

Instructional Faculty Consortium Committee Meeting (IFCC)

MINUTES

MARCH 7, 2014 10:00 AM

CENTRAL GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

PROGRAM	Veterinary Technology
FACILITATOR	Holly Free
SECRETARY	Dr. Bonnie Ballard
ATTENDEES	Dr. Bonnie Ballard and Ryan Cheek, RVT from Gwinnett Technical College Dr. Carole Miller, Dr. Jeff Light and Anna Santos, RVT from Athens Technical College Dr. Janice Grumbles and Billie Walker, RVT from Ogeechee Technical College Sharon Poitevint , RVT from Southwest Georgia Technical College

Agenda Topics

CURRICULUM REVISION	ONE HOUR	HOLLY FREE
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DISCUSSION	<p>The committee was told that the credit hours for the program must be reduced from 80 hours to 73 hours regardless of program type. The reason for the change is a result of many different agencies. SACS and COC along with the Complete GA/US initiative, plus demands from the governor have resulted in this decision. There is a concern that a two year program is taking longer than two years to complete. There is a concern that our programs may have a hard time competing for students who can go to colleges in adjoining states that have lower credit hour requirements.</p> <p>TCSG is removing COMP 1000 from the required curriculum which is 3 hours. It was learned that TCSG does not set prerequisites for courses. These are decided by the individual colleges.</p> <p>We must have at least 15 credit hours in general studies as most accrediting bodies recognize this.</p> <p>Developmental courses are not including in the 73 credit hours.</p> <p>Only three programs have been allowed a waiver to have 76 credit hours. These are Radiographic Technology, Respiratory Therapy and Medical Sonography. No more waivers will be granted.</p> <p>The committee was reminded that TCSG does not desire to move to a community college or a four year university, as its mission is to be able to quickly put people into the workforce.</p> <p>According to the KMS data base, a lecture hour is 50 minutes long and clinical clock hours are 60 minutes. Some colleges recognize all course hours as 50 minutes.</p> <p>The committee was also reminded that instructors can add more class time if needed in a course.</p>
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CONCLUSIONS	<p>The committee decided to make the following reductions in hours in addition to eliminating COMP 1000: Cut one hour from VETT 2210, cut one hour from VETT 2220, eliminate the medical terminology course which is 2 hours. Its course content would be put back into VETT 1060. VETT 2210 was a lab 3 course with 3 hours lecture. It will continue to be a lab 3 but the lecture component of the course will be reduced to 2 hours resulting in a new standard of 1500 minutes and 2250 minutes of lab. It will now be 1500 minutes of lecture and 2250 minutes of lab. VETT 2220 will be a Lab 2 class with 750 lecture minutes and 1500 lab minutes.</p> <p>The question was asked if medical terminology could be offered in another way. The answer is no. The only way it could be offered is through continuing education.</p> <p>These changes will not take place for a year as the changes must go through a probe in May and then go to SACS and COC for review. It will most likely effect the class of 2017.</p>
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ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Change data in the KMS website to reflect the changes	Holly Free	ASAP

VETT 1010		30 MINUTES	COMMITTEE MEMBERS
DISCUSSION	The VETT 1010 course was discussed. Ryan, Billie and Anna shared how they teach the course. Anna voiced concern about the content which seems a bit disjointed. The committee was reminded that during the quarter to semester conversion the course was scaled down with many previous competencies going to other courses.		
CONCLUSIONS	The identification competency from the hospitalization section will be moved to the breeds section under a renamed section called "Breeds and Identification". The item will read "Describe the common methods used for temporary and permanent identification in domestic animals."		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Change the KMS website to reflect the change.	Holly Free	ASAP	

STATE STANDARDS VERSUS AVMA TASK LIST		ONE HOUR	COMMITTEE MEMBERS
DISCUSSION	The current AVMA skills/task list was discussed. The committee agreed that the list should be studied so that deletions and additions can be put into the state standard, the syllabi and the skills logs the programs utilize. There is a concern that the wording of the task list does not always match the wording on the state standard. For example the state standard may use the word "describe" when the AVMA task list uses the word "create"		
	Dr. Grumbles asked that the VETT 2210 course have a name change, dropping "for Veterinary Technicians" from the course name.		
CONCLUSIONS	Dr. Grumbles agreed to work on this and the committee will re-visit this at the next meeting.		
	The committee agreed to have the VETT 2210 course name to read "Laboratory and Exotic Animals".		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Change the VETT 2210 course name in the KMS website.	Holly Free	ASAP	
Review AVMA skills list /revisit at next meeting	Dr. Grumbles/committee	10/10/14	