



GE Council

October 7, 2013, 1:00-4:00pm
Department of Higher Education
1560 Broadway – Suite 1600
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AGENDA

- I. Greetings and Introductions
- II. Adoption of last meeting's notes – [*see handout: 2013-09-09 -- GE Council - Draft MINUTES*]
- III. Information Items

- A. Question raised last meeting about HLC's requirements for Prior Learning Assessment. Ian inquired. HLC responded by pointing out the following link and criteria for accreditation (<http://www.ncahlc.org/Information-for-Institutions/criteria-and-core-components.html>)

The Criteria for Accreditation and Core Components

Criterion Four. Teaching and Learning: Evaluation and Improvement

Core Components

4.A. The institution demonstrates responsibility for the quality of its educational programs.

2. The institution evaluates all the credit that it transcripts, including what it awards for experiential learning or other forms of prior learning.

- Not surprisingly, HLC's guidance is vague. That's because it's not the job of accreditors to advance innovation. That's the job of the institutions. HLC needs your institutions as much as your institutions need HLC. HLC is willing to work with your institutions on innovative practices so show them the way!

IV. Action Items

- A. CCHE Policy I, L: Statewide Transfer Policy [*see handout: i-partl_revision_2013-10-07_IKM.docx*]
This policy revision is almost done!! Just a few more tweaks. Please pay particular attention to:
 - Section 5.03.11

- For Aims CC, are we okay with footnote #11?
- Section 7.00, Table 1. Is this helpful?
- Section 8.04. Please help with this language.

B. Supplemental “Degree Completion and Transfer Guide...” [*see handout: i-partl_Degree Completion and Transfer Guide for Colorado 2013-10-07.docx*]

- The concept behind this guide was to create a “one pager” that is more accessible than the entire policy.
- Does this guide need to be tweaked to include adult learners (especially those returning with some college credit) or should we create a separate guide for them?

C. CHEM 281 – Notification of Changes – does this course need to be re-reviewed? [*See handouts: 1) Notification of Changes Form; 2) Nomination form – CHEM 281; 3) Syllabus – CHEM 281; 4) Nomination form – CHEM 281L; and 5) Syllabus – CHEM 281L.*]

V. ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS

A. **Phase 4: Procurement of Signatures - NONE**

B. **Phase 3: Final Review**

1. **Geography** – V.1 (GEC-only review) sent 9/12/13 to GEC; deadline 9/27/13. Will move to V.2 – final *campus* review.
2. **Geology** – V.2 (final institutional review) sent 9/12/13 to GEC; deadline 10/4/13. Still need to hear from CMC, UCB, and WSCU.
3. **Philosophy** – V.1 (GEC-only review) sent to GEC on 9/13/13, deadline 9/27/13. Still need to hear from Looney, Pickering, and Nishikawa.

C. **Phase 2: ICIR**

1. **Chemistry** – V.2 sent to GEC on 9/9/13; deadline 10/4/13. Some concerns have been raised by CSU-FC, CSU-P, and UNC. These concerns will be considered John Lanning and Martha Carter-Jackson and brought to the GEC, if necessary.
2. **Communication** – V.3, 2013-08-12, incorporates changes requested at August GEC meeting. V.3 sent to GEC 9/6/13; deadline 9/27/13. Still need to hear from CMC, CSU-FC, MSUD, and UCB.
3. **English** – UNC indicated they could make V.2a work. Still need to hear from UCB.

D. **Phase 1: Curriculum Worksheet Creation & Verification**

1. **Art History** – agreement will move to Phase 2.
2. **Biology** – DHE has arranged a meeting for Friday, October 11, 9:00-11:00 at FRCC. This group will discuss what a more “inquiry-based” online lab would look like. Meeting participants will include CSU, CU campuses, 2 CCCS faculty, Rhonda Epper, Norma Hollebecke, DHE staff.
3. **Physics** – agreement will move to Phase 2.
4. **Music** – CWS is now verified and will move to the next step of Phase 1.
5. **Studio Art** – agreement will move to Phase 2
6. **Theatre** – CWS is now verified and will move to the next step of Phase 1.

E. **Phase 0: For Future Planning**

1. **Engineering** – DHE to convene a small group of Civil and Mechanical Engineering reps from MSU Denver, CSM, CSU-P, CSU-FC, UCB, UCCS, and UCD to consider if STAAs in mechanical and civil engineering would be possible. Engineering STAAs will not be considered at the F2F. Prior to the meeting, schools will send their engineering degree requirements to DHE (Maia sent email 8/16 to all campuses with civil or mechanical engineering degrees requesting this info). DHE will disseminate these materials to all for review prior to the meeting. Ian pulled April 1, 2004 CCHE agenda and minutes regarding credit waiver discussion for engineering degrees. Will also need to address requirement of completing engineering degrees in 4 years.
Still need to hear from UCB.
2. **ECE & ELED** – These may need some revising once some 4-year institutions have created their new bachelor's degrees in ECE and ELED. The state has money to revisit ECE in 2014.
3. **Physical Anthropology** - There is a discrepancy across 2-yr and 4-yr institutions as to whether a physical/biological anthropology course should be SS3 or SC2. (This came up at the Spring 2013 gtPathways review. Maybe a good topic for a future Fac2Fac?).
4. **Music Education**
5. **Mass Communication**

VI. Other Business?