

# North Carolina College Transfer Program Association

## Minutes of the 2016 Spring Conference

February 19, 2016, at Gaston College

The meeting was called to order by CTPA President Heather Woodson at 10:15 a.m.

### Career and College Promise (CCP) Update

Dr. Lisa Mabe Eads, Program Coordinator Early Childhood, Public Service Technologies, Career and College Promise, North Carolina Community Colleges

**(See CCP Update S16.ppx for more information.)**

Dr. Eads presented an update on Career and College Promise programs. She explained that the CCP Online Application Pilot Project, expected to be completed later in 2016 but not in time for Fall 2016, will be available for schools who choose to use it. She also told the membership that the Associate's of Engineering Pathway has been sent out for approval to the colleges. She announced a correspondence chart mapping placement test scores to the new 2015 PSAT was presented to the State Board of Education for approval. The proposed cut scores will be English 26, Reading 26, and Math 24.5. She also explained that ENG 241, ENG 242, and MAT 272 have been added as UGETC courses, although how they will count for CCP students has not yet been decided. Updated transfer pathways are coming soon and will be effective Summer 2016. Dr. Eads explained that fourteen schools have been recommended to begin new Cooperative Innovative High Schools by a joint committee of the State Board of Education and NCCCS. The schools now await the allocation of funding from the General Assembly. Letters of intent for schools interested in applying for next year are due 4/15. And this summer CCP students will be able to take classes tuition free just like fall/spring semester.

In addition, Dr. Eads explained that Career Coach legislation goes to the State Board of Education today. Fourteen schools were recommended. More opportunities to apply are coming up. Coaches are college employees who will work in high schools. Colleges are encouraged to apply in the next round of applications.

A committee is working on CTE Articulation with Department of Public Instruction (DPI). The last update was in 2011. DPI contacted NCCCS about courses to stay on the list. First level meeting is just suggesting courses to be reviewed. Then college and high school faculty will look at course descriptions.

CCP will hold a spring joint meeting with DPI in April. A fall CCP Update Meeting will take place at the NCCCS Conference. There will be many more CCP topics on the agenda at the System Conference.

### Multiple Measures Update

Susan Barbitta, Director, Student Success Learning Institute/Multiple Measures Research Study at Guilford Technical Community College

**(See Multiple Measures S16.ppx for more information.)**

Ms. Barbitta presented data from a Multiple Measures self-study. Some of the schools added supplementary instruction through math or English labs. Other schools front loaded the college-level course with developmental education modules. Students took a pretest and a post-test, and the post-

test counted as part of their grade. The System Office will not have official data until 2017. They are finding higher numbers entering and completing, but lower pass rates.

### RN to BSN Uniform Articulation Agreement

Renee Batts, Associate Director of Allied Health, North Carolina Community Colleges

Ms. Batts presented information on the Uniform Articulation Agreement for RN to BSN, signed in February 2015. For information about the RN to BSN Uniform Articulation Agreement, see the NCCCS website: <http://www.ncccommunitycolleges.edu/academic-programs/college-transferarticulation-agreements/uniform-articulation-agreement-rn-bsn>. The agreement applies to all students admitted to Associate's Degree Nursing (AND) programs Fall 2016 or later. Ms. Batts explained that students who do the RN to BSN program at community colleges will require recoding so that they can go beyond the 76 credit-hour limit on ADN. They will need a new code for the additional hours.

She also discussed the Regionally Increasing Baccalaureate Nurses (RIBN) program, for which students do the first three years of their coursework at a community college and the fourth year at the senior institution to obtain a BSN. Ms. Batts said that this program works best for students coming directly from high school. She said the System Office plans to develop a competency-based program. The Academic Progression Nursing Committee is working to meet the goal of having 80% of nurses bachelor's degree certified by 2020.

### Associate of Engineering (AE) Update

Tonya Forbes, Associate Vice President, Arts and Sciences, Wake Technical Community College  
(See Associate of Engineering S16.ppx for more information.)

