

Developmental Education Council Meeting

Wednesday, November 30, 2016 – Ware Student Commons 416 from Noon-1:30 p.m.

Meeting Leader: Edie Carter

Attendees: Diane Brice, Edie Carter, Tamara Clunis, Penelope Davies, Nancy Forrest, Melissa Hightower, Kelly Murphy, Ernesto Olmos, Mitch Parker, Christy Robinson, Brenda Rossnagel, Frank Sobey, Carol Summers, Luinda Verden, Collin Witherspoon

Absent: Kim Hays, Dalila Paredes, Kim Pinter, Nicholas Wade,

Minutes: October minutes were approved as printed.

Pathways Option: Edie showed a video from MATH 0304 students.

Discussion:

8-week course numbers: Collin (see handout) said passing rates for 2016 Fall 1 are 20% higher than for 2015 Spring. He also has the breakdown of separate courses and will look at 16-week vs. 8-week courses. That is hard to set up because of the variations in classes. Frank said the strategic plan has been revised to “all in” for Spring and Fall 2017. Does that eliminate 16-week classes? Dev Ed Council needs clarity.

Pathways: maybe changing at CO Board. When changing majors, then the prerequisites are often different. A curriculum conversation needs to happen so students don't have to backtrack.

Success Center Updates: Melissa (see handout) said 218 individual students had been advised.

- **Save-A-Semester:** For the lowest level of MATH (310-335), students are required to complete Save-A-Semester before registering. AELM-0001 is using the MATH 0301 curriculum. Students complete an “at home” review before taking the Challenge Test in the Math Testing Center. Sixteen students have tested so far: 13 passed (>70) and moved to MATH 0302; three failed and move to AELM

(which replaces MATH 0301). Students can't register until Save-A-Semester is complete. Melissa said this could affect enrollment numbers. This offers a way to move ahead with college-ready courses.

- Rapid Review: 2-day/4-hour sessions to review to test or retest the math portion of TSI. Students must have basic Algebra skills to be successful. Five students are currently taking Rapid Review: One of the five who did not register through the Success Center is struggling – being moved to Save-A-Semester.
- TSI Quick Reviews are also offered. This is not state-funded because students spend fewer minutes reviewing. More time is not needed.
- Reading: Students take a departmental reading test before registering. Their results allow them to be placed in the proper level class.

HB-5 & High Schools:

- Melissa said MAP sessions are still available on campus. Melissa and Jason Norman are presenting to juniors at the high schools in an effort to help high school students realize how important the TSI is so they don't have to take developmental classes. MAP encourages students not to take all the tests the same day and includes test-taking strategies. Hopefully this will elevate TSI scores.
- Tina Babb can get state funding if she knows the number of minutes the students spend. She thinks 240 minutes is required. Accutrack could keep up with the time students spend in the Success Center. Frank said Charlie Clark is an Accutrack guru.
- Melissa recommends cutting off registration a week before class starts.
- Ernesto said endorsements and pathways for arts and humanities is ready to pilot for Spring 2017. Other pathways are being developed for Fall 2017.
- Pathway does not include developmental classes.
- If the students stay on a pathway:
 - No surprises for students for 4 semesters
 - Keeps students from having to see adviser each semester
 - Hopefully will help students see how long it will take to complete

Registration: Diane said 4,293 students were enrolled for spring now. Prerequisite waivers are required; prerequisites need to be updates. If the prerequisite barrier keeps students from registering, Diane should be contacted. Codes may need to be changed so not all students appear on prerequisite check.

Advising: Ernesto said the advisers were mostly booked with appointments through December. He is planning communication with all students not already registered for spring now. There will be no blanket green lights for degree seekers; non-degree seekers will be green lighted.

Veterans:

- Ernesto: Veterans with three years of service and honorably discharged do not have to take TSI. They must verify this with Kelly. Some kind of assessment is required to determine initial placement.
- Kelly: concerned that we will lose veterans because of moving to all 8-week classes because they aren't paid for fall or spring break.

Testing: Mitch changed TSI cost effective Dec. 1, 2016. This way there is no monetary advantage to taking all three tests at the same time.

- Package of three tests increases: \$35.00
- Individual tests will remain the same:
 - Writing: \$15.00
 - Reading: \$10.00
 - Math: \$10.00

Spring Semester Meetings:

- Wednesday, Feb. 8 – Noon-1:30 p.m. – WARE 416
- Wednesday, April 12 – Noon-1:30 p.m. – WARE 416

Next Meeting Assignments:

- Further discussion
- Action
 - Diane – do codes need changing so not all students appear on prerequisite check?