



Merritt College Counseling Department

Articulation Notes
October 7, 2002

- 1. 9/18/02 CSU Counselor Conference at CSU, Hayward** Prominent issue was phasing in of a 60-unit minimum requirement for admission. Several campuses have either already gone to it (Chico) or are going to it soon (San Diego State for F03). No one certain of effective date but some suggestion it would be for F04. Seems sensible to start advising CSU-bound transfer students to complete 60 units instead of current 56.
- 2. PCCD Forms Review Meeting 9/21 & 30/02** Forms review completed. Will be several changes and/ or deletions. Until forms revised, continue using current ones along w/ current procedures.
- 3. Vista 02-03 CSU GE Advising Sheet Corrections** Psychology 24 and 30 and Anthropology 18 should all be included in Area D for the 02-03 academic year (although none of them offered this year). Advising sheet will be revised after October 7 and, when we receive them, I'll put them in the red GE binder on the Counseling book shelf. In the meantime, I've handwritten these corrections on the advising sheet now in the red binder.
- 4. Fee for Credit by Exam** Per Howard Perdue at District A&R (9/26/02 WIZ mail), students are not charged the class enrollment fee when receiving Credit by Exam. This should be noted along with the rest of the CBE information on page 39 of the current Merritt catalog.
- 5. Error on UC Transfer Planner** There is an error toward the middle of the chart. Under "English Communication" in the IGETC area, the courses indicated are "One English composition and one critical thinking or English composition course". The wording should be "One English composition and one critical thinking/English composition course". Students must take courses in *both* areas 1A and 1B of the IGETC in order to fulfill the English Communication requirement for UC. A course in elementary logic, commonly called "critical thinking" will not satisfy this requirement. Neither will another English composition course. There has already been some misinterpretation of the requirement. Be sure to check that an approved IGETC Area 1B course is used for the English Comp/Critical Thinking requirement.
- 6. New Artic Agreement w/ Menlo** Just completed brand new, full artic agreement w/ Menlo College. Agreements for GE and Major Prep (Management, Liberal Arts, and Mass Communications). New agreements posted on Menlo page of Counselor Web Site.
- 7. CSULA Artic Agreement Updated** The 02-03 artic agreement with CSULA has been updated and posted on ASSIST.

- 8. Liberal Studies-Credential Track at CSU, Hayward** Posting on ASSIST has been corrected to note HIST 7A & 7B for Area I-C. However, when making correction, formatting on ASSIST was thrown off. Info is correct albeit in somewhat confusing form. CSUH will correct as soon as possible. When in doubt, use CSUH catalog to translate information on ASSIST.
- 9. Liberal Studies Major at CSUDH** Liberal Studies major was edited: Humanities/Fine Arts elective removed as unnecessary. Transfer students typically complete lower division Humanities/Fine Arts requirement for Liberal studies and GE with their GE certification.
- 10. BSN at Holy Names** Important to advise students planning to transfer to BSN at Holy Names that they most likely will not accept our SPCH 20 but will require either SPCH 45 at Merritt or a Public Speaking course at HNC after transfer. Our ADN requires SPCH 20 and doesn't want to change. No other local BSN program requires SPCH 45 over 20 (Samuel Merritt, CSUH, SFSU, SJSU, etc.) Sandie Takakura will be talking w/ HNC faculty about this but, until we're advised of a change, best to advise students this way.
- 11. NUTR GE/Graduation Requirements** Following statement rec'd from Susan Houston in 10/4/02 e-mail: "Page 154 of 02-03 catalog should read 'required' not 'recommended' under Group C GE/Graduation requirements. For now a student could probably challenge it for the AS degree, but it would be required to take those courses for registration/accreditation. This will be corrected in the next catalog".
- 12. Sequence of Courses for IGETC** This doesn't happen often but, occasionally, a student will have completed a 2nd course in a sequence before the first. When this happens, UC won't accept the second course, for IGETC Certification (even if we've certified). For example, our ENGL 5 (IGETC Area 1B) has ENGL 1A (IGETC Area 1A) as a prerequisite. If student somehow takes ENGL 5 before ENGL 1A (or, using a pass-along, if they take a 1B course somewhere else before taking a 1A course here), UC won't accept it. This is technically true for all sequenced courses (i.e. CHEM, HIST, MATH, etc.) but, in reality, all UC campuses except Riverside will accept courses taken out of sequence. Nevertheless, if we notice courses out of sequence on a transfer student's transcript, it's important to call the intended transfer school to identify and clear up any problems.