

UPDATE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SB 1440: STUDENT TRANSFER

November 13-14, 2012

INFORMATION AND REPORTS

Presentation: Erik Skinner, Executive Vice Chancellor for Programs, Chancellor's Office
Michelle Pilati, President, Academic Senate California Community Colleges

Item 5.3

Issue

This item provides a status update on the implementation of Senate Bill 1440 (Padilla, Statutes of 2010), the Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act.

Background

Senate Bill 1440, which went into effect on January 1, 2011, advances the goal of streamlining the transfer process between the California Community Colleges and the California State University (CSU). The legislation calls for the development of clear transfer pathways that prepare students for transfer to CSU while also yielding a California community college associate degree. SB 1440 also offers additional benefits to community college students, including guaranteed admission to the CSU system with junior standing, eliminating the repeat of similar courses at the upper division level, and recognizing the associate degree as the measure of preparation and readiness for transfer to the CSU. By streamlining the transfer process, this initiative promises to fundamentally improve California higher education by making it more student-friendly and increasing institutional efficiency.

The SB 1440 Implementation and Oversight Committee comprised of CSU and California community college administrators, faculty, students, California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office representatives, and CSU Chancellor's Office representatives has met on a monthly basis since enactment of the legislation and worked to develop the necessary guidelines and policies for successful implementation.

Update

During this item, the Board will receive an update on recent developments related to implementation of Senate Bill 1440. The presentation will address the current status of Associate of Art for Transfer (AA-T) and Associate of Science for Transfer (AS-T) degree development. Specifically, the Board will be presented with the latest count of approved AA-T and AS-T degrees, by college.

Additional information and announcements regarding Senate Bill 1440 implementation can be found by visiting <http://www.SB1440.org>. This website was built jointly by the California

Community College Chancellor's Office and California State University Chancellor's Office for use by faculty and administrators in the two systems.

Conclusion

This item is for information only.