

Transfer and Articulation Oversight Committee Meeting

10 AM – 12:30 PM
Thursday, November 17, 2011
Harrisburg, PA

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

Agenda

- August 18, 2011 TAOC Meeting Notes
- November 2011 Updates & Announcements
- Implementing Statewide Program Articulation
- Program Articulation Committees
- New Subcommittees
- Educating Pennsylvania on Statewide Articulation



ACTION ITEM:

Recommendation to base student verification for statewide program articulation on students' "effective graduation date" rather than the institution's "effective implementation date".

Elements for PA TRAC Database

- **Associate-Degree Institutions**
 - Institution Name
 - Name of Articulated Associate Degree(s) (i.e., Administration of Justice)
 - Award Type (i.e., AA, AS)
 - Effective Graduation Date
- **Bachelor-Degree Institutions**
 - Institution Name
 - Name of Parallel Bachelor Degree(s) (i.e., Criminal Justice)
 - Award Type (i.e., BA, BS, etc.)
 - Effective Matriculation Date

Hypothetical 2-Year Example

- HACC determines its current AA in Psychology meets the requirements prescribed in the Psych Agreement.
- HACC enters the following elements in PA TRAC:
 - Institution: **Harrisburg Area Community College**
 - Award: **Associate of Arts**
 - Degree Name: **Psychology**
 - Effective Graduation Date: **May 2012***

***Any HACC student graduating w/ the AA-Psych in May 2012 and beyond should be viewed by the receiving 4-year as an “articulated student”.**

Hypothetical 4-Year Example

- Millersville University determines the BA in Psychology to be its parallel bachelor degree under the Psych Agreement.
- MU enters the following elements in PA TRAC:
 - Institution: **Millersville University**
 - Award: **Bachelor of Arts**
 - Degree Name: **Psychology**
 - Effective Date: **August 2012***

***Students starting at MU in August 2012 can transfer the articulated associate degree in Psychology with full junior standing.**

ACTION ITEM:

Recommendation to have participating institutions agree to the following statement:

"During the transition to the effective dates of the various statewide program-to-program agreements, the participating institutions will strive to be student-centered and make the transfer of credits as seamless as possible for students."

Timeline for Implementing Agreements Approved *Prior to August 31, 2011*

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology• Business• Chemistry• Computer Science• Earth Science• English• Mathematics | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Env Geoscience• Geology• Meteorology• Physical Oceanography• Physics• PK-4 Education• Psychology |
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ALL Participating Institutions

Date	Task
November 30, 2011	Assign 2 people to input articulation data in PA TRAC
December 5-21, 2011	Webinars on loading data in PA TRAC
January 1, 2012	Starting entering data in PA TRAC
March 1, 2012	Statewide articulation database goes "live"
August 1, 2012	Deadline to identify articulated degree programs in PA TRAC

Associate Degree Institutions

Date	Task
By Aug. 1, 2012	Review agreements approved prior to August 31, 2011.
	Identify AA/AS degrees for full transfer.
	Review each associate degree(s) against articulation requirements to confirm content/competencies are being met and to identify gaps, if any.
	If necessary, modify the associate degree to meet all requirements.
	Enter Degree Name, Award Type and Effective Graduation Date in PA TRAC.

Bachelor Degree Institutions

Date	Task
By Aug. 1, 2012	<p>Review agreements approved prior to August 31, 2011.</p> <p>Identify parallel bachelor degree(s) for full transfer and acceptance of the articulated associate degree under the agreement.</p> <p>If necessary, modify the parallel bachelor degree to allow for transfer with full junior standing to include credits being counted towards graduation.</p> <p>Enter Degree Name, Award Type and Effective Matriculation Date in PA TRAC.</p>

5 Minute Break



THANKSGIVING COMES AND GOES, BUT GORD ALWAYS HAS THE LAST LAUGH

ACTION ITEM:

Recommendation to allow the Business Agreement to serve as the primary articulation pathway for Economics and to use advising statements to help students understand their options.

Advising Statement for Economics

Students planning to pursue Economics have various major options at the participating colleges and universities. Students can obtain a bachelor degree in Economics or they can focus their economic training in a related area such as Business, Political Science or Math. For this reason, students should work closely with an academic advisor to select the transfer pathway that meets their specific interests. All students planning to major in Economics are advised to complete Microeconomics and Macroeconomics as part their articulated associate degree.

PAC Updates

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

Dates to Remember

December 2 – PACs submit 2nd Draft to TAOC for review

December 2-9 – TAOC members submit comments on 2nd Draft

December 16 – PAC submits Final Draft to TAOC for vote

ACTION ITEM:

Recommendation to form two standing subcommittees in Spring 2012:

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

DISCUSSION ITEM:

Develop strategies for educating all stakeholders on statewide program articulation.

New Business

Next Meeting:
10AM-12:30 PM
Thursday, December 15, 2011

Locations:
Harrisburg,
CC of Beaver County, Bucks CCC,
Clarion University & IUP



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Happy Thanksgiving!

