**Micro-Credentials Taskforce II Fall 2022**

**Taskforce Background**

* The College’s current microcredential policy was provisionally accepted by the Faculty Senate in 2019
* This policy covers microcredentials involving credit-bearing activity
* Since then, the Senate has approved 15 microcredentials, which have enrolled 99 students and resulted in 57 awards
* The campus is expressing interest in forms of microcredentials not addressed in the 2019 policy, in particular microcredentials involving non-credit bearing activities
* The varieties of micro-credentials and campus constituents necessitates strategic discussion and planning across institutional Divisions for Old Westbury’s microcredential structure.

**Taskforce Charge**

A Taskforce will therefore be convened to:

* Evaluate current microcredential policies at the College in light of the campus’ experience with them to-date, SUNY’s evolving guidance, and other campus’ experiences
* Explore possible ​comprehensive models of microcredentials that include ​non-credit bearing activities and credential types**,**​ and identify the most suitable model for the College
* For each type of microcredential in the model, identify
  + definition and criteria/requirements
  + who can propose and “house” microcredentials
  + a shared-governance process for proposal approval and policy-making
  + a system of recognition (e.g., names of different MCs, what types of MCs will go on transcripts, etc)
* Recommend the model to the Faculty Senate and the Cabinet.

**Taskforce Membership**

* The current administrator of Microcredentials (the Director of the SPS)
* One other member from Academic Administration
* Two Members from Student Affairs
* 1 Member of the Curriculum and Academic Planning Committee
* 1 Member of the Student Life Committee
* 2 other Faculty (appointed by Faculty Senate chair such that at least one faculty from the SAS, the SOB, and the SOE is included)
* 2 Students (appointed by SGA)
* The taskforce will be co-chaired by one faculty member and one member of the administration to be determined by the corresponding members of the committee

**Taskforce Begin/End**

* Begin: The Taskforce’s first meeting will take place in October 2022
* End: The Taskforce will submit its recommendations to the Senate by February 24, 2023