

PSYC SOCI EMPL IFCC

February 6, 2020

Web-Ex Virtual Meeting

Called to Order and Opening:

- The meeting was called to order at 2PM by Dr. Nathalie Dames. Dr. Dames started the meeting by doing a roll call by college to see who was in attendance. Each person introduced himself/herself when their school was called. The roster of those in attendance is below.
- State Chair, Dr. Michele Seay asked for questions, concerns or new business. The minutes of the February 13, 2018 meeting were reviewed and approved. Some instructors did not receive minutes. Dr. Dames will resend them after meeting.
- Dr. Dames introduced herself and gave a brief introduction due to recently taking over as the new Curriculum Program Specialist with TCSG.

OER Information:

Nikki Stubbs, Education Technology Coordinator with TCSG and OER liaison, provided OER information for courses and took a poll on how many instructors were using OER and how instructors would like to receive updated information when available- either through a new Master or just a folder with updated/new information that the instructor can add to their already developed Master. Half instructors are using an OER. Nikki asked for instructors not able to respond to poll to send her an email with their answers. Most instructors answered they would like to receive updated information individually instead of a new Master. Psychology OER is supposed to be reviewed/updated this early spring due to being 5/6 years old and also to have Sociology reviewed. Blackboard coordinators at each institution can give access to OER Master already created.

Discussion:

Comments were made about Psychology 1010 in regards to delivery mode and course expectations/outcomes:

- Instructors spoke about differentiating between 1010 and 1101 with students. Ed McGee at West Georgia Tech and Tiffany Fox at Southern Regional Tech both spoke about having different textbooks and different assignments for the two courses. McGee stated their 1010 students do not complete writing assignments such as a term paper and critical thinking assignments. Many instructors typed in the chat box similar comments.
- Some instructors are using OER for both 1010 and 1101 and modified to fit both courses and the level of learning within the two courses. Some are using a Cengage book for this course but are in process of building a new Master for 1010 using same OER from 1101. If using same OER for 1101 and 1010, 1101 has one more chapter/competency than 1010. State standards use different levels of Blooms Taxonomy.

- Bookstores can carry OER hard copy textbooks or printed copies for students if concern is that 1010 students want a physical textbook in hand. Nikki stated it was less than \$25 dollars to do so- can be printed by college, student, purchased through Amazon.. OpenStax does not send instructor copies- this is how they keep price down for students. Concern here would be in providing copy for DE students.
- Questions regarding how colleges differentiate to students if using same textbook for 1101 and 1010. Instructors that do this stated they inform students the learning outcomes/expectations are different and different assignments are made for each course.

Comments made about whether EMPL 1000 is still being taught:

- Some colleges are still teaching this course while others are now implanting College Success, Communications course or First Semester Seminar.

Additional topics address in forum:

- Dr. Seay asked on which courses instructors would like to see on the wish list for articulated courses. Human Growth and Development, Abnormal Psychology and Intro to Social Development were all added to this wish list. At the moment only Psychology 1101 and Sociology 1101 are transferable for USG for all TCSG schools.
- IFCC meetings in the future will be held as done today- Web Ex virtual meeting. This helps instructors meet more often if necessary.
- Next meeting will include course updates/changes and election of new officers.
- OER for advanced courses.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00pm.

Minutes submitted by Tiffany Fox, Secretary

Roster of attendees:

Albany Technical College-
 Athens Technical College- Kim Morris
 Atlanta Technical College- Ron Laws
 Augusta Technical College-
 Central Georgia Technical College- Mike Repzynski, Donna Dutcher, Susan Aleman
 Chattahoochee Technical College-
 Coastal Pines Technical College-
 Columbus Technical College-
 Georgia Northwestern Technical College- AJ Jackson, Dr. Jennifer Carter, Jodie Vangrov
 Georgia Piedmont Technical College- Linda Gilmore
 Gwinnett Technical College- Shawn Mathews
 Lanier Technical College- Michael Holman
 North Georgia Technical College-
 Oconee Fall Line Technical College-

Ogeechee Technical College- Lindsey Ward
Savannah Technical College-
South Georgia Technical College- Dr. Michele Seay
Southeastern Technical College-
Southern Crescent Technical College- Dr. Deborah King
Southern Regional Technical College- Tiffany Fox
West Georgia Technical College- Ed McGee, Karen Kelly
Wiregrass Georgia Technical College-