

**General Education Council**  
**November 7, 2022 - 1:00 - 4:00pm**  
Colorado Department of Higher Education  
Remote ONLY

To join the webinar: [Join Zoom Meeting](#)  
Meeting ID: 868 4641 1570  
Passcode: 902367

**AGENDA -- NOTES**

**I. GREETINGS & INTRODUCTIONS**

1. Welcome (Chris Rasmussen)
2. Attendance (Christina Carrillo)  
Wayne Artis (CFAC-PPSC); Lynette Bates (CCCS-TSC); Juliet Beckman (CCCS-ACC); Eric Bliss (CSU-G); Morgan Bridge (CMU); Erica Buckland Anderson (MSU Denver); Helen Caprioglio (CSU-P); Kristen Cusack (CCCS-CCA); Margaret Doell (ASU); Maureen Durkin (CU-SYS); Camden Farmer (MSU Denver); Brandon Feres (CCCS-CCA); Dave Hamlett (Regis); Alex Ilyasova (UCCS); Danen Jobe (CCCS); Mike Lightner (CU-SYS); Jeff London (CFAC-MSU Denver); Kelly Long (CSU); Nancy Matchett (UNC); Beth Myers (CU Denver); Aparna Palmer (CCCS-FRCC); Kathryn Regjo (CMC); Scott Reichel (Aims); George Rus (UCCS); Audra Spicer (CSU-G); Patrick Tally (CU Boulder); Susan Young (CCCS-CCA); Betsy Griffin (Gardner Institute); Bruce Vandal (Bruce Vandal Consulting); Christina Carrillo (CDHE); Ruthanne Orihuela (CDHE); Kim Poast (CDHE); Chris Rasmussen (CDHE); Michael Vente (CDHE)

**II. Adoption of last meeting's notes**

1. [\[See handout: 2022-09-12- GE Council - NOTES.pdf\]](#)  
Notes approved

**III. INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Proposed meeting schedule for 2023

January 9	July 10
February 13	August 14
March 13	September 11
April 10	October 9
May 8	November 13
June 12	December 11

Christina will send out calendar invitations later this week.

**IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

1. SHEEO/Gardner Institute State Transfer Policy Project (1:00-2:30 pm)



- This was the quarterly meeting of the project task force, which is the GE Council plus other invited members.
2. Colorado Open Education Resources Request for Proposals (RFP) - 2022-2023 year
    - The Colorado Open Educational Resources Grant RFP for the 2022-2023 year is now live. The OER grant program will fund three types of grants - individual or small group grants, institutional grants, or collaborative or partnership grants - with a total allocation of \$1M for this grant cycle. The deadline for an institution, faculty, or staff to submit a proposal for consideration is Monday, December 19.
  3. Proposed addition of Metropolitan State University of Denver (MSU Denver) to the Statewide Transfer Articulation Agreement (STAA) in Psychology (AS/BS)
    - MSU Denver did not originally sign onto this agreement when it was developed in 2011 - Erica Buckland Anderson, representing the institution, noted their Psychology curriculum has evolved since the creation of both the AA/BA and AS/BS STAAs. MSU Denver now only offers a BS in Psychology; however, the faculty has affirmed both the AA/BA and AS/BS STAAs will articulate into their program. Christina will send out an email to Academic Council shortly to begin the comment period. We will return to GE Council for discussion and affirmation next month.
  4. Proposed removal of Community College of Denver (CCD) and Community College of Aurora (CCA) from STAAs
    - Danen Jobe, Director of Academic Programs and Curriculum at CCCS, Brandon Feres, Dean of General Education at CCA, and Susan Young, Interim Dean at CCA, provided an overview and answered questions regarding CCA's request to leave the following STAAs: Anthropology, Art History, Geography, Geology, Philosophy, Studio Art, and Theatre. CCD is requesting to leave the following STAAs: Art History, French, Geography, Studio Art, and Spanish. The institutions are requesting to leave due to low program enrollment, making it difficult to run 200-level courses. The institutions ceased enrollment into these programs for new students at the end of the 21-22 academic year and are working with current students on a teach-out program.
    - Margaret Doell moved to allow both CCA and CCD to remove themselves from these STAAs. Nancy Matchett seconded the motion. No objections.
    - Christina will update all affected STAAs with this note in the "History of Revisions to Agreement" section with a message similar to the following: *2022-11 - Participating institutions revised: removed Community College of Aurora, effective May 2022. Students from CCA who declared this program prior to the effective date will be allowed to complete.*
  5. Removal of the University of Northern Colorado (UNC) from the Statewide Transfer Articulation Agreement (STAA) in French
    - Nancy Matchett, Associate Provost and Assistant Vice President for Undergraduate Studies at UNC reported they had closed their French program at the end of the 21-22 academic year - they are no longer

taking new students. They are currently teaching out the two students who are enrolled.

- Christina will update the STAA with a similar note to the one above.
  - Council members engaged in a discussion about how to manage IHEs wanting to remove themselves from STAAs moving forward, including the need to inform community colleges when a four-year institution drops a program; there was discussion of bringing back the quarterly newsletter to academic advisors to include this information (the newsletter was replaced by quarterly Zoom meetings with advisors)
6. STAAs ready for institutional approval (updates)
- Biology
    - Christina presented the proposed revisions for the Biology STAA. Biology faculty proposed two different tracks - one for general/field/environmental biology students and another for health/cellular/molecular/pre-med track students. Both tracks would maintain the same general education core curriculum.
    - Council members expressed concerns regarding several issues, including how the two-year institutions would create their degrees with designations (DwDs) and the many concentrations and emphases areas the agreement is attempting to articulate into. Council members recommended the agreement be returned to faculty for further revision.
  - Communication
    - Christina reviewed the proposed revisions the faculty made to the agreement, many of which were made so that the agreement is in alignment with state GE core requirements.
    - Council members approved faculty revisions. STAA is ready to begin the institutional approval process.
7. Proposed Colorado State University - Global Campus (CSU-G) COM 200 course for GT-AH1 credit
- Audra Spicer, Program Director General Education: Humanities & Social Sciences at CSU Global, decided to withdraw the course from consideration for this category. She will review it with her faculty to see if it will align better into a different GT Pathways category.
8. AP Computer Science credit
9. New and closed GT Pathways courses

### New

*University of Colorado Colorado Springs*

- GT-SS1: ECON 1010 Introduction to Microeconomics (3)
- GT-SS1: ECON 2010 Introduction to Macroeconomics (3)

### Closed

*None*