

General Education Council
January 10, 2022 - 1:00 - 4:00pm
Colorado Department of Higher Education
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AGENDA -- NOTES

I. GREETINGS & INTRODUCTIONS

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

In attendance: Wayne Artis (CFAC-PPCC); Dennis Becker (DU); Kelsey Bennett (WCU); Joann Brennan (UCD); Morgan Bridge (CMU); Helen Caprioglio (CSU-P); Federico Chavez (CCCS); Charlie Couch (UNC); Vibhuti Dave (CSM); Margaret Doell (ASU); Maureen Durkin (CU System); Camden Farmer (MSU-D); Betsy Griffin (Gardner); Gus Greivel (CSM); Alex Ilyasova (UCCS); Danen Jobe (CCCS); Carol Kuper (CCCS-MCC-SFCC); Mike Lightner (CU System); Jeff London (CFAC-MSU-D); Kelly Long (CSU); Nancy Matchett (UNC); Linda Merkl (CCCS-NJC); Chad Middleton (CMU); Ruthanne Orihuela (CCCS-CCD); Brittany Pearce (CSU); Scott Reichel (Aims); Stefan Richarz (DEAN); Shaun Schafer (MSU-D); Audra Spicer (CSU-G); Patrick Tally (UCB); Chris Tombari (CCCS-CCA); Bruce Vandal (SHEEO/Gardner); Cathy Brigham (College Board); Suzanne McGurk (College Board); Natasha Vasavada (College Board); Christina Carrillo (CDHE); Sam Fogleman (CDHE); Brittany Lane (CDHE); Roberto Montoya (CDHE); Kim Poast (CDHE); Chris Rasmussen (CDHE); Michael Vente (CDHE)

II. Adoption of last meeting's notes

1. **[See handout: 2021-12-13- GE Council - NOTES.pdf]**
Notes approved

III. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Thank you to Adams State University for completing their re-submission of GT Pathways courses!

IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. SHEEO/Gardner Institute Transfer Policy Project Task Force (1:00-2:30 pm)
2. New AP courses from College Board and relationship to GT Pathways (Suzanne McGurk, Cathy Brigham, Natasha Vasavada)
 - a. African American Studies (2023-24)



- b. Pre-Calculus (2023-24)
- c. Anatomy & Physiology (2024-25)
- d. Business Principles (2024-25)

Guests from the College Board provided information on four new courses in development, focusing on the first two courses scheduled for launch in 2023: Pre-Calculus and African American Studies. The Pre-Calculus course will be geared primarily to students who don't have access to a calculus course at their high school. The GE Council/statewide faculty group will have the opportunity to review the course curriculum and learning outcomes and affirm alignment with the MA-1 category of GT Pathways.

The African American Studies course is interdisciplinary so it could align with one or more GT Pathways categories in the Arts and Humanities, Social Sciences, and potentially History. Concerns were expressed about the potential for enrollments in the AP course to displace enrollments in similar courses at colleges and universities. It was suggested that students who take the AP course may want to take additional African American courses in college, so institutions could see a net increase in enrollments. College Board staff said this has been observed with other AP courses that were introduced in recent years (AP courses do not displace college enrollments in related courses). Cathy Brigham from College Board said she is open to looking at data on how this has played out in Colorado.

Chris asked for volunteers to meet and discuss how to proceed with the tasks of curricular review and determining potential alignment with GT Pathways, including consideration of potential GT Pathways categories. College Board staff said faculty would have access to skill and learning objectives for every topic, description of exam sections, and sample questions. College Board staff said that their initial review of GT Pathways content criteria and competencies suggests that the course will align primarily with the social science categories.

Wayne Artis, Shaun Schaefer, and Patrick Tally volunteered.

- 3. Fac2Fac conference update: Friday, February 18
 - a. AP African American Studies curriculum review for GT Pathways
 - b. IB Maths curriculum changes and updated course equivalencies
 - c. Biology STAA - consider second agreements
 - d. HB20-1002 industry certifications review for GT Pathways

The group suggested a time for the conference that is mid-morning to mid-afternoon, potentially 10:00 to 2:30.

- 4. STAA review update
 - a. Elementary Education
 - b. Business

This was not discussed due to running out of time.

5. New and closed GT Pathways courses

New
None

Closed
None