Area E Taskforce - Meeting 1 - Agenda and Minutes

Feb 21, 2024, 10-11am via Zoom

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Members

- Yvonne Portillo, Counseling
- Jennifer Bailly, Social & Behavioral Sciences (focus Economics)
- o Matthew Flesher, Kinesiology, Health Ed., PE, Athletics
- Leslie Bitong, Performing Arts (focus Dance)
- o Vacant, One Full-time Faculty At-Large
- o Monica Jovanovich, CCI Co-Chair
- o Gary Kirby, CCI Co-Chair
- Charissa McCord, Curriculum Specialist

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- AB928's impact on Area E courses and related programs
 - The taskforce reviewed the various challenges to areas with the removal of Area E from the local GE as well as changes arising from Cal-GETC.
 - Various areas shared that they are in communication with colleagues at other colleges and how they are handling the possible change.
- Local GE changes and Area E
 - Discussed pros and cons of removing or keeping Area E
 - Ex Con: Issue of students on Cal-GETC pathway that then switch to a local degree needing then to take an Area E course
 - Ex Pro: Discussion of spirit of Area E courses and the idea behind
 Lifelong learning as one central to our college
 - Challenge of not knowing if CSUs will have an Area E for freshmen but not transfer students (they will be voting on this in the future)
- Discussion of possible curricular solutions
 - Some disciplines are considering editing their curriculum to be able to apply for other GE/Cal-GETC areas (ex - moving from E to D/4). Jerry, our former AO, created a spreadsheet with possible other areas that courses could apply for (with minor or major revisions to content) which was added to Teams folder.

- The taskforce discussed the possibility of converting some credit courses to non-credit.
- The taskforce discussed various new local degrees that could be developed as a home to stand-alone Area E courses. The taskforce also discussed how some existing local degrees could add formerly stand-alone Area E courses to local AAs (ex. Kinesiology and Dance AAs).
- The taskforce also discussed the timeline for bringing such changes through
 CCI in order to have effective Fall 2025.

TASKFORCE CALL:

The Council for Curriculum and Instruction (CCI) is seeking up to **five** (**5**) **full-time faculty members** to assist with the impact of AB-928: Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act (Cal-GETC) removal of Area E: Lifelong Learning and Self Development. The goal of this taskforce is to research and obtain curricular solutions to programs and courses within this area prior to the Fall 2025 implementation. This taskforce will begin Spring 2024 and come to a close at the end of Fall 2024. Meeting schedule will be arranged based on taskforce members' availability and taskforce will regularly report back to CCI.

The eligibility criteria for faculty nominations are:

- Full-time Faculty from each of the following areas:
 - Counseling
 - Kinesiology, Health Ed., PE, Athletics
 - Performing Arts (focus Dance)
- One Full-time Faculty from any of the following areas:
 - Social & Behavioral Sciences (focus Economics)
 - Psychology
 - Business, Accounting, Marketing, and Management (focus Business or Management)
 - Liberal Arts & Culture (focus Geography or Global Studies)
- One Full-time Faculty At-Large