

District Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 5, 2023

4:00-5:00pm

CAADO 209/Zoom

Committee Members	Guests
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ann Pfeifle (Chair, HIS, MOV)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lijuan Zhai (AVC Ed Services and Institutional Effectiveness, RCCD)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Susan Mills (Co-Chair, VC Ed. Services)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steven Schmidt (MUS, RCC)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brian Johnson (MAT, NOR)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nick Sinigaglia (PHI, MOV)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kelly Douglass (ENG, RIV)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bryan Medina (Staff, RCCD)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ellen Brown-Drinkwater (AO, RCC)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nick Franco (AO, NOR)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeanne Howard (AO, MVC)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sabina Fernandez (Staff, MVC)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Casandra Greene (Staff, RCC)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nicole Brown (Staff, NOR)
Additional Guests:	

Zoom Information

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Call to Order: 4:34pm by Ann Pfeifle

Agenda and Minutes

1. Approval of Agenda
Motion: K. Douglass; Second: B. Johnson
Approved, Unanimous
2. Approval of Minutes – November 7, 2023
Motion: B. Johnson; Second: K. Douglass
Approved, Unanimous
3. Approval of Minutes – November 16, 2023
Motion: B. Johnson; Second: K. Douglass
Approved, Unanimous

Reports from Colleges

1. Moreno Valley
 - a. The committee discussed documentation requirements for new honors courses.

2. Norco
 - a. The committee voted on the general education plan and received information from CIS faculty about which courses are appropriate for Area 2. Faculty stated that CSC-8 and CIS/CSC-14A in his view do not belong in the pattern, but all the others do.
 - b. Committee voted on a modified GE pattern without the CIS courses listed above.
3. Riverside
 - a. The general education conversation at Riverside was robust, with discussion from MAT and CIS representatives regarding whether all CIS courses belong in Area 2 or not. There was lengthy review of the Title 5 language which related to why CIS courses appear in the new pattern's Area 2.
 - b. During open forum, there was additional discussion from CIS representatives regarding why CIS 1A is not in the pattern as it is in the current pattern. The representatives were advised that the pattern is always being modified, so they could submit a proposal to include CIS 1A back in through the regular process. If they act on that quickly it could make it to the addendum if approved.
 - c. Kelly Douglass reported to RCC senate yesterday on the general education pattern. The CIS senator had questions about the rationale that was used to remove CIS 1A, that it did not follow the usual process with discipline expert input. Kelly stated she was aware of the concern that the topic would be brought to Standards.
 - d. There was also a statement read from the COM faculty where they shared that the timeline was too abbreviated and there should have been more time for discussion.
 - e. During the meeting's question and answer period, there was a question raised regarding if students who are auto-placed onto ADTs due to AB 928 would be restricted to only taking courses within their program. A counseling faculty stated that because of Anthology, this might be happy. Kelly Douglass stated that technology does not drive Title 4 or curriculum or what students are allowed to do.
 - f. Casandra Greene – This topic was brought to VP Wright and VP DiMemmo. According to financial aid, financial aid can only be paid out for courses that are a part of a student's program. Anthology will be automating what is largely a manual process currently, so this may be policy that is set by the federal government.
 - i. Ellen Brown-Drinkwater – There was also discussion regarding having a primary and secondary program of study with financial aid only paying on the primary program of study.
 - ii. Felipe Galicia – We should verify to ensure we are not denying students opportunities.
 - iii. Kelly Douglass – This may also be against our mission of allowing students to explore and may be an equity issue. If you are on financial aid and you are limited to your program of study only, that is inequitable.
 - iv.

Action Items

1. RCCD GE Pattern for 2024-2025
 - a. The RCCD GE Pattern was approved by Moreno Valley and Riverside as presented, and approved at Norco with modifications. Therefore, the GE pattern as presented was approved on a 2-to-1 vote.
 - b. Kelly Douglass – One concern was that the pattern was brought to Senate for conceptual approval. The Senate later stated they had interpreted the presentation as being on behalf of the curriculum committee, not as a recommendation of Standards.

- c. Kelly Douglass – A larger conversation should take place at District Academic Standards regarding whether that body made a curriculum decision and how to handle the removal of CIS-1A and the change of units in some areas. How do we move forward? Do we post the general education pattern to the addendum? It seems that both Senate and Curriculum approval is needed.
 - i. Casandra Greene – We can delay the publication of the catalog to ensure the finalized GE pattern is published. This would be in the best interest of students.
 - d. Kelly Douglass – Do we need representatives from the Academic Senate to attend Standards?
 - i. Ann Pfeifle – We can extend the invite.
 - e. The committee reviewed the following dates:
 - i. December 7, 2023 – Standards Discussion
 - ii. February 20, 2024 – Tech Review and DCC
 - iii. February 21, 2024 – The GE pattern can be prepared for the Cabinet and Board of Trustees.
 - iv. February 27, 2024 – College Curriculum can review the gen ed pattern if necessary. The general education pattern can be pulled from the Board agenda at this time if needed.
 - v. March 5, 2024 – Board Committee meeting.
 - vi. March 19, 2024 – Board of Trustees regular meeting. The catalog can then be published after the Board meeting.
 - f. Bryan Medina – Additionally, the classified representative on the California Community College Curriculum Committee stated that a guidance memo for the associate degree Title 5 changes should be forthcoming, and that memo may include details on the implementation timeline.
 - g. The General Education Pattern is approved on a 2-to-1 vote, but will not be sent to the Board until further discussion is had at Academic Standards.
2. Area of Emphasis Clerical Updates
 - a. Motion: Kelly Douglass; Second: Brian Johnson
 - b. Bryan Medina – There were some minor edits to the document that will be shared with the committee members.
 - c. Approved, Unanimous

