

Transfer Alignment Project

2021-2022

Introduction

In fall 2019, the ASCCC started the first phase of addressing the Resolution F17 15.01 Aligning Transfer Pathways for the CSU and UC Systems

Resolved, That the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges work with the Academic Senates of the California State University and the University of California to identify a single pathway in each of the majors with an Associate Degree for Transfer to ensure that students will be prepared to transfer into either the California State University or the University of California systems.

Overall Goal:

- Align Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC) with University of California Transfer Pathways (UCTP), where feasible, i.e. only non-substantive changes to the TMCs would be needed
- 2. For those TMCs that need more changes, convene discipline faculty from all three systems, every attempt is made to align the pathways with two possible outcomes:
 - 1. Pathways aligned with substantive changes to TMC and/or UCTP (currently, only TMCs have been considered for changes)
 - 2. If the pathways cannot be aligned, then clear documentation on the rationale and benefits of separate pathways to students and public is communicated broadly

The Transfer Alignment Project - Phase I

Seven disciplines were considered: anthropology, business administration, economics, history, mathematics, philosophy, and sociology.

Feasible: Disciplines that required non-substantive changes for alignment between the TMC and UCTP:

- Sociology The Sociology FDRG revised the TMC to align with the UCTP and the templates are now available on both the C-ID website and the CCCCO website.
- History The FDRG believes alignment is feasible with minor changes CSU faculty were recently appointed to the FDRG and C-ID staff is currently working to convene the group.
- Anthropology The CCC members of the FDRG believe that alignment is feasible with a minor change. C-ID is in need of 3 CSU faculty to participate as Faculty Discipline Review Group (FDRG) members to move forward with alignment.

Currently Not feasible: Disciplines that required substantive changes for alignment between the TMC and UCTP (these should move to Phase 3 for intersegmental discipline faculty discussion about how they could potentially be aligned OR determine rationale for multiple pathways being necessary)

- Business Administration The Business Administration FDRG completed their review of the TMC in 2020 and determined that alignment is not feasible at this time due to requirements of UCTP (calculus).
- Economics The Economics FDRG reviewed the TMC and UCTP in 2020 and determined that alignment is not feasible due to requirements of UCTP (calculus)
- Mathematics The Mathematics FDRG reviewed the TMC and UCTP in 2020 and determined that alignment is not feasible due to requirements of UCTP (science)
- Philosophy The Philosophy FDRG reviewed the TMC and UCTP in 2020 and determined that alignment is not feasible due to requirements of UCTP (epistemology)

Non TMC pathways where alignment exists with UCTP. The TMCs for chemistry and physics do not align with the UCTPs: (add descriptions for each)

- Chemistry (pilot)
- Physics (pilot)
- Engineering MC

Action Plan to complete Phase I:

- 1. Work with CCC Chancellor's Office to post Sociology TMC template COMPLETE
- 2. Work with CSU to get complete FDRGs Anthropology to complete the TMC updates in progress
- **3.** Work to have FDRG finalize the template for History, and then with CCC Chancellor's to post the template **in progress**
- 4. Work with CSU and UC systems through ICAS to consider UCTP modifications, and create clear rationales for non-alignment for business administration, economics, mathematics, and philosophy

The Transfer Alignment Project - Phase II

Three disciplines will be considered: biology, English, political science.

Action Plan for Phase II:

- 1. Determine a timeline (below are just ideas for the timeline)
 - 1. Message to FDRGs detailing the Transfer Alignment Project and the Task for the FDRG: send on Monday, October 25, 2021 **COMPLETE**
 - 2. Convene the FDRGs: November 8-December 11, 2021 COMPLETE
 - Send survey with proposed TMC changes to discipline faculty and others for vetting: December 16 and a reminder on January 10, 2022 - No changes are being considered at this time.

- 4. Survey responses due January 17, 2022 (consider extending due date by a week)
- 5. FDRGs meet to review survey responses and create narrative regarding changes or infeasibility: January 17-February 21, 2022 **COMPLETE**
- 6. Review by Articulation Officers February 21-March 7, 2022 COMPLETE
- 7. Possible FDRG Follow-Up: March 7-March 21, 2022 in progress for Phase III:
 - a. Review of UCTPs for possible areas of revision need UC participation
 - b. Consider more than one TMC per discipline for discussion/action at ICW at the Apr 26, 2022 meeting.)
- 8. Proposal to ICW: April 2022
- 9. TMCs to Chancellor's Office: May 2022
- 10. Communication to field re: TMCs or infeasibility: no later than September 2022
- 2. Communication to convene each of the three FDRGs
- 3. Create the Task for the FDRGs
 - 1. Goal
 - 2. Questions to consider
 - 3. Possible outcomes

Questions for Consideration:

- 1. What messaging should be sent out to discipline faculty regarding this project?
- 2. What kind of notification to the field about this work would be appropriate and informative?
- 3. Can we have discussion about opening up discipline review done by non-tenured CSU faculty maybe by long-term lecturer, tenure track faculty or emeriti?
- 4. Is there flexibility for adjusting/updating UCTPs?
- 5. What are the pros and cons of having more than one TMC per discipline?

The Transfer Alignment Project - Phase III

In disciplines where a single pathway is not feasible, can multiple pathways be implemented? (would require updating current criteria re: one pathway/TMC per discipline) - updated and approved by ICW on April 26, 2022

Start with 4 disciplines already deemed not feasible to continue conversation to consider whether changes to UCTPs are possible or whether multiple TMCs are needed.

Phase III Timeline:

November 2021 & January-February 2022: Schedule ICW meetings to discuss potential of having more than one TMC per discipline/FDRG. ICW is scheduled to meet on Apr 26, 2022

January 2022: begin efforts to reach out to CSU to make sure all Phase III disciplines have faculty appointed. Currently working with the CSU Chancellor's office to recruit and appoint faculty.

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