

VPAA
Webex
Monday, March 30, 2020
3:00 p.m.

Welcome- Dr. Kathryn Hornsby

1. College lab usage/portal submission and related questions- Joe Dan Banker

- Lab portal just to be used for opening labs on your campus. For minor exceptions. For specific courses, for specific students. If you're getting a response from external source, such as GEMA, you'll need to call Jennifer
- Two things to consider: 1.) Safety of your faculty, staff, and students and, 2.) completion of course work.
- Single lab portal submission per course. Include: How many students, what course, how are you going to maintain distance and safety, etc., Include Exact schedule (specific days and time).
- One submission per college. The president can cede submission to the VPAA. Their decision.
- You can submit request for stackable courses in which you want to open the lab (example – Welding lab for multiple level welding courses). If you do, stagger times for each course throughout the day. If you want to do this, give Joe Dan a call and he'll walk through the process.
- Students will be required to sign a waiver stating that they do NOT have to come. It is an option. Faculty are not required to sign a waiver. If you have faculty who are hesitant to come to campus, contact Josh McKoon.
- Question – can labs be opened in which students need contact with other students – 6 feet distance cannot be maintained. PPE would be used. Per Joe Dan – include in the plan how you would provide safety and monitoring.

2. Internships and Clinical Waiver – Joe Dan Banker

- Liability is the onus of the clinical site. They do not need to sign a waiver if they were already in process at a clinical site. If you start a new internship/clinical, a waiver should be signed.
- This is being discussed by legal at the system.
- Question regarding paramedicine interns who have been on the front line working with possible COVID-19. Those students would not need to sign a waiver as they were currently working at the time of the outbreak.

3. Distance Education Update- Robert Keown/Pam Warren

Robert: continue to work with your college faculty and POC's. Showed DEAC website listening training events and resources. OER cohort – still in discussion regarding what to do with new courses.

Pam: website being updated daily. All webinars being recorded.

4. Extending the deadline for Incompletes and the impact on financial aid (SAP 66% completion requirement, mini semesters, etc.,) - Derek Debrowiak

- “I” grades, waiting on guidance from DOE regarding financial aid impact.
- It is a college decision whether to issue I grades.
- Until semester or mini-esters end, do not issue “I” grades. You must wait until the term officially ends.

5. Update Regarding New Program Opportunities- Kathryn Hornsby/Sandra King

A. Reentry Nursing- Holly Free

- GBON asking for assistance in starting reentry program for PN and perhaps RN’s. Nurses who have not been practicing for several years, but who have been licensed in the past. There are 2 programs for RN’s in GA, both are with USG colleges.
- With health crisis, there is a need for PN reentry.
- There are strict GA policies/rules that will need to be followed. Will be shared by Dr. Hornsby.
- Looking to implement initially on the noncredit side.
- Holly will investigate with ACEN
- If there is an interest, contact Dr. Hornsby.
- Curriculum will need to be developed. Curriculum will need to be standardized for GBON to pass.
- Requirements for each applicant.

B. Cloud Academy- Jason Strickland

- Cloud Academy is changing focus from a hybrid model to a fully online model.
- Amazon Academy is the recommended curriculum. It includes recorded lectures, ebooks, and video lessons. Faculty must be certified to use this curriculum.
- Faculty training and testing is available online. I am available to help onboard any faculty who are interested in completing the training.

C. Fin Tech- Sandra King

Provided overview of what Financial Technology (Fin Tech) is: the use of computer programming and technology in financial services. Examples: Mobile banking, crypto currency, investing.

Interested colleges: Gwinnett, Lanier, Columbus, Georgia Piedmont, CGTC, West GA. Atlanta Tech has considered it.

6. College Calendars- Kathryn Hornsby

Calendar on hold for the moment until we have a clearer picture of COVID-19 situation. Email went to IE contacts from Randy Dean today relaying this information.

7. Cosmetology Update – Anthony Gallman

Continues to be in constant contact with the Georgia Board of Cosmetology and Barbering. Online videos will continue to be allowed for the remainder of the semester. Board allowing demonstration videos from faculty. If student watches, they can be given credit. Students are not allowed to film themselves performing. Students still required to do “hands-on” work.

8. Other Questions- All

Kermele (Columbus): Are any colleges making their own 3-D masks for faculty to use in labs. Joe Dan: Believes that Savannah and Gwinnett are and may have template. Amy replied that CGTC is and was asked to share.

Dual Enrollment: For a future meeting, could we discuss self-pay for dual enrollment students who are in 9th grade or those who exceed 30 credit hours?

Meet Mondays and Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m.