Discussion Items and Public Comment

1. Open Forum
 - a. None
2. Public Comment for all items on or not otherwise on the agenda.
 - a. None

Adjournment: 5:26pm

RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
General Education Requirements (RCCD GE)
2024-2025

Riverside Community College District General Education Requirements – PLAN A Legend: C=Units Completed, IP=Units In Progress, N=Units Needed	C	IP	N
<p>1. English Composition, Oral Communication and Critical Thinking</p> <p>1A. English Composition (4 units) ENG 1A/1AH</p> <p>1B. Oral Communications and Critical Thinking (3-4 units) Academic Literacy and Reading 4; Communication Studies 1/1H, 2, 3, 6, 9/9H; English 1B/1BH; Philosophy 11;</p>			
<p>2. Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning (3-4 units) Computer Information Systems 5, 7, 14A, 17A, 18A, 30A, 70A; Computer Science 5, 7, 8, 14A, 17A, 18A; Mathematics 1A/1AH, 1B, 1C, 2, 3, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12/12H, 23, 25, 26, 32, 36, 70A, 70B; Philosophy 32; Psychology 48, 50; Sociology 48, 50;</p> <p><i>(Students who previously completed MAT 35 or 53 or equivalent have satisfied this requirement.)</i></p>			
<p>3. Arts and Humanities (3-5 units) American Sign Language 1, 2, 3, 4, 22; Arabic 1, 2, 3, 8, 11/11H; Architecture 36; Art 6/6H, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25A, 25B, 26, 27, 28A, 28B, 30A, 30B, 34, 35A, 35B, 36A, 36B, 38, 39, 40A, 40B, 41A, 41B, 42A, 42B, 43A, 43B, 44A, 44B, 44C, 45, 46, 47, 48A, 48B, 49A, 49B, 50A, 50B, 51A, 51B; Art History 1/1H, 2, 2H, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6H, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15; Chinese 1, 2, 11; Communication Studies 7, 11, 12; Dance 6/6H, 7, 8, 9; English 1B/1BH, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17ABC, 18, 20, 23, 24, 25, 30, 34, 35, 38ABC, 40, 41, 44, 45, 48; English as a Second Language 49, 50; Ethnic Studies 13; Film Studies 1/1H, 2, 3, 4, 5; Film, TV and Video 12, 38A, 38B, 41, 42, 44A, 45A, 48, 51A, 51B, 52, 53, 64A, 65, 67, 68, 71A, 72, 74, 77, 79; French 1, 2, 3, 8, 11; Game Development 2; History 1, 2/2H; Humanities 4/4H, 5/5H, 8, 9, 10/10H, 11, *16, 18, 20ABC, 23, 35; Italian 1, 2, 3, 11; Japanese 1, 2, 3, 4, 11; Music 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8A, 8B, 9, 10, 11, P11, 12, P12, 19/19H, 22, 23, 25, 26, P27, 28, P28, 29, 30, 31, 32A, 32B, 32C, 32D, P32A, 33, 35, 36, P36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43A, 43B, 43C, 44, P44, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, P70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, P76, 77, P77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, P84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89/89H, 92, 93, 94, 95, 97, 98, 101; Philosophy 10/10H, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 22, 33, 34, 35, 36; Photography 8; Portuguese 1, 2; Russian 1, 2, 3, 11; Spanish 1/1H, 2/2H, 3, 4, 8, 11, 12; Theater Arts 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 25, 26, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 41, 44, 46, 48, 49, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58;</p>			
<p>4. Social and Behavioral Sciences (3 units) Administration of Justice 1, 3, 9, 9H; American Sign Language 22; Anthropology 2/2H, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 16; Arabic 11/11H; Chemistry 17; Chinese 11; Communication Studies 6, 9/9H, 12, 13, 20; Early Childhood Education 20; Economics 4, 5, 6, 7/7H, 8/8H, 9/9H, 10; Ethnic Studies *2, *14, *15, *21, *23, *27, *28, *29, 44; French 11; Geography 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 30ABCD; History 1, 2/2H, *6/*6H, *7/*7H, 11, 12, *14, *15, 19, 21, 22, 25, *26, *28, *29, *31, 32, 33, *34, 35, 42, *44; Human Services 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 60, 61, 62, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74; Italian 11; Japanese 11; Military Science 1, 2; Political Science *1/*1H, 2/2H, 3, 4/4H, 5, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 17, 20, *21, 22, *23; Psychology 1/1H, 8, 9, 10, 11, 33, 35/35H, 48, 50; Russian 11; Sociology 1/1H, 2, 3, 10/10H, 12, 15, 20, 23, 25, 48, 50; Spanish 11, 12;</p>			
<p>5. Natural Sciences (3-5 units) Anthropology 1/1H; Astronomy 1A, 1B; Biology 1/1H, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 31ABCDE, 40, 45, 50A, 50B, 55, 60 or 60H, 61, 85; Chemistry 1A or 1AH, 1B or 1BH, 2A, 2B, 3, 10, 12A, 12B; Geography 1 or 1H, 1L, 5; Geology 1, 1/L, 1B, 2, 3, 5, 30A, 30B, 31, 32; Oceanography 1, 1/L; Physical Science 1, 5; Physics 2A, 2B, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 10, 11; Psychology 2; <i>(Waivers granted for COS 60C, 60C1+60C2, and ELE 21)</i></p>			
<p>6. Ethnic Studies (3 units) Ethnic Studies 1, 3, 7, 8, 13, *14, *15, *21, *23, *44; History *14, *15, *44; Philosophy 14; Political Science *21, *23;</p>			
<p>7. Lifelong Learning and Self Development (Choose one Option for 2-3 units)</p> <p>Option 1: Biology 35 or Health Science 1 (or completion of the DEH, EMS, VN, or RN program; or submission of a DD214); OR</p> <p>Option 2: Kinesiology (2 activities courses) Any course with an A or V, or any Dance class with a D is considered an activity course. The following courses may be counted as one of two activity courses required: Kinesiology 6, 23, 27, 28, 29, 33, 34; Music 48, 49, 59, 60, 61, 66; OR</p> <p>Option 3: Academic Literacy and Reading 3; Guidance 47, 48; Kinesiology 4, 12, 30, 35, 36, 38; Psychology 10, 11;</p> <p><i>Note: Students are exempt from the self-development requirement when they complete the Cosmetology program, Registered or Vocational Nursing program, Basic Peace Officer Training Academy, the Firefighter Academy, or EMS program. Five units will be awarded towards fulfillment of RCCD GE area 7: Lifelong Learning and Self Development upon presentation of an official Joint Services Transcript or Community College of the Air Force Transcript as evidence of completion of basic training. Military transcripts are evaluated based on the recommendations of the ACE Military Guide. Credit may be used to fulfill RCCD GE, area of emphasis, certificate or elective degree requirements.</i></p>			

