

**GE 25 Council
December 11, 2006**

MEETING MINUTES

NOTE: *The October 2007 meetings for Academic Council and GE 25 Council were combined; the GE 25 Council did not have a November 2007 meeting.*

Meeting Attendees:

R. "Nish" Nishikawa, CU-B; John Cooney, CU system; John Lanning, UCDHSC; John Sowell, WSC; Jeff Reynolds, AIMS; Wayne Artis, PPCC; Tom Smith, UNC; Roger Carver, CCD; Alan Lamborn, CSU-FC; Russ Meyer, CSU-P; Michel Dahlin, CSU System; Steve Roderick, FLC;

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Rita Beachem gave a brief update on gtPathways webpage revisions. The following recommendations were made with regard to the web page and changes/revisions:

Integrated Transfer Hours need to be provided explicitly at the website.

The issue of posting effective dates and end dates (for courses in the gtPathways curriculum) was discussed; however, no decision was made. This issue will be discussed at future meetings.

It was decided that some dates at the website would not be posted for public consumption; rather, they would be available for viewing by administrative campus personnel only.

Vicki and Rita agreed to review the actual approval dates for courses to ensure accuracy. The CCHE work-study employee will work on this issue, (as it is very time intensive). It was further noted that the dates need to be "cleaned up". The AA staff will continue to work on this.

It was further agreed that the "old" foreign language courses (those approved prior to the addition of the 4th subcategory within Arts and Humanities) would be formally moved to the AHUM, Foreign Language category.

There was additional discussion on how Lab Sci courses (SC1 and SC2) should be both nominated and listed on the web page for gtPathways. Additionally, the question remains, "How should these courses be transcribed?" It was recommended that degree audits and Banner need to be considered when thinking about the transcription of the Science courses. These issues will be discussed in more depth over the course of the next several months.

Results for the gtPathways review cycle V, rounds I and II, held on September 22, 2006 and November 9, 2006 were shared with the GE 25 Council.

A brief overview of the October 13, 2006 Faculty to Faculty Conference was provided, (specifically, Vicki presented a re-cap of the content group discussions held on the 13th).

Finally, the gtPathways reviews, Cycle V, Rounds III and IV were discussed (they're scheduled for February 9, 2007 and April 12, 2007 – a Thursday, however GE 25 Council unanimously decided to change the Thursday review to Friday April 13, 2007). A venue has not been selected; however, Vicki's asking for a ball park count of courses and reviewers so that the appropriate venue might be chosen. Money was lost on this semester's reviews when the numbers of faculty and courses nominated fell well below estimates, (causing the CCHE to lose money on more expensive venues/catering which had been originally secured to accommodate higher numbers (of course nominations and faculty reviewers). CCHE does not want to end up in the same situation next spring.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

How the transfer of CO2 + Advanced writing is handled was discussed. CSU-FC suggested two different options for completing the CO category, (given their current campus configuration).

Alan Lamborn recommended the following scenarios:

CO1 and CO2 or CO2 and Advanced "CO3"

All GE 25 members present at the meeting agreed that intermediate and Advanced writing could be successfully integrated into modifying the statewide transfer policy and the gtPathways current curriculum to include the Intermediate + Advanced writing option.

Vicki will take the modifications to the Feb 2007 meeting of the Commission as an action item (seeking formal approval from the Commissioners).

The following questions were posed by Nish and discussed, (outcome of discussion in listed in italics):

1. Is the lower-division core waiver only applicable to students who complete the AA or AS degree? We get students who have completed a four-year degree at a Colorado public four-year institution who then want to pursue a second undergraduate degree. Was the intent for these students also to receive a lower-division core waiver? **GE 25 Council response:** *Yes/Yes*
2. How do we determine eligibility for the lower-division core waiver? Is it based on the date of their enrollment in a four-year institution, the student's date of completion of their AA/AS degree, the start date for their enrollment in an AA/AS

degree program, or some combination of these? **GE 25 Council response:**
Institutional prerogative.

3. What is the expected application of courses that are taken as part of the professional articulation agreements in education, business, and engineering and the receiving institutions core or general education requirements? We have been told that the articulation agreements "trump" the core, but what does this mean exactly? What happens to this articulation if the student changes their degree program? **GE 25 response:** *All bets are off, and the student should be notified of this formally, in writing.*

It was agreed that perhaps these questions should be posted at the gtPathways website, under FAQs.

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING: February 12, 2007 (There will not be a meeting in January 2007).