

California Community Colleges

Chancellor's Office

Educational Services



FIRST FRIDAY UPDATE

for the Chief Instructional and Student Services Officers

February 2016

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS DIVISION

DEAN, BASIC SKILLS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Pamela Walker

Please join me in welcoming Kirsten Corbin to the Academic Affairs Division as Dean LeBaron Woodyard is taking extended time away to complete his doctoral dissertation from the University of California, Santa Barbara. Kirsten will oversee Instructional Programs and Services, including significant new resources in Basic Skills, while LeBaron is away.

Kirsten comes to us from American River College where she holds a faculty position in the English Department, teaching composition courses, primarily in basic skills, as well as teaching in support centers, including Reading Across the Disciplines. In addition, she brings administrative experience as the Basic Skills Initiative Co-Coordinator/Coordinator; the Director for the Center for Teaching and Learning, ARC's professional development center; Chair of the Los Rios District Curriculum Coordinating Committee; and facilitator of the Teaching Institute to Enhance Teaching Methodology, a professional development program for faculty. Her background in basic skills instruction, professional development, and curriculum will serve us collectively.

ADT DEVELOPMENT OBLIGATIONS

Erin Larson

There are 1,991 Active [ADTs](#). In addition to the 12 approved since last month, 30 revision requests were sent back to the colleges. Our review priority for February includes all new ADTs, particularly those that were due last August and those due March 1 and August 1 of this year. Four new templates were posted February 1: Child and Adolescent Development, Global Studies, Public Health Science, and Social Justice Studies. Also, revisions were made to the templates for Communication Studies and Sociology based on the discipline's 5-year review.

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE CURRICULUM INVENTORY

Erin Larson/Stephanie Ricks-Albert/Rachel Stamm

The Chancellors Office Curriculum Inventory System (COCI) is being migrated to a new platform over this coming summer (2016). This effort has three important goals: reduce time to approve proposals, improve consistency and completeness of data across college and Chancellor's Office systems, and finally, realize the electronic exchange of standardized curriculum information independent of a college's specific curriculum management system. The Chancellor's Office is collaborating closely with the field through a steering committee made up of 10 pilot colleges and representation from System Advisory Committee on Curriculum (SACC), Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC) and the professional associations. Software development is underway and recommendations to achieve data harmony amongst the systems are being developed for steering committee evaluation.

BASIC SKILLS

Kirsten Corbin/ LeBaron Woodyard/Eric Nelson

On January 21, 2016 the Chancellor's Office released a Request for Applications (RFA), for the \$60M Basic Skills and Student Outcomes Transformation Program. The announcement can be found by [clicking here](#). The RFA can be found by [clicking here](#). The deadline for applications is March 25, 2016 at 5:00 PM. The last day to submit clarifying questions is February 19, 2016 at 5:00 PM. Selected recipients will be announced on March 29, 2016. There are four regional workshops that will be held to help colleges have a better understanding of the evidence-based practices and principles that are required to be selected when applying for a grant. Details, including dates of the workshops, locations, and registration links are in the announcement on page 13 of the RFA. You can also download information by [clicking here](#).

BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PILOT PROGRAM UPDATE

Jackie Escajeda/Njeri Griffin

On January 28, 2016, the Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program Faculty meeting was held at the Chancellor's Office in Sacramento. In this interactive meeting, colleges worked in groups and discussed several items including differentiating between lower and upper division curriculum, lower and upper division GE requirements, and the procedure for upper division curriculum approval. The group also discussed ideas for future professional development trainings.

INMATE EDUCATION

BJ Snowden/Leslie LeBlanc

The four pilot college grant recipients have now started face-to-face classes, and we are working with Institutional Effectiveness Partnership Initiative (EIPI) to schedule more workshops. We are also pleased to announce that the Prison University Project (PUP) is planning to host an intensive 3-day training session on prison higher education from March 6-8, 2016. This training will cover essential topics including: academic and administrative planning; teacher training and supervision; and prison rules, regulations, and culture. The training itself will be held at the PUP office in San Rafael and will include a site visit to San Quentin. The training itself is free of charge. Please let us know as soon as possible if you are interested in attending.

VETERANS

Chantée Guiney/David Lawrence

The Chancellor's Office, in partnership with the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC), the Online Education Initiative (OEI), and the System Advisory Committee on Curriculum (SACC) will soon conduct a comprehensive review of initiatives surrounding credit for prior learning, in an effort to make such educational opportunities more obvious for our students, especially military veteran student populations with extensive training and expertise among diverse career technical program areas.

The California Community Colleges [Veterans Summit](#), scheduled March 3-4, 2016, will feature informative presentations to highlight innovative approaches surrounding credit for prior learning. The Veterans Summit, which brings together professionals from community colleges and public four-year universities, is hosted by the Chancellor's Office in partnership with the Faculty Association for California Community Colleges and the Foundation for California Community Colleges. The purpose of the Veterans Summit is to share information and best practices for faculty, administrators, and staff who work with student veterans on our campuses.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Eric Nelson

On January 04, 2016, the Chancellor's Office released an updated [Instructional Services Agreement](#) (ISA). The purpose of the updated ISA is to clarify existing law and regulations as they pertain to advanced public safety courses. See sections 5(c) through 5(g) for the update. The remainder of the document remains unchanged.

ACCESS TO THE THIRD FLOOR AT THE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE

Pamela Walker

For security purposes, access to the third floor at the Chancellor's Office is now restricted to building badge access only. All visitors and deliveries will be greeted in the first or sixth floor lobbies and escorted to the third floor.

STUDENT SERVICES AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS DIVISION

VICE CHANCELLOR OF STUDENT SERVICES AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Pamela Walker

On behalf of the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, I want to thank Dr. Denise Noldon for serving as the Interim Vice Chancellor of Student Services and Special Programs this past year. Dr. Noldon, a highly talented professional, brought a wealth of experience to the position. Her work as a community college president gave her unique insight into the challenges facing our students, allowing the Chancellor's Office to better serve them, college faculty, staff, and administrators. I miss Denise Noldon dearly as she is a fine colleague and I wish her the very best!

Until we hire a new Vice Chancellor, I will be more deeply connected to student services thus if you know a colleague who might be interested in working at the Chancellor's Office, please direct them to the Vice Chancellor of Student Services and Special Programs job examination announcement ([click here](#)).

2016 CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES STUDENT SUCCESS CONFERENCE

ADVANCING STUDENT SUCCESS: FROM PLAN TO ACTION

Chris Graillat/Julie Moore

The 2016 California Community Colleges Student Success Conference, [Advancing Student Success: From Plan to Action Conference](#) will take place on March 14-16, 2016, at the [DoubleTree Hotel](#) in Sacramento.

The early bird [registration](#) fee (\$300) ends February 22; registration will then increase (\$350) and remain open until full. [Lodging](#) at the special rate of \$95 is only available at the overflow hotel, [Hilton Arden West](#), until February 22. Please contact the hotel direct to secure your special rate. Should any issues arise with hotel reservations or registration, please contact Julie Moore at jmoore@cccco.edu or at 916-445-5207. General questions should be directed to Chris Graillat at cgraillat@cccco.edu or at 916-322-7988.