There is an Associate's of Engineering/Bachelor of Science of Engineering Articulation Committee, comparable to the Transfer Advisory Committee (TAC), comprised on 5 community college faculty, 5 UNC System faculty, and Wesley Beddard of the NC Community College System Office. You can find the Engineering Pathways on the website: <http://ncengineeringpathways.org>. The next step is working on the CCP Engineering Pathway. For this pathway, precalculus math will not count towards the degree. It will become effective Fall 2017 and will allow students to take upper-level math and science courses not available at their high schools.

### Prior Learning Assessment

Charles Gross, Director for Prior Learning Assessment and Military Credit at UNC-General Administration

Mr. Gross reminded membership that SB 761 requires all NC colleges and universities to develop ways to award credit for prior learning assessment. Using ACE recommendations for military training and experience, the state will be organizing committees of faculty to look at assessment in various disciplines, beginning with nursing. The Military Credit Advisory Council (MCAC) is a pilot panel that will evaluate military nurse training to develop recommendations for credit. Gross asked that colleges nominate faculty, particularly those with military background or ACE evaluation experience for

participation beginning in mid-March. CTPA members raised questions about number of credits required to be taken at the community college for graduation (a SACS requirement that 25% of course credit be taken at the awarding institution). Mr. Gross will research those questions and return with more information.

### Reverse Transfer

Mr. Gross also presented information for Michelle Blackwell, Director Reverse Transfer Program, UNC-GA, about reverse transfer. Over 1450 credentials have been awarded. All community colleges are now participating. Transcript data is sent every March and July to community colleges.

### NCCCS Updates

Jennifer Frazelle, Director of Academic Programs, North Carolina Community Colleges  
**(See UNC-GA Updates S16.ppx for more information.)**

### Associates of Fine Arts Degree

Ms. Frazelle announced that AFA degrees in three disciplines (music, art, and theatre) have been approved, and one-page checksheets should be coming soon. Colleges have the option to begin using them Fall 2016, with all colleges converting by Fall 2017. The music degree does not have as many UGETC courses; it will be fine-tuned, and there will probably be another revision this year. The NCCCS is beginning work on a uniform articulation agreement for AFA.

### New Courses in the CAA

Three new UGETC courses have been added to CCP Pathways, AA, and AS degrees: ENG 241, ENG 242, and MAT 272. Other additions as electives: ANT 230, ANT 238, ART 276, MUS 170, MUS 260. An error on the updated transfer course incorrectly lists includes EDU 216 and EDU 221. This error will be corrected next week. CCP Associate of Engineering Pathway will appear on the March agenda. Two-thirds approval is needed; then it goes to the State Board of Education. No more UGETC additions are likely. The TAC committee meets three times per year to consider combined course library, but there are no proposed UGETCs.

### President Search

By February 26, the committee will choose five finalists, who will interview during March. A new president should be announced March 31.

### NCCCS Conference in Raleigh, October 9-11

Registration for the conference is coming soon, probably Monday, February 22. Proposals are still being reviewed. To register visit [go.ncsu.edu/nccccc](http://go.ncsu.edu/nccccc)

### Jobs for the Future Student Success Centers

An executive director plus one staff member will reside at the System Office. The goal is to connect initiatives for student success.

A question was asked about why MAT 271 is not a UGETC for the AA and whether we need to request this addition.

Another question was raised about whether ACA 122 is a requirement or whether colleges are allowed to offer waivers. If waiver is allowed, what additional hour could substitute?

### **CTPA Elections**

Tracy Mancini, CTPA Past President and Dean of Arts, Sciences, and University Transfer at Durham Technical Community College, announced that nominations for CTPA officers were open until the end of the meeting. Ballots will go out next week. She also said a special thanks to Mary Marsha Cupitt, who retires this year, for her hard work for CTPA for so many years.

In August, Betty Hatcher steps up as the new president of CTPA. CTPA meets next at a breakfast meeting at the system conference. Please send agenda items to Heather Woodson or Betty Hatcher.