competencies timeline:
 - 1. CCHE approved content criteria and competencies June 2, 2016.
 - 2. Content criteria documents are completed and will soon be posted on the website.
 - 3. Competencies are being finalized and will get posted soon.
 - 4. Next: Faculty begins revising GT-CO1, 2 & 3 and GT-MA1 syllabi.
 - **5.** November 3, 2016 afternoon only: ½ day Fac2Fac for GT Pathways syllabus revising/reviewing/or whatever is needed.



- C. Ideas for Review of GT Pathways Revised Syllabi (from last GEC meeting)
 - 1. A training process needs to be developed and the faculty who attended the F2F conferences need to be involved in the training process.
 - 2. New submissions (regardless of content area) need to be integrated in the re-review process.
 - 3. IHEs may choose not to re-submit all courses currently in the GT Pathways curriculum. Criteria for prioritizing/limiting might include:
 - Course must be a general education course;
 - o Course must be offered at least once per year;
 - Course must be part of a STAA/DwD; and/or
 - Course must be required by a major.
 - We could provide an incentive the more volunteers sent from an IHE, the more courses that IHE may submit?
- D. Items on GT Pathways syllabi that should be standard? (feedback from Fac2Fac and last GEC meeting)
 - 1. A standard statement about the course being a GT course could be a reminder to all instructors of all sections that they need to meet the GT requirements. Prevents drift. Last time, GEC voted 70% yes and 30% no.
 - 2. Syllabi need to demonstrate how the SLOs for that content area will be measured.
 - 3. It might be good to have a few *varied* examples of acceptable syllabi and assignments to which faculty could refer. Need to be careful NOT to send the message that they are merely examples and there's no requirement to use those syllabi.
 - 4. It was noted that standard syllabi language might include any federal requirements.
- E. How to Revise GT Pathways Nomination and Review Forms?
 - 1. Revised review forms need to have a section identifying how the course is linked to the specific SLOs for that content area.
 - Any volunteers for a committee to begin revising forms before July GEC meeting?
- F. CCHE Placement Policy Update [See handout: <u>i-parte_cleaned up DRAFT_2016-06-06.</u>]
 - 1. Next step is to record the placement exams and cut scores each institution is using.
- G. PLA Update
 - 1. Updated <u>PLA policy</u> published and sent out with memo on implementation.
 - 2. Next step: Fac2Fac on CLEP & DSST on November 4, 2016.

V. ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS

A. Phase 3 - Draft Agmt/Final IHE Review

- ENVIRONMENTAL HORTICULTURE LANDSCAPE BUSINESS STAA sent to participating schools with cc to GEC on 5/2/16. Deadline: Friday, May 27, 2016. Approved. Moving to Phase 4 procurement of signatures.
- **EQUINE SCIENCE** STAA sent to participating schools with cc to GEC on 5/2/16. Deadline: Friday, May 27, 2016. Approved. Moving to Phase 4 procurement of signatures.

B. English STAA/DwD

- Requires 9 Arts & Humanities credits from GT-AH1, 3 & 4 only, which
 prohibits students from taking AH2 courses with a HUM prefix. Was this
 the intent? Or was it simply to prevent students from taking courses with
 a LIT prefix? Chair of Humanities at ACC wants students to be able to
 take GT-AH2 courses with a HUM prefix.
- All English faculty who responded to a CDHE inquiry regarding this issue responded that it was not their intent to prohibit students from taking Humanities (HUM) courses as an option for fulfilling this Gen Ed section of the STAA. See handout <u>Statewide Transfer Articulation Agreement -</u> <u>ENGLISH - Final Agreement - 2016-06-01 revised.docx</u> for revised language.
- VI. GT PATHWAYS APPROVED COURSES NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES none currently needing GEC review.
- VII. FOR FUTURE PLANNING (PARKING LOT)

A. Fact Sheet for Pre-Collegiate Advisors

Record notes here:

The advantages/disadvantages of AP courses v. Concurrent Enrollment courses.

- CE courses can exclude students from receiving freshman scholarships if they don't get a high grade because they will then have a college transcript with too low of a GPA to qualify.
- CE courses are guaranteed to transfer not necessarily so with AP courses.
- When a STAA exists, there is no need for an IHE-specific transfer guide.

B. Update Current STAAs

1. 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?

C. Science Courses in Current STAAs

1. 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?

D. **GPA Calculation for Transfer Students**

1. Some 4-year institutions recalculate students' community college GPA upon admission.

E. Track Transfer Complaints (quantity, nature of complaint, etc.)

1. Provide regular updates to GEC (every 6 months? every 3 months? once a year?)

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS?