

VPAA Peer Group Meeting March 12, 2024 (Webex)

Kathryn did a brief welcome and then gave a reminder to the VPs about submitting new ID programs in KMS. Existing TCCs that can be slightly adjusted or modified to meet the new need should be the first choice of action. If a new program needs to be made the college should work with TCSG AA staff to ensure the approval process will be smooth and that any additions to the HCG listing may be delayed.

Kathryn then thanked the VPs for their support of the recent PN program changes. The new TCC was approved by the state board last week. Kathryn is checking to see if the new program can just be added to the college APLs by the ITDR team instead of having colleges submit NPRs. Details will come from Kathryn soon. Kathryn also thanked Dr. Perren for working with SACSCOC and Dr. Sightler about this program change. It appears to not be a sub change but Kathryn will write up a document for colleges to use for documentation stating that the award level changed as well as some credit structure. The therapeutic Massage program revision will move on to the PC academic committee for review next week. Only three colleges needed to vote on this probe and all three supported the changes.

Saundra King then provided an update on the cosmetology program change., the last version of changes in hours was going to present issues for DE students. The IFCC will revisit the contact hours again and try to find a suitable solution. Dr. Anderson also stated that the ACA hours for adjuncts could be a problem as well for colleges.

The next topic was an update on the PLA project. Kathryn reminded the group that discussion on awarding PLA credit for certain Economic Defeloment training had taken place at the fall peer group in Statesboro and that Michael Williams from Wiregrass had been working on cross walk information. A subgroup of folks had determined in the past few months that at least 3 courses in the industrial systems area could be eligible for PLA credits as well as the EMPL course. Both the industrial systems and the EMPL faculty had reviewed the PLA information and agreed to support these cross walk proposals. Kathryn will get the PLA information posted soon and hopefully it can receive full approval by the presidents sometime this spring.

Saundra Then went on to share the latest up to date articulation with the GA DOE for mechatronics. Basically the assessments section had another option added as requested at the last meeting. The group agreed to support this revision and this articulation will now move forward for signing.

Kathryn then shared the most up to fate Gordon State articulation. Faculty credentialing has made this one a bit hard to work for all colleges in the system. However there were some revisions made to the listing in appendix B and this listing should now meet the needs of all the colleges and other courses could still be added individually by colleges who wish to pursue that route.

Melissa Frank Alston then reminded the group about the Cyber articulation meeting coming up on Friday. She described the parking protocols.

Robert closed out the day's topics by giving and update on the Ultra Experience upgrades coming for BB. The first step will; be the conversion/rewriting of master courses into the new platform and

then the individual sections. The GVTC team will be working throughout the summer and fall with the POCs and the go live date for users will be January 2025.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 pm.