



COLORADO

Department of
Higher Education

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Meeting	Academic Council May 13, 2025 1:00 – 3:00 pm
Location	Remote ONLY
Call-In Information	Join Zoom Meeting Meeting ID: 883 8647 0953 Passcode: 255074
Meeting Participants	Provosts and Chief Academic Officers (CAOs) of the public institutions of higher education
Meeting Objectives	Members advise the Department on policy development and implementation, as well as other matters affecting higher education.

AGENDA

1. Greetings and Introductions
2. Approval of March Meeting Notes
[see handout: 2025-03-11 NOTES-AC.pdf]
3. Announcements and Discussion Items
 - a. Introduction of Brad Griffith, new Senior Director of Academic Pathways and Innovation
 - b. 2025 Colorado Open Educational Resources (OER) Conference (Chealsye Bowley, CDHE)
 - c. [2025 Legislative Session](#) Update
 - d. Standardized fee structure for prior learning assessment reviews (e.g., portfolios, work-based learning, industry credentials, etc.)
 - e. Updates from CCHE Advisor Michael Lightner
 - f. CCHE Advisor position – renewal of Michael Lightner
4. New, modified, and closed programs
 - a. New
 - Adams State University
 - Undergraduate Certificate in Foundational Skills

- Undergraduate Certificate in General Business
- Undergraduate Certificate in Health Care Administration
- Undergraduate Certificate in Pre-Nursing
- Associate of Arts in Social Studies
- Associate of Arts in Studio Art
- Associate of Arts in Theatre
- Associate of Science in General Business
- Associate of Science in Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
- Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology
- Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies – Food Studies
- Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology
- Graduate Certificate in Adams State Health Care Administration
- Graduate Certificate in Business Leadership
- Graduate Certificate in Business Qualitative Skills
- Graduate Certificate in Business Quantitative Skills
- Graduate Certificate in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Sport
- Graduate Certificate in Finance
- Graduate Certificate in Public Administration
- Graduate Certificate in School Counseling
- Graduate Certificate in Teaching of History at the College Level
- Graduate Certificate in TESOL
- Master of Arts in Leadership in Education Administration and Development, Higher Education Administration and Leadership (non-licensure)
- Master of Arts in Leadership in Education Administration and Development, Superintendent License
- Master of Science in Kinesiology Coaching
- Master of Science in Kinesiology Exercise Science
- Master of Science in Kinesiology Sport Administration
- Colorado School of Mines
 - Master of Science in Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage
 - Professional Master's Degree in Computer Science
- Colorado State University
 - Bachelor of Science in Fermentation and Food Science
- Colorado State University Pueblo
 - Undergraduate Certificate in Institute of Cannabis Research – Foundational Studies in Cannabis
- Western Colorado University
 - Undergraduate Certificate in Illustration

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- Undergraduate Certificate in Nonprofit Administration
 - Graduate Certificate in Ecological Analysis
 - Graduate Certificate in Ecosystem Restoration
 - Graduate Certificate in Restorative Facilitation
- b. Modified
- Adams State University
 - Bachelor of Arts in Geology/Earth Science changed to Bachelor of Arts in Geosciences
 - Bachelor of Science in Geology/Earth Science changed to Bachelor of Science in Geosciences
 - Metropolitan State University of Denver
 - Graduate Certificate in Dietetic Internship changed to Graduate Certificate in Coordinated Program
 - University of Colorado Colorado Springs
 - Bachelor of Arts in Human Services changed to Bachelor Arts in Behavioral Health and Human Services
 - Western Colorado University
 - Master of Behavioral Science in Rural Community Health to Master of Behavioral Science
 - Master of Science in High Altitude Exercise Physiology to Master of Science in Applied Exercise Science and Performance
- c. Closed Programs
- Adams State University
 - Bachelor of Arts in Applied Business
 - Bachelor of Arts in Creative Writing
 - Bachelor of Arts in Criminology
 - Bachelor of Arts in Public Relations
 - Bachelor of Science in Applied Mathematics
 - Bachelor of Science in Mathematical Sciences
 - Master of Arts in Art
 - Master of Arts in Humanities
 - Colorado Mesa University
 - Graduate Certificate in Initial Teacher Licensure K-12 Physical Education

ACTION ITEMS

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