



## Merritt College Counseling Department

Articulation Notes  
March 28, 2005

1. **ASSIST Enhances Major Prep Info** On March 29, 2005 the ASSIST Exploring Majors feature will now include CSU information as well as UC information.
2. **CSU GE Area B4 & Teacher Prep** There is an inconsistency between the level of Math required for elementary school teacher prep by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing and CSU GE Area B4. The CCTC requirement is lower than that of B4 (which is one level above Intermediate Algebra). This is problematic because students may be required to take an additional Math course to clear B4. The issue is currently under review by the CSU Chancellor's Office but, until something is decided, we need to advise students appropriately.
3. **LDTP Update** 30 discipline groups have each agreed on 45-or-more-semester-unit systemwide course patterns. Still determining best way to describe and post. Some components are commonly offered individual courses, others can be met by a variety of courses. Systemwide components will be in 45 to 60 unit range, with campus-specific components bringing total to 60 to 70 units. Goal is for final course descriptors and paths to be clear to everyone. LDTP due to launch June, 2006. E.O. says CSU campuses have one term from posting of the pattern to articulate the campus-specific components w/ local feeder CCCs (if not already articulated), and a total of two years to articulate the campus-specific components w/ other CCCs. Impacted schools/majors will develop transfer agreements that incorporate articulation requirements and LDTP campus-specific requirements so students know clearly what they have to do to get admitted.
4. **CAN Update** We just received notification that the CSU has decided to implement its own model for lower division transfer preparation instead of continuing to use CAN. Thus, the CAN System office will close on 6/30/05. Questions about CAN should be referred to staff at the CCCCCO and CSUCO. Bottom line: current CAN articulation will remain in effect and be honored until we are notified otherwise, and we should continue to publish CAN identifiers in our catalogs. They expect that as their new model is phased in, they will use many of the current CAN descriptors as models for their own descriptors. They are also working closely w/ ASSIST to coordinate the rollout of the new model (similar to the way CAN identifiers are currently published on ASSIST).
5. **Web Site Updates**
  - **AICCU Schools Accepting CSU GE & IGETC** The 2/14/05 spreadsheet showing those AICCU schools that accept CSU GE and/or IGETC has been published on the California Independents - General Advising Info page.
  - **MOU with National University** The CCCCCO recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding with National University outlining transfer preparation requirements. It's posted it on the National University page.
  - **LDTP FAQs** The CSU Chancellor's Office has published a list of FAQs about the upcoming Lower Division Transfer Pattern. There's a link to the document on the CSU General Advising page.