

CCC Communiqué

February 24, 2025

News & Announcements:

- ❖ **Additions to Foothill GE:** On February 18th, CCC approved applications from the Apprenticeship division to map the major requirements for the Test, Adjust and Balancing (TAB) Technician degree program to Foothill GE areas. These approvals are not specific to individual courses; instead, any student who completes the full major requirements for the degree will fulfill the following GE areas (starting in 2025-26):
 - ◇ *Area 1B—Oral Communication & Critical Thinking*
 - ◇ *Area 2—Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning*
 - ◇ *Area 4—Social & Behavioral Sciences*
 - ◇ *Area 5—Natural Sciences w/ Lab*
 - ◇ *Area 7—Lifelong Learning*

- ❖ **New Certificate Proposal:** CCC approved the following proposal on February 18th. Please contact your Curriculum Reps and/or the faculty author if you have questions or comments.
 - ◇ Certificate of Achievement in Transfer Studies: Cal-GETC E. Gilstrap

- ❖ **New Subject Code:** At the February 18th meeting, CCC approved a new subject code of Non-Credit: Adult Learning (NCAL), which will be used by all divisions for their noncredit course offerings in the category of Courses for Older Adults. This approval was the result of lengthy discussions at CCC and two separate listening sessions held by Ben and Kurt. There are still many aspects of offering these courses to get figured out; if you have additional questions, please reach out to Ben or Kurt.

- ❖ **Updating Foothill GE:** At the February 18th meeting, CCC held a second read of application forms for each of the areas on the new Foothill GE pattern (eight total), which had been updated to include feedback shared during the first read and following that meeting. This was the third meeting at which these forms were discussed, as they were initially presented for discussion at the January 21st meeting, prior to the first read. The group also engaged in lengthy discussion in response to a suggestion, proposed by faculty emeritus Paul Starer, that CCC take the opportunity to substantively evaluate the Foothill GE application process beyond creating new forms similar to the previous versions.

This discussion resulted in the group's desire to engage in deeper discussions about our GE application process, while being mindful that any delay in approving new application forms may impact faculty interested in submitting applications for the 2026-27 catalog. Therefore, CCC approved the proposed new application forms as a stopgap measure, to be used for courses and degree programs applying for Foothill GE for the 2026-27 catalog. This will allow CCC the time needed to thoughtfully evaluate our GE application process and determine if revisions are appropriate and what those should be. It will also allow for the forms to be updated, if needed, to reflect changes to Foothill's Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILOs), which are reflected in the Foothill GE Breadth Criteria. Further planning is needed to decide how, when, and where these discussions will be held, and updates will be shared in future editions of the CCC Communiqué. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Ben!

Because the approved new application forms will be used only temporarily, they will not be added to the COR form in CourseLeaf; instead, we'll be using Word documents, just like in the olden days! You'll find all eight of them on [the CCC Curriculum Process Resources webpage](#). Faculty should submit their completed applications to their division curriculum committee for initial approval. The CCC Team is aware that some faculty are currently in the process of submitting Foothill GE applications for new courses in CourseLeaf; Mary will reach out to all faculty working on those courses to help transition them to using the new forms.

- ❖ **State Approval Received:** We recently received state approval for the new Associate in Science in Public Health for Transfer Degree (ADT), which was approved by CCC last year. This ADT will replace the current Public Health Science ADT starting in 2025-26. Congratulations to everyone who worked on this degree!

Reminders:

- ❖ **Upcoming Curriculum Deadlines:**

- *Friday, April 18th:* Deadline to submit curriculum (program) sheets for 2025-26 in CourseLeaf CAT (must be in "Curriculum Coordinator" status by this date)—*if you are a curriculum sheet owner, expect to receive an email from Mary in early March with more details/information*