

Transfer & Articulation Oversight Committee Meeting

10 AM – 12:30 PM
Friday, September 17, 2010

Dixon University, Harrisburg, PA

Remote Locations:
Bucks CCC, CalU & IUP



Meeting Agenda

- **General Business**
- **Pilot Program Articulation Projects**
 - Statewide Articulation Agreement Template
 - TAOC-Approval Process
- **New Articulation Agreements**
 - Revisions to PAC Model
 - Areas of Study
 - Timeline
- **Next Steps**

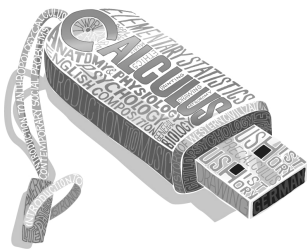


Expected Meeting Outcomes

- Develop a template agreement that defines the “rules” of statewide articulation and adds context to the major-specific agreements developed by the PACs
- Identify the process by which TAOC will approve the pilot agreements in October
- Revise the pilot PAC model, as needed, to form PACs in new areas of study
- Identify new areas of study for statewide articulation
- Develop a timeline for the new PACs
- Identify the next steps in implementing Act 50

General TAOC Business

- Potential Opt-Ins – Carlow, Chatham, Neumann
- Equivalency Synchronizer – No additional synchronizers developed after June 30, 2011
- Transfer Data Collection & Reporting
 - Fall 2010 data due March 11, 2011
 - Spring 2010 data due July 29, 2011



General TAOC Business (cont.)

PA TRAC Website: Updates due by August 31

- Program Inventory for Program Search
- Transfer College Profile
 - General College Information
 - Transfer Credit Policies
 - Transfer Appeal Process
 - Articulation Agreements



Pilot Articulation Projects

- Draft articulation agreements posted to PA TRAC thru Sept. 22
- PACs will review and consider comments as they complete agreements
- Oct. 15 – Final PAC agreements due to PDE for TAOC approval

Statewide Program Articulation Agreement Template

- Will serve as template for all statewide articulation agreements
- Will contain the “rules” for implementation and responsibilities of institutions
- Major-specific requirements will be incorporated after TAOC approves PAC agreements



Articulation Template: Intro-Section 4

1. Legislative introduction
2. AA/AS is fully transferable as first two years of parallel degree program w/o course-by-course evaluation
3. Students will be granted full junior status
4. AA/AS will include minimum 60 college-level credits, not including developmental, remedial, career, technical or applied courses
5. Agreement guarantees degree transfer and applicability to graduation requirements of bachelor degree



5. Responsibilities of Associate Degree Institutions

- AA/AS degree include:
 - Minimum number of major-specific credits
 - 30-credit Transfer Credit Framework
 - Arts and sciences electives designed and acceptable for transfer, not including developmental, remedial, career, technical or applied courses
- Validate the student has met the major requirements by awarding the associate degree
- Designate on the student's transcript that the associate degree qualifies for transfer under the statewide agreement



6. Responsibilities of Bachelor Degree Institutions

- Recognize all competencies attained within the AA/AS degree
- Accept a transfer student who has earned the associate degree with full junior standing into a parallel bachelor degree
- Grant equivalent degree expectations and requirements for native and transfer students
- Apply the same requirements for admission to the major as applied to native students

7. Major-Specific Requirements

Proposed Associate Degree Articulation Model:

		Credit Hours	Requirement
Transfer Credit Framework Requirements			
Category 1	English Composition	3 credits	[INSERT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENT IF IDENTIFIED]
Category 2	Public Speaking	3 credits	[INSERT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENT IF IDENTIFIED]
Category 3	Math	6-8 credits	[INSERT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENT IF IDENTIFIED]
Category 4	Natural Sciences	6-8 credits	[INSERT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENT IF IDENTIFIED]
Category 5	Behavioral/Social Sciences	6 credits	[INSERT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENT IF IDENTIFIED]
Category 6	Arts/Humanities	6 credits	[INSERT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENT IF IDENTIFIED]
TOTAL		30 credits	
Major-Specific Competency Requirements			
[INSERT AREA OF COMPETENCY (i.e., SEQUENTIAL CALCULUS)]	[INSERT CREDIT REQUIREMENT]		[INSERT SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS OR CRITERIA]
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TOTAL			[TOTAL # OF CREDITS REQUIRED FOR MAJOR IN ASSOCIATE DEGREE]
Remaining Associate Degree Requirements			
Electives, as defined by the Associate Degree Institution to meet the minimum number of credits required for an associate degree and the institutional graduation requirements for awarding the degree		[MINIMUM # OF CREDITS REQUIRED TO MEET THE 60 CREDIT REQUIREMENT]	Select courses designed and acceptable for transfer, not including developmental, remedial, career, technical or applied courses.
TOTAL		[MINIMUM # OF CREDITS REQUIRED TO MEET 60-CREDIT TOTAL]	
AA/AS with Emphasis in [INSERT FIELD OF STUDY]		Minimum 60 credits	

