

General Education Council
September 14, 2020 - 1:00 - 4:00pm
Colorado Department of Higher Education
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AGENDA -- NOTES

I. GREETINGS & INTRODUCTIONS (1:00-1:05pm)

1. Welcome (Chris Rasmussen)
2. Attendance (Christina Carrillo)

In attendance: Janice Aanenson (CAEL); Wayne Artis (CFAC-PPCC); Joann Brennan (CU Denver); Darcy Briggs (CCCS-ACC); Helen Caprioglio (CSUP); Linda Comeaux (CCCS-RRCC); Tony Contento (CSUG); Margaret Doell (ASU); Maureen Durkin (CU System); Melanie Hulbert (WCU); Alex Ilysova (UCCS); Danen Jobe (CCCS); Lori Kester (Mines); Carol Kuper (CCCS-MCC-SFCC); Calandra Lockhart (CCCS-OJC); Jeff London (CFAC-MSU Denver); Kelly Long (CSU); Melissa Martin (CCCS); Nancy Matchett (UNC); Barry Nickerson (CAEL); Aparna Palmer (CMU); Kathryn Regjo (CMC); Scott Reichel (Aims); Beez Schell (CMC); Shaun Schafer (MSU Denver); Patrick Tally (CU Boulder); Christina Carrillo (CDHE); Beverly Jones (CDHE); Kim Poast (CDHE); Chris Rasmussen (CDHE)

II. Adoption of last meeting's notes (1:05-1:10pm)

1. [\[See handout: 2020-08-10- GE Council - NOTES.pdf\]](#)
Notes approved

III. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Updates (and thank you!) on:
 - Re-submission of GT Pathways courses (following 2016 revision to GT Pathways content criteria and competencies)
2. October meeting scheduled for the 5th, which is now Frances Xavier Cabrini Day in Colorado
 - Colorado recently announced that Columbus Day would no longer be a state holiday and that state offices would now be open on October 12. GE Council's 2020 meeting schedule was set in November 2019 with the October 5 date in anticipation of the state holiday.



- Considering this development, CDHE staff asked GE Council members if they would prefer to move the meeting back to the original October 12 date or keep the meeting scheduled as is for October 5. Council agreed to keep the meeting scheduled as is.

IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. All things COVID-19 and other challenges of our times...
 - General reports/observations/bright spots?
 - Many Council members reported their faculty, staff, and students are feeling overwhelmed and exhausted. Mental health has become a concern for many.
 - The stress has evolved into trauma for many; “the traumatized brain is not amenable to learning”
 - CDHE “Return to Campus” Guidance and other guidance (CDHPE, CDE, county/local authorities) - questions/clarifications?
 - Movement for social justice and planning for fall
 - Discussion about the interconnectedness of issues centering on social justice, empathy, and humanity
2. Report of September 3 CCHE business meeting
 - There were no academic affairs items on the agenda; largest amount of time was devoted to continued discussions on the funding formula, along with a supplemental appropriation to address funding gap for an academic building at MSU Denver
3. Upper division courses and GT Pathways - consensus?
 - Continued conversation from last month.
 - Current statute on this is vague. Would it be possible to make it part of CCHE policy as opposed to making a statutory change?
4. Fac2Fac Conference scheduled for October 23
 - Would be a virtual conference, natch
 - Suggested pause in schedule of STAA review/revision
 - How best to use the conference to best meet the needs of faculty right now?
 - Alternative dates or postponement?
 - Consensus from members was to postpone Faculty-to-Faculty conferences this semester, if not for the entire 2020-21 academic year.
 - Overwhelming sense of fatigue amongst faculty members; Council members do not feel they can ask faculty to do “one more thing” right now, given the current circumstances.
5. Proposed plan to complete review/revision of STAAs from AY19-20
 - There are 15 STAAs from Fall 2019 and Spring 2020 that need to be finalized.

