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Higher Education

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Meeting	Academic Council August 11, 2026 1:00 – 3:00 pm
Location	Remote ONLY
Call-In Information	Join Zoom Meeting Meeting ID: 826 7604 1900 Passcode: 631126
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 July Meeting Notes
[see handout: 2026-07-14 NOTES-AC.pdf]
3. Announcements and Discussion Items
 - a. Updates from CCHE Advisor Michael Lightner
 - b. [Postsecondary Talent Development System Transition Advisory Committee \(TAC\)](#) updates
 - c. Transfer initiatives update (Carl Einhaus)
 - Higher Education Transfer Audit
 - CCHE Transfer Subcommittee
 - Review [proposed revisions for CCHE Policy I, Part L: Statewide Transfer and GT Pathways](#) and [CCHE Policy I, Part X: Prior Learning Assessment](#)
 - d. Mental Health Training for Faculty and Staff
 - e. Institutional check-in (off-record) – Open forum for institutions to share campus updates. *Note: The meeting recording will conclude prior to this discussion.*

4. New, modified, and closed programs

a. New

- Community College of Aurora
 - Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Health: Mental Health and Wellness
- Community College of Denver
 - Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Health: Mental Health and Wellness
- Pikes Peak State College
 - Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Health: Mental Health and Wellness
- Pueblo Community College
 - Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Health: Mental Health and Wellness
- Red Rocks Community College
 - Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Health: Mental Health and Wellness
 - Bachelor of Applied Science in Echocardiography

b. Modified

- Community College of Aurora
 - Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Health changed to Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Health: Addiction Recovery
- Community College of Denver
 - Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Health changed to Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Health: Addiction Recovery
- Pikes Peak State College
 - Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Health changed to Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Health: Addiction Recovery
- Pueblo Community College
 - Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Health changed to Bachelor of Applied Science in Behavioral Health: Addiction Recovery
- University of Colorado Colorado Springs
 - Bachelor of Science in Health Care Science changed to Bachelor of Science in Health and Wellness

c. Closed Programs

- Colorado State University
 - Bachelor of Science in Environmental Health
 - Bachelor of Science in Fermentation Science
 - Bachelor of Science in Microbiology

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- Bachelor of Science in Watershed Science

ACTION ITEMS

Issue	Action / Next Step	Assigned To & Date Assigned

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