Articulation Template: Sections 8-9

8. Assessment

9. Transfer Appeal Process

10. Institutional Dispute Resolution





Implementation Date & Applicability

- Affects students transferring with an AA/AS that meets the major requirements of this Agreement.
- Assoc. Degree Institutions will offer AA/AS degree by Fall 2011.
- Bach. Degree Institutions will accept the full AA/AS degree and apply it by Fall 2013.
- Agreement remains in effect until TAOC approves revisions.



Proposed TAOC-Approval Process

Task	Deadline
Oct. 15	Final PAC agreements due to PDE
No later than Oct. 18	PDE emails agreements to TAOC for review
Oct. 21	TAOC discusses agreements and either approves and recommends to PDE <u>OR</u> returns to PAC(s) for revisions
Oct. 29	All agreements approved by TAOC
Nov. 5	Agreements posted online & distributed to campuses

Revisions to PAC Composition?

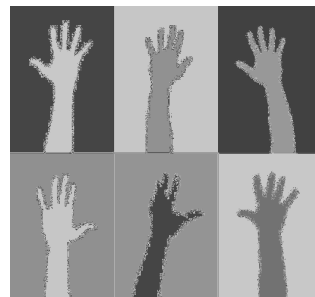
Each Pilot PAC currently includes 13 members from the three sectors & TAOC



- 5 CC reps – 4 teaching faculty from the field & 1 non-teaching rep with an understanding of transfer and articulation
- 5 PASSHE reps – 4 teaching faculty from the field & 1 non-teaching rep with an understanding of transfer and articulation
- 2 opt-in reps – 1 teaching faculty member from the field of study and either an additional faculty member or 1 rep with an understanding of transfer and articulation
- 1 TAOC member to be appointed by PDE

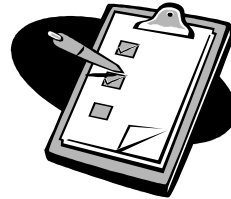
Revisions to PAC Nomination Process?

- Currently each sector determines own representation.
 - PA Commission coordinates/appoints CC reps
 - Office of the Chancellor coordinates/appoints PASSHE reps
 - PDE coordinates/appoints Opt-ins reps
- Only representatives from participating institutions w/ degree programs included in the PAC may be considered for appointment by the sectors.



Current Selection Criteria

- Required by Act 50
- AA/AS degree already aligned to a bachelor degree
- Bachelor degree does not require more than 120 credits
- Program-to-program articulation agreements already exist
- Major is not subject to complicated accreditation requirements
- Enrollment in the degree programs
- Number of TAOC institutions offering degrees in the area of study



Potential New Articulation Agreements



- 4-8 Education
- Business – CIP 52
- Social Work – CIP 44
- Mass Communication/
Journalism – CIP 09
- Criminal Justice – CIP 43

Proposed New PAC Timeline

Deadline	Task
October 15, 2010	Nominations due to PDE
Mid-November 2010	PAC Kick-off Meeting
April 15, 2010	Draft Agreements due to PDE
April 15-30, 2010	Agreements posted online for comment
May 15, 2010	Final Agreements submitted to PDE for TAOC-approval
June 1, 2010	TAOC approves agreements and recommends to PDE
June 15, 2010	PDE posts agreements online; TAOC members distribute agreements to campuses
Fall 2014	4-year institutions begin accepting students with associate degrees that meet the requirements of the articulation agreements

Next Steps

- PACs finalize agreements and submit to PDE by Oct. 15
- TAOC reviews agreements & either approves or returns to PAC(s) for revisions; All agreements approved by Oct. 29
- Oct 21 – Next TAOC Meeting



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