

# CCC COMMUNIQUÉ

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## NEWS:

- ❖ The following courses were approved on May 1st for Foothill GE for **2013-14**:  
Area V, Communication & Analytical Thinking - C S 2A and SPED 61
- ❖ **Program Review Processes and Templates:** Your Foothill academic senate reps had a first read of the Program Review Committee Draft Charge, and proposed list of programs matched to a program review template. Our program review process is going to be critical both for assessing the vitality of our programs **and** for making resource requests, so we want to make sure all stakeholders have the opportunity to review these items and provide feedback. Please review the documents (you can get from either your senate rep or CCC rep) and provide feedback to your senate rep no later than May 13.
- ❖ **CSUs announced they will give priority admissions to students with AA-T/AS-Ts over "local" students!** CSUs are facing financial issues and nine have already announced they will only accept students who have completed a transfer degree in Spring 2013.
- ❖ **UCs being left in the dust?** Although UC faculty have participated in development of the TMCs (Transfer Model Curriculum), to date, they've not been willing to commit themselves to the same guarantees that the CSUs offer. However, since CSUs will now give substantial benefits to students holding a transfer, UCs have committed to guaranteeing that they will at least read admission applications from AA-T (or AS-T) students and are even beginning discussions to create "UC Transfer Pathways" similar to the transfer degrees. Perhaps they have come to the realization that if a student has a "guarantee" to a CSU vs. a "try" to transfer to a UC, the student will probably take the sure thing.
- ❖ **Course Repetition/Repeatability:** The CCC State Chancellor's Office has provided some clarification about the proposed changes to the Title 5 language about repetition and repeatability. We must comply with the new repeatability regulations by Fall 2013, which means changes to the CORs **must occur** by December 7, 2012. With very few exceptions, courses will no longer be repeatable. The curriculum team will create a short reference sheet for you as soon as the language is finalized by the Board of Governors. In the interim, please check your CORs to remind yourself which of your course(s) are currently listed as repeatable and begin to think about alternative ways for students to meet the outcomes/objectives. See your Curr Rep for further information.

## REMINDERS:

- ❖ **Transfer Degrees:** Get on 'um! In light of the current announcements by CSUs and UCs, our implementation of these transfer degrees can offer huge benefits for our students. Please

check out the TMCs and see if there's one available in your discipline. We suggest that you meet with Bernie Day for help identifying the courses that will best serve our students in transferring. Please contact Cori Nuñez for the template and instructions for the text portion of the application. If you have any questions, contact Bernie Day, Carolyn Holcroft, Kimberlee Messina or Cori Nuñez.

- ❖ **General Education Colloquium:** Don't miss the opportunity on May 18<sup>th</sup> to discuss GE with Ken O'Donnell (Associate Dean from CSU Chancellor's Office). This is a great opportunity for us to get a perspective of the IGETC/CSU-Breadth process and ask questions. The Colloquium will be held in our Cafeteria from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (coffee, baked goodies and "good morning" conversations to begin at 8:15 a.m.).

## "WE NEED YOUR FEEDBACK!" ITEMS:

- ❖ **CLEP (College Level Examination Programs)** is still under discussion. The CCC did agree that FH will not adopt the CCC GE CLEP List as proposed by the State Academic Senate, but instead will ask discipline faculty to review each area to see if adoption is appropriate. Holcroft working on a short template to facilitate discussion. At this time, please review the test information at <http://clep.collegeboard.org/exam>.