

# CURRICULUM COMMITTEE TRAINING 2022-23

NAPA VALLEY COLLEGE ACADEMIC SENATE

## CCCCO ANNUAL CERTIFICATION

- Once upon a time, the Chancellor Office was responsible for certifying that all community college curriculum complied with California Regulations
- This authority has been increasingly delegated to local districts
  - Chancellors Office "chapteeT ue"

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# CURRICULUM BASICS

- Curriculum is an area of faculty primacy under Ed Code and Title 5
  - Academic Senate has "primary responsibility for making recommendations in curriculum and academic standards to Board of Trustees" <u>Ed Code §70902(a)(7)</u>

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### ROLE OF THE COMMITTEE

- The Curriculum Committee exists to evaluate and make recommendation primarily on matters related to credit and noncredit curriculum and to ensure that the college is complying with Title 5 regulations
- AP 4020 directs the Curriculum Committee to establish its own processes for reviewing new and revised courses and programs (through the Curriculum Handbook)
- All course and program additions, modifications, and deletions must be approved by the Curriculum Committee (along with the Academic Senate and Board of Trustees).

### LEVELS OF POLICY

#### **State**

- <u>California Education Code</u> (California State Legislature)
- California Code of Regulation, Title 5 (Board of Governors, ASCCC for 10+1)
  - Program and Course Approval Handbook (CCCCO with constituent input)

#### Local

- NVC Board Policy (Board of Trustees through collegial consultation)
- NVC Administrative Procedures (President through collegial consultation)
  - Curriculum Handbook (maintained by Curriculum Committee)

#### COURSE OUTLINE OF RECORD

- Course Outline of Record (COR) is a legally required document defined in <u>Title 5 §55002</u> that describes minimum objectives, content, assignments, methods of instruction, methods of evaluation, etc., for all scheduled courses
  - Faculty use published CORs to develop course syllabi
  - Articulation Officers and faculty from other institutions use CORs to determine content of courses
  - Students may look at CORs to determine whether they should take a class

# STEPS IN LOCAL REVIEW PROCESS

Full details in Chapter 4 of Curriculum Committee Handbook

- Step 1: Faculty Author proposes/modifies/archives course or program
- Step 2: Division Dean reviews proposal for scheduling elements, feasibility, mission
- Step 3: Articulation Officer reviews for CSU GE, IGETC, C-ID eligibility and transferability
- Step 4: Curriculum Analyst reviews for completeness and compliance (checks codes)
- Step 5: Faculty Co-Chair reviews proposal and assigns to content review
- Step 6: Faculty Librarian reviews for library resources
- Step 7: Faculty Rep reviews COR for <u>integration</u>, <u>clarity</u>, <u>completeness</u> and <u>DE standards</u>
- Step 8: Curriculum Committee votes on the proposal at its next meeting
- Step 9: Implementation (Academic Senate, Board of Trustees, CCCCO, Catalog)



# PREREQUISITES & COREQUISITES

- Requisites are an exception to CCC open course regulations that must be reviewed by the Curriculum Committee
- Prerequisites and corequisites must be renewed every 6 years (every 2 years for CTE)
- Discipline faculty generally required to document and compare exit skills (objectives) for prerequisite course with entry skills for target course through <u>content review</u>
  - Closely related lab/lecture courses and requisites required by 4-year institution or accrediting agency exempt from this
- CCCCO <u>Guidelines for Title 5 Section 55003</u> gives more detailed explanation

### REPEATABLE COURSES

- Curriculum Committee may designate courses as "repeatable," meaning students may earn credit for the same course multiple times
- <u>Title 5 §55041</u> limits repeatable course to three categories:
  - Repetition necessary for CSU/UC major requirement
  - Intercollegiate athletic course
  - Intercollegiate academic or vocational competition
- Students may still retake a course (not designated "repeatable) for other specific reasons defined in AP 4225; these do not need to be included in the COR
- CCCCO <u>Credit Course Repetition Guidelines</u> provides full explanation of regulations

# CERTIFICATES

• <u>Title 5 §55070</u> defines Certificates of Achievement as "patterns of learning experiences designed

### GENERAL EDUCATION

- Local General Education requirements are defined in <u>Title 5 §55063</u> and <u>AP 4025</u>
  - 3 units each in Area A: Natural Science, Area B: Social and Behavioral Sciences, Area C: Humanities, Area D: Language and Rationality, and Area E: Multicultural/Gender Studies (for now)
  - Additional graduation requirements: 2 courses in American History/Institutions (AA only), 3 units in Kinesiology/Health, and Math, Reading, and Writing Competencies
  - Starting Fall 2023: 3 units in Ethnic Studies
- Stacey Howard can help faculty submit courses for articulation with other GE patterns, such as <u>CSU GE</u> and <u>IGETC</u>

### RESOURCES

- Some of the best resources on campus are people:
  - Seth Anderson (Faculty Co-Chair)
  - Stacey Howard (Articulation Officer)
  - Katherine Rhyno (Curriculum Analyst)
- Program and Course Approval Handbook (2019)
- ASCCC, <u>The Course Outline of Record: Revisited</u> (2017)
- <u>Taxonomy of Programs</u> (2004)
- Minimum Qualifications Handbook (2019)