

General Education Council
October 5, 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: Wayne Artis (CFAC-PPCC); Helen Caprioglio (CSU-P); Linda Comeaux (CCCS-RRCC); Tony Contento (CSU-G); Charlie Couch (UNC); Margaret Doell (ASU); Melanie Hulbert (WCU); Alex Ilyasova (UCCS); Danen Jobe (CCCS); Lori Kester (Mines); Carol Kuper (CCCS-MCC-SFCC); Calandra Lockhart (CCCS-OJC); Jeff London (CFAC-MSU Denver); Kelly Long (CSU); Nancy Matchett (UNC); Peter McCormick (FLC); Aparna Palmer (CMU); Kathryn Regjo (CMC); Scott Reichel (Aims); Beez Schell (CMC); Shaun Schafer (MSU Denver); Patrick Tally (CU Boulder); Shelley Banker (CDHE); Christina Carrillo (CDHE); Kim Poast (CDHE); Chris Rasmussen (CDHE)

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

1. [\[See handout: 2020-09-14- GE Council - NOTES.pdf\]](#)
Notes approved

III. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Updates (and thank you!) on:
 - o Re-submission of GT Pathways courses (following 2016 revision to GT Pathways content criteria and competencies)

IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. All things COVID-19 and other challenges of our times....
 - General reports/observations/bright spots?
 - o Kim announced that this week's (October 6) call had been canceled as there were no new significant updates to report. An email was sent out this morning to notify every one of the cancelation. We will resume in two weeks (October 20).
 - CDHE "Return to Campus" Guidance and other guidance (CDHPE, CDE, county/local authorities) - questions/clarifications?



- Kim reported that some may have received a new COVID tracking sheet from either CDHE or CDPHE. This is a quick survey about weekly on-campus COVID cases. The survey will likely come from Inta.
 - Movement for social justice and planning for fall
2. Proposed addition of Metropolitan State University of Denver to Business STAA (four new emphases areas: Entrepreneurship, Global Business Studies, Banking, and International Business)
 - MSU Denver may not have participated in the original drafting of the Business STAA in 2010-2011. While MSU Denver is already a participating institution to the existing agreement, their faculty have developed additional emphases areas to their Business bachelor's degree that they would like to have added.
 - A public comment period will open after this meeting. Email will go out to Academic Council members to solicit any feedback from faculty of Business STAA.
 3. Current and proposed cultural competency curricular requirements (2:00 p.m.)
 - Shelley Banker of CDHE joined GE Council for a discussion on equity initiatives and the landscape on adding or enhancing cultural competency and social justice components to the curriculum. There is movement in some states (e.g., Oregon) and some higher ed systems (e.g., Cal State) to require courses in these areas. Some Colorado institutions are embedding these topics into existing courses, including intercultural understanding in GT-SS3 courses.
 4. Proposed revisions to CCHE Policy I, L to clarify that GT Pathways is exclusive to lower-division courses
 - Chris presented a draft of revisions to the policy reflecting the interest of GE Council to clarify the lower-division nature of GT Pathways. Council noted that CO-3 courses should be an exception, as many of these courses are listed at the 300/3000 level.
 - The proposed revisions include adding a definition for "Prior Learning Assessment". Council suggested that the definition be revised to say "evaluation of learning using faculty approved practices..."
 5. Proposed revisions to CCHE Policy I, X, to clarify that "portfolio review" includes faculty assessment of courses taken at institutions that are not Colorado public colleges and universities
 - The proposed revision of the policy adds "performance in a course taken at another institution" as one form of prior learning. Discussion ensued about how institutions evaluate courses from other institutions that are on a transcript, specifically courses taken at private institutions and public institutions in other states. Some institutions require original transcripts, even if the courses were transferred into a Colorado public institution and credit was awarded for GT Pathways. It was suggested

that this was required by HLC. Chris suggested that learning evaluated by faculty at a Colorado IHE and transcribed as fulfilling GT Pathways requirements should not be re-evaluated when a student transfers to another Colorado IHE, and that courses taken should not be evaluated different from other forms of prior learning, such as through portfolio review. It was noted that transcript evaluation is usually done by the registrar's office and faculty often are not closely involved, as they would be with other forms of prior learning assessment. Chris said he would consult with HLC on the issue of evaluation of original transcripts.

6. New and closed GT Pathways courses

New

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- GT-AH1: ASIA 248 Asian Musical Culture (3)
- GT-AH1: MIND 281 Modernity in Asia (3)
- GT-AH2: ASIA 216 South and Southeastern Asian Literature (3)
- GT-AH2: ENG 206 Regional Mythologies (3)
- GT-AH2: ENG 250 Introduction to Shakespeare (3)
- GT-SC1: BIO 111 Biology: Organisms to Ecosystems (4)
- GT-SC2: ESCI 101 Earth's Climate Systems (4)
- GT-SC2: ESCI 150 Our Violent Earth (3)
- GT-SS3: CHIN 116 Introduction to Chinese Civilization (3)
- GT-SS3: GNDR 240 Gender, Race, Class, and Sexuality (3) - cross listed with SOC 240
- GT-SS3: GNDR 285 Gender in the Contemporary Global Order (3)
- GT-SS3: SOC 240 Gender, Race, Class, and Sexuality (3) - cross listed with GNDR 240

Closed

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- GT-SS1: ECON 101 Understanding the Contemporary Economy (3)

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

- 1) Course submission forms posted [here](#): 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 ○ Pre-calc & Calculus I, II, III: ~41 courses

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 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 [here](#) under "GT Pathways" and in the folder labeled "Submission/Verification Forms."