

1600 Broadway, Suite 2200 Denver, CO 80202

| Meeting              | General Education Council   |  |
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|                      | June 9, 2025  |  |
|                      | 1:00 – 4:00 pm  |  |
| Location             | Virtual Only  |  |
| Call-In Information  | Join Zoom Meeting   |  |
|                      | Meeting ID: 883 0330 9273   |  |
|                      | Passcode: 745252  |  |
| Meeting Participants | The General Education Council (GE Council) is comprised of representatives from each of the 31 public institutions of higher education, including area technical colleges, local district colleges, and dual mission institutions.  |  |
| Meeting Objectives   | The GE Council is a statutorily created entity (CRS §23-1-108.5(3)(a)) with oversight responsibilities for various statewide transfer initiatives, most prominently GT Pathways and Statewide Transfer Articulation Agreements (STAAs). GE Council typically meets monthly, to carry out different statutory responsibilities assigned by the General Assembly. |  |

#### **AGENDA – NOTES**

- I. GREETINGS & INTRODUCTIONS
  - 1. Welcome (Brad Griffith)
  - 2. Attendance (Christina Carrillo)

In attendance: Wayne Artis (CCCS-PPSC); Lynette Bates (CCCS-TSC); Kelsey Bennett (WCU); Brad Bowers (CCCS-PCC); Morgan Bridge (CMU); Helen Caprioglio (CSUP); Meghan Davis (CCCS-CNCC); Rachelle Davis (CCCS-NJC); Maureen Durkin (CU-SYS); Michael Galchinsky (CSU); Theresa Groff (CCCS-ACC); Chelsea Herasingh (CCCS-OC); Sara Holzberlein (EGTC); Danen Jobe (CCCS); Paul Langston (CCCS-CCA); Mike Lightner (CU-SYS); Pete Lindstrom (CCCS-CCD); Nancy Matchett (UNC); Brooke McKinney (CCCS-FRCC); Beth Myers (CU Denver); Christiane Olivo (CCCS-MCC); Katherine Olson (CSUG); Jessica Peters (CCCS-RRCC); Kathryn Regjo (CMC); Scott Reichel (Aims); Nick Saenz (ASU); Shaun Schafer (MSU Denver); Colin Schneider (CSM); Patrick Tally (CU Boulder);

Susan Taylor (UCCS); Andrew Vidockler (PTC); Michelle Camacho Liu (The Attainment Network); Christina Carrillo (CDHE); Ezekiel Clark (CDHE); Liliana Diaz Soloduhkin (CDHE); Kennedy Evans (CDHE); Brad Griffith (CDHE)

## II. Adoption of last meeting's notes

 [See handout: 2025-05-12-GE Council-NOTES.pdf] Notes approved

#### III. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Colorado Math Pathways Summit: Thursday, June 11 – 8:00-11:00 am Adams 12 Conference Center, Thornton

Brad informed Council members that the Colorado Math Leaders—Pathways Task Force is hosting the Colorado Math Pathways Summit this week at the Adams 12 Conference Center in Thornton. He encouraged Council members to attend to learn more about the work this task force – comprised of both K-12 and higher education professionals – has done to more closely align what success in mathematics courses looks like for students as they progress from secondary to postsecondary education.

### IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

HB25-1038 Postsecondary Credit Transfer Website updates
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Christina provided an update on the statewide credit transfer website. She informed Council members that the bill was signed administratively by Gov. Polis last week. As a reminder, the bill charges the Department with developing, implementing, managing and maintaining a free, publicly accessible online database to provide current and potential students pursuing postsecondary education in Colorado with relevant information to assist them in understanding which credits and courses, work-related experiences, and prior learning opportunities, as awarded postsecondary academic credit, are transferrable to or between state institutions of higher education. She informed Council members that this project is being completed in phases, the first of which began in late March.

The Department is working with a vendor partner in this first phase to move all its current and existing data that is housed on static PDF documents (e.g., AP/IB/DSST credit-by-exam tables; STAA documents; and GT Pathways database) into a more interactive format. Christina provided screenshots of designs from the vendor of what these interactive pages will feature.

2. 2025 AP Reading Tour and updates
Brad provided an overview of a recent trip he and Carl took to Salt Lake City, Utah for an Advanced Placement (AP) Reading tour. He and Carl were able to observe the real-time

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grading of several AP subjects' final exams, such as 2D and 3D Art and Design and Government and Politics. He also briefly discussed two new courses that AP will be piloting this academic year, Cybersecurity and Networking and Business Principles/Personal Finance. Council members engaged in a brief discussion regarding how these new, CTE-based courses would interact with industry-based certifications. Brad suggested inviting a team from College Board to provide a more comprehensive overview of the new courses soon.

- [See handout: 2024 AP State Cohort Report.pdf]
- [See handout: 2024 AP Summary of Scores for Colorado.pdf]
- New offerings:
  - AP Career Kickstart Pilot for fall 2025
    - AP Cybersecurity and Networking
    - AP Business Principles/Personal Finance
- 3. Continued discussion on SB24-164 (60-75 minutes):
  - Review/discuss potential recommendations
     Brad facilitated a discussion with Council members about possible recommendations to the Commission for solutions to improve the transfer of GT Pathways courses. Council members considered themes such as standardizing credit hours, increasing the transparency of course transferability, and improving data and tracking of GT Pathways courses. Council members were able to provide anonymous feedback regarding each of the proposed recommendations via the use of a Mentimeter poll. DHE staff will review the results of the poll we will return to this agenda topic next month to begin finalizing the recommendations for the September CCHE meeting.
- 4. New and closed GT Pathways courses
  - Colorado State University Global Campus
    - GT-CO2: COM 210 Interpersonal Communication (3)
    - GT-CO2: COM 215 Intercultural Communication (3)
       Christina informed Council members that DHE staff expressed concern regarding the proposed GT Pathways content area for the two courses that are highlighted. Council members reviewed the sample syllabi for the courses and agreed that the courses would be better aligned with the GT-SS3 category than GT-CO2. CSUG agreed to revise their submission for GT-SS3 and resubmit accordingly.
    - GT-CO3: COM 303 Professional Communications (3)
  - Closed (Withdrawn from GTP but may still be offered at IHE)
    - None
  - Closed (No longer offered at IHE)

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### None

# **ACTION ITEMS**

| Issue          | Action / Next Step   | Assigned To & Date Assigned  |
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| STAA (Physics) | Reach out to individual IHEs for clarification on additional required courses (Computer Science I and General College Chemistry II w/laboratory) requirement | <ul> <li>Assigned to DHE staff (Christina)</li> <li>To be completed in January 2025</li> </ul> |
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