*Course also meets the CSU Graduation Requirement in either United States History (US-1), or United States Constitution, and Government (US-2) or California state and local government (US-3).

Notes:

- Courses cannot be double-counted to satisfy more than one area, even if a course is listed in more than one area.
- There may be transfer limitations of credits based on institutional accreditation, course modality, AP/IB, CLEP and other forms of CPL, and any other relevant factors – please consult with a counselor to discuss any such limitations.
- RESIDENCY: In order to receive an AA/AS degree from Riverside Community College District, a student must complete 12 units in residence within the Riverside Community College District.
- GPA: Completion of the requirements for the associate degree with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 in the degree-applicable courses. If units accumulated beyond those required for the degree lower a student's cumulative grade point average below 2.0, RCCD may compute the grade point average based solely on those courses used to satisfy the degree requirements, provided that the coursework used to compute the grade point average fulfill all major/area of emphasis and general education requirements.
- Students who have been awarded a bachelor's degree from an institutionally accredited institution shall be deemed to have fulfilled the general education course requirements for the associate degree.

Proposed Curriculum Clerical Changes for 2024-2025 Catalog

Area of Emphasis Degree Clerical Changes

American Studies

Removal of the following course due to deletion:
Political Science (POL): 12

Fine and Applied Arts

Removal of the following courses due to deletion:
Applied Digital Media (ADM): 200
Art (ART): 200
Dance (DAN): D14, D15, D16, D17, D25

Humanities, Philosophy and Art

Removal of the following courses due to deletion:
Art (ART): 200
Dance (DAN): D14, D15, D16, D17, D25
Music (MUS): 20, 21

Social and Behavioral Studies

Addition of the following courses due to newly created honors equivalent:
Administration of Justice (ADJ): 1H, 3H
Removal of the following courses due to deletion:
Political Science (POL): 10A, 10B, 10C

Math and Science

Addition of the following courses due to newly created honors equivalent:
Astronomy (AST): 1AH

RCCD General Education Clerical Changes

Natural Sciences

Addition of the following course due to newly created honors equivalent:
Astronomy (AST): 1AH