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# Transfer and Articulation Oversight Committee Meeting

10 AM – 12:30 PM Thursday, December 15, 2011 Harrisburg, PA

Satellite Meeting Locations: Community College of Beaver County, Bucks County Community College, Clarion University & Indiana University of PA



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# Agenda

- December 2011 Updates & Announcements
- Suggested Clarification to Student Verification Policy approved in November
- Articulation Agreement Voting Process
- Draft Agreement Discussion
- New Subcommittees
- P2P Communication Strategy
- New Business
- Future Meeting Dates







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## **Updates & Announcements**

- Fall 2011 End of Term Transfer Reports due March 2012
- Statewide Program Articulation Database
   Training Webinar
  - December 20 @11 AM
  - December 21 @ 3 PM
  - January webinar dates TBD





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### **Dates to Remember**

- **January 1** TAOC Standards Subcommittees reconvene; Start entering articulation info in database
- January 30 Deadline to submit new courses for review by the Framework Subcommittees
- March 31 Deadline for Framework Standards
   Subcommittees approve new Framework courses
- May 15 Deadline for institutions to establish course equivalencies for newly approved Framework courses





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### Suggested Clarification to Student Verification Policy

# 1. REMOVE the phrase "regardless of the program" in first statement.

Students graduating with an AA or AS from a participating institution, regardless of the program, are eligible to transfer under statewide program-to-program articulation starting with the effective graduation date.

#### 2. REWORD the second statement as follows:

<u>Two-year institutions with articulated associate degrees will</u> <u>indicate the "effective graduation date" and four-year institutions</u> <u>offering parallel bachelor degrees will indicate the "effective</u> <u>matriculation date" in the Statewide Program Articulation</u> Database.





### **Articulation Agreement Voting Process**

- Primary voting members of TAOC with links to:
  - PAC's Final Draft Agreement
  - Electronic voting form on PA TRAC
- 2/3 majority required to approve.
  - Approved agreements are considered to be final and will be posted on PA TRAC.
  - Rejected agreements will be returned to the PAC along with guidance from TAOC and a deadline for resubmission.



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#### **TAOC Articulation Voting Form**

	► Faculty & Advisors ► PAC - Assessment Feedback
uick Links	
Course Equivalencies	TAOC Articulation Approval Form
Planning Your Transfer	After reviewing a proposed statewide articulation agreement, use the form below to approve or reject the
Learn the Language	agreement as submitted. Submit one vote per agreement. Only primary TAOC members may vote on behalf of the institution.
Common Questions	of the institution.
Participating Colleges	Name of TAOC Member *
Types of Transfer Credit	
About PA TRAC	First Last
Contact Us	TAOC Institution: *
Statewide Articulations	Select Your Institution
	Articulation Agroement: t
	Articulation Agreement: * Select Agreement
	Decision: *
	O Accept
	O Reject
	If rejected, please indicate reason(s):
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### Voting "Rules"

- <u>One</u> vote per voting TAOC member.
- All voting TAOC members are expected to vote, regardless of the program of study.
- Votes must be submitted by deadline to be included in the final tally.





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### **Tips for Reviewing Agreements**

Ask yourself does the agreement...

- Identify the foundation-level content and competencies required for entry as a junior into the parallel bachelor degree?
- Align with the policies set forth in TAOC's General Statewide Program Articulation Agreement?
- Include requirements consistent with <u>those</u> of native students in the parallel bachelor degree program?



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# **5 Minute Break**



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# **PAC Updates**

- Art
  Communications
  Criminal Justice
  Environmental Science
  Geography
  History
  Modern Languages
- > Music
- Political Science
- Social Work
- Sociology
- > Theatre
- 4-8 Education
- Secondary Education





# **ACTION ITEM:**

Recommendation to form two standing subcommittees in Spring 2012:

- Framework Subcommittee to review the 30-Credit Transfer Framework and related issues
- 2. Assessment Subcommittee to evaluate and assess effectiveness





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## **DISCUSSION ITEM:** Develop a communication strategy for the statewide program articulation initiative.





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### **New Business**



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# Happy Holidays!

