



**COLORADO**

Department of  
Higher Education

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<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Academic Council</b> <b>February 11, 2025</b> <b>1:00 – 3:00 pm</b>
<b>Location</b>	Remote ONLY
<b>Call-In Information</b>	<a href="#">Join Zoom Meeting</a> Meeting ID: 844 9216 4402 Passcode: 358053
<b>Meeting Participants</b>	Provosts and Chief Academic Officers (CAOs) of the public institutions of higher education
<b>Meeting Objectives</b>	Members advise the Department on policy development and implementation, as well as other matters affecting higher education.

## **AGENDA -- NOTES**

### 1. Greetings and Introductions

In attendance: Margaret Doell (ASU); Kirsty Fleming (UNC); Kris Greer (FLC); Cher Hendricks (CMU); Roze Henschell (CSU-SYS); Andy Herring (CSM); Mark Kavanaugh (CU Boulder); Mike Lightner (CU-SYS); Gail Mackin (CSUP); Matt Makley (MSU Denver); Kimberly Miloch (CSU); Beth Myers (CU Denver); Tina Parscal (CCCS); Audra Spicer (CSUG); Lynn Vidler (UCC); Rebecca Woulfe (CCCS-FRCC); Jess Young (WCU); Christina Carrillo (CDHE); Liliana Diaz Soloduhkin (CDHE); Carl Einhaus (CDHE)

### 2. Approval of January Meeting Notes

[see handout: 2025-01-14 NOTES-AC.pdf]

Notes approved

### 3. Announcements and Discussion Items

#### a. Updates from CCHE Advisor Michael Lightner

Dr. Lightner informed council members that he missed most of the CCHE meeting that occurred on February 7; however, he provided an overview of the portion that he did attend. He reported that Commissioners engaged in a discussion about the findings from the [funding formula](#) feedback survey, which was conducted in December and

January as part of the Commission’s funding formula review process. He also reported that there were discussions about the recent Career Connected Learning Campus Designations, updates regarding the legislative session, and continued discussions on the minimum value threshold (MVT) calculations and the statewide longitudinal data system (SLDS).

Council members engaged in a brief discussion regarding the funding formula review process and the current legislative session. Department staff suggested inviting our legislative liaison to next month’s meeting to provide a more comprehensive update to council members.

b. Proposed revisions to CCHE Policy I, Section L: Statewide Transfer and GT Pathways (Notification of Transfer Credit)

Carl provided an overview of the proposed revisions to the Statewide Transfer and GT Pathways policy that will go before the Commission for approval in March. He informed council members that the changes to policy reflect the modifications that were made to statute as a result of Senate Bill 24-164. The policy will now require institutions of higher education to provide students (both undergraduate and graduate) with a determination of transfer credit within 30 calendar days, upon meeting certain criteria. It was noted that with Commission approval of the policy, staff will be recommending that institutions have until July 1 to implement the new practices and to post their updated policies on their respective websites regarding the process.

Council members engaged in a brief discussion regarding the proposed changes to the policy and the recommended deadline for implementation. Council members suggested a September 1 deadline for implementation and Department staff agreed. Department staff will make this adjustment when presenting this item to the Commission in the coming weeks.

4. New, modified, and closed programs

a. New

- Colorado State University – Global Campus
  - Bachelor of Science in Agile Project Management
  - Master of Science in Agile Project Management
- Metropolitan State University of Denver
  - Undergraduate Certificate in Airport Hospitality Operations
  - Undergraduate Certificate in Airport Hospitality Management
  - Undergraduate Certificate in Communication Essentials
  - Undergraduate Certificate in Event and Meeting Design
  - Undergraduate Certificate in Translation Studies

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- Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Systems and Mission Design
  - Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering
  - Bachelor of Arts in Instructional Design and Technology
- b. Modified
- None
- c. Closed Programs
- Metropolitan State University of Denver
    - Undergraduate Certificate in Entrepreneurship
    - Bachelor of Science in Banking
    - Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering Technology
    - Bachelor of Science in Extended Major in Journalism and Media Production
    - Bachelor of Science in Fire and Emergency Response Administration Extended Major
    - Bachelor of Science in Global Business Studies
    - Bachelor of Science in Lifestyle Medicine Extended Major

**ACTION ITEMS**

Issue	Action / Next Step	Assigned To & Date Assigned

