



GE Council

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Department of Higher Education

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AGENDA

- I. GREETINGS & INTRODUCTIONS
- II. Adoption of last meeting's notes [\[See handout: 2016-10-10 - GE Council - NOTES - Draft\]](#)
- III. INFORMATION ITEMS
 - A. December 12, 2016 GE Council meeting will be 10:00AM - 12:00PM because the Constituent Review Team (PLA policy work) will meet following that to consider faculty's recommendations regarding CLEP & DSST from the November 4 Fac2Fac.
 - B. Separate registrations for lecture and lab science courses problem resolved. Affected institutions agree to code lectures as GT-SC2 and labs as GT-SC1, if they don't already (CMU, CSU-Pueblo, MSU Denver, UCCS, UNC, WSCU).
- IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS
 - A. Debrief webinars completed October 26, 27 & 28 on new GT Pathways course approval process. Recorded webinar linked at:
Webinar: <https://enetlearning.adobeconnect.com/p3bigzcnzg/>
 - B. Role of GE Council in the New GT Pathways Approval/Review Process
 - C. Debrief Nov. 3 Fac2Fac and Nov. 4 CLEP & DSST Conferences
 - D. Prior Learning Assessment Policy Update
Non-standardized amounts of credit in [AP & IB tables](#) causing transfer problems. [\[See handout: student complaint re AP credit.pdf\]](#). Potential solutions:
 1. Standardize amounts of credits by going with the highest amount of credit any one institution awards; or



2. Make explicit in PLA and GT Pathways/Transfer policies that receiving institutions will honor the decisions/credit awarded of the sending institutions.
3. Relatedly, can we add to the tables the other [AP](#) and [IB](#) exams that could qualify for GT Pathways credit?

“Last, one of the main goals directing this work is to ensure that PLA credits earned at one public institution will be accepted in transfer and apply to equivalent general education requirements at any receiving public institution and to unify equivalently applied cut scores for major and elective credit to the greatest extent possible.” – last sentence of summary of CCHE’s approved process for a PLA policy. CCHE meeting May 8, 2015, Agenda Item 5A

E. Upper-Division Coursework in GT Pathways

GE Council “...shall recommend to the commission a list of general education courses to be included in the course numbering system. In identifying said general education courses, the council shall review the course descriptions, and may request summaries of course syllabi for review, focusing first on lower division general education courses.” [23-1-108.5(3)(c)(I), C.R.S.]

- CDHE interprets this to mean that upper-division courses are not prohibited from being in GT Pathways. But, if GE Council decides that upper-division courses should not be allowed, then the Commission has the authority to enforce that.

V. FOR FUTURE PLANNING (PARKING LOT)

A. 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?

B. GPA Calculation for Transfer Students

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

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

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

VI. OTHER BUSINESS?