- The plan is to reconvene these faculty groups via Zoom calls over the course of the fall semester to affirm one of two options:
 - No changes are needed
 - Modifications are needed and require ongoing conversations
 - Would Spring 2021 be a better time to review these 15 STAAs?
6. Proposal for a standing stakeholder group for academic advisors (tentative name: CDHE Council of Academic Advisors)
 7. HB20-1002 implementation progress update - presentation from the Council for Adult and Experiential Learning (2:00 p.m.)
 8. Update on CCCS Common Course Numbering System (CCNS)
 - CCCS has reviewed feedback regarding the CCNS renumbering project and has decided to extend the deadline for this project to September 30, 2021.
 - Their CIP code and program realignment project is continuing, as planned.
 9. New and closed GT Pathways courses

New

Fort Lewis College

- GT-AH2: ENGL 177 U.S. LatinX Literature (3)
- GT-CO2: COMP 254 Writing in the Disciplines (3)
- GT-SC2: HS 200 Introduction to Nutrition (3)
- GT-SS3: HS 210 Nutrition and Culture (3)

Metropolitan State University of Denver

- GT-SS3: SOC 1080 Love and Family in East Asia (3)

Closed

None

Reminder: GT PATHWAYS - Roll-out of new requirements.

1) Course submission forms posted here:

<http://highered.colorado.gov/Academics/Transfers/> . Go to GT Pathways section; click on folder icon at “Submission/Verification Forms” bullet.

The timeline for re-submission of GT Pathways courses is as follows:

Due Date	GT Pathways Content Areas & Courses
February 28, 2017	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written Communication • Mathematics TOTAL: ~160 courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GT-CO1: ~14 courses • GT-CO2: ~26 courses • GT-CO3: ~20 courses • GT-MA1: ~100 courses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Math for Liberal Arts/Quant Reasoning: ~16 courses ○ Stats (& Probability): ~9 courses ○ College Algebra: ~15 courses

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pre-calc & Calculus I, II, III: ~41 courses ○ Trig (&Analytic Geometry): ~6 courses ○ Finite: ~3 courses
<p>May 15, 2017</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural & Physical Science w/Lab <p>TOTAL: ~169 courses</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GT-SC1: ~169 courses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ BIO: ~48 courses ○ CHEM: ~46 courses ○ PHYS: ~75 courses
<p>November 24, 2017</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural & Physical Science w/Lab (continued) and Natural & Physical Science - lecture only <p>TOTAL: ~143 courses</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GT-SC1: ~33 courses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ GEOG: ~5 courses ○ GEOL: ~22 courses ○ Other (meteorology, oceanography, etc.): ~6 • GT-SC2: ~110 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ BIO: ~16 courses ○ CHEM: ~19 courses ○ PHYS: ~14 courses ○ GEOG: ~1 course ○ GEOL: ~14 courses ○ ASTRONOMY: ~12 courses ○ ENV: ~10 courses ○ Other (meteorology, oceanography, etc.): ~6 courses
<p>May 15, 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arts & Expression • Ways of Thinking <p>TOTAL: ~164 courses</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GT-AH1: ~104 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ART: ~36 courses ○ MUS: ~30 courses ○ THE: ~23 courses ○ DANCE: ~5 courses • GT-AH3: ~60 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PHI: ~49 courses ○ REL: ~10 courses
<p>November 24, 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Literature & Humanities • World Languages <p>TOTAL: ~176 courses</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GT-AH2: ~114 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What are the right categories to put here? • GT-AH4: ~62
<p>May 15, 2019</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • History • Economic or Political Systems <p>TOTAL: ~222 courses</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GT-HI1: ~146 courses (all HIS) • GT-SS1: ~76 courses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ECON: ~33 courses ○ POL: ~29 courses
<p>November 24, 2019</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geography • Human Behavior, Culture, or Social Frameworks <p>TOTAL: ~188 courses</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GT-SS2: ~23 courses (all GEOG) • GT-SS3: ~165 courses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ANT: ~28 courses ○ SOC: ~41 courses ○ Women's, LGBT and Gender Studies: ~20 courses (a little overlap with SOC & PSY) ○ PSY: ~30 courses

Please note this timeline is flexible and CDHE will allow for individual institutions' time constraints and other specific circumstances. Eligible Courses must be part of the institution's general education core and must be offered at least once every two years (for Colorado Community College System, course can be offered anywhere in the system). Courses can be submitted on the forms provided at <http://higher.ed.colorado.gov/Academics/Transfers/> under "GT Pathways" and in the folder labeled "Submission/Verification Forms."