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Subject: RE: SJVC English 1 course

Okay, here's my 2 cents. If Norco's English faculty have reviewed the syllabus and deemed it equivalent to their approved IGETC 1A course, then it should be used on IGETC regardless of its CSUGE status. I agree with Kathryn, that maybe the CSU needs to look at the course again, but one shouldn't confuse CSUGE and IGETC. For example, (and I can't remember at the moment which CSU, but I think it's SF) there is a perfectly acceptable English composition course (let's call it English 100) at a CSU that fits the Standards and is accepted by UC for UC-E for admission. However, the CSU uses the next course in the sequence (English 101) to clear A2. If the student were going to another CSU, we couldn't pass along the English 100 course because it didn't clear A2 at the CSU where it was taken. However, we could use it on IGETC, because it fits the Standards. To me, this is similar to the SJVC scenario. If the Norco faculty finds that the SJVC course meets the Standards, then it should be passed along on IGETC. The course should be evaluated on its own merits, not by if it acceptable for CSUGE .

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-----Original Message-----

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Dear Folks,

Sorry I wasn't around to contribute to this discussion last weekend.

I agree with the decision to not certify SJVC's ENG 1 if taken F08 or later, but I must admit I'm perplexed by what I am seeing (or not seeing) in SJVC's catalog. In F10 we approved two courses (I'm assuming in combination) for CSU GE Area A2: ENG 121 Composition and Reading Part A and ENG 122 Composition and Reading Part B. Yet, when I look at SJVC's catalog on College Source (they only have the 2010 catalog available), I only see ENG 1, not the other two courses. I tried to find a 2011 catalog on their website but even the site map doesn't list it. Given this, I have to ask 1) what happened to ENG 121 and 122, and 2) if the NORCO faculty thought ENG 1 was comparable to their A2 course, should the CSUCO review that course outline again? Perhaps SJVC strengthened their ENG 1 rather than create two new courses.

Here's the course descriptor for ENG 1 (2010 catalog):

ENG 1: Writing and Composition
3.0 units - 45 hours

This course is designed to provide competency in intelligent interpretation and correct and effective expression of the English language. Oral and written examples of English will be reviewed for the organization of material, clarity and directness of style, and idiomatic correctness. A wide variety of poetry, prose, and expository types of literature will be explored. Experience in the preparation and format of a research paper is included.

Nicholas's follow-up question is interesting. I would say that if the NORCO faculty reviewed and accepted the SJVC course as comparable to NORCO's A2 course, and if the course was anything BUT disapproved for CSU GE Area A2 (i.e., either an approved course or no evaluation made) then it would be acceptable to certify IGETC using that course (this falls within the procedure outlined for "pass along" in IGETC). It was the fact that this course was specifically denied use by the CSU that precludes its use in a certified IGETC.

Kathryn

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Thanks to you all for your feedback. I am a 1st year AO and I appreciate all of the help.

I do have a follow-up question:

If this course was taken when it was approved for CSU GE A-2 could we then certify it for IGETC? Or is it safer to not use it for IGETC at all?

Thanks again!

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Dawn and all,

This is my response that I sent to Ken and Kathryn for their input -- you and I agree; I just noted problems IF the CCC elects to use it. I am confident that both Ken and Kathryn will also provide comments (and correct any inaccurate statements I made).

BTW, how are the kids?

Good seeing your name! Hope all is well --

Fondly,

Judy

Per the IGETC Standards, I don't think the course is eligible:

5.2 Non-California Community College Courses on IGETC

Appropriate non-CCC general education courses in the humanities, mathematics, social sciences, and natural sciences that are completed at United States regionally accredited institutions should be routinely included in IGETC. For example, California Community Colleges should not hesitate to include such traditional introductory general education courses as Psychology, Sociology, Economics, Political Science, Biology, or Chemistry that have been completed at non-CCC colleges. Care should be taken to carefully scrutinize course outlines for content, prerequisites, texts, units, and IGETC Area Standards (See Section 10.0 for Standards). Particular care should be taken when evaluating non-CCC courses to fulfill IGETC Area 1B, Critical Thinking and Composition. Few non-CCC second semester English Composition courses offer a course in Critical Thinking/English Composition. Guidelines to determine if a course is appropriate can be found in Section 10.1.2b.

And

6.6 Summary of Non-Applicable Courses, including but not limited to the following:

Courses not transferable to the CSU and UC Pre-baccalaureate courses (including remedial English composition)

The CSU already "scrutinized" the course outline and denied it GE credit.

I think the certification is not valid as the campus used a course which was reviewed by the CSU and denied GE credit; therefore, admission to the CSU is now in jeopardy as the student does not meet the English requirement for admission.

Nicholas is encouraged to discuss this with the Norco English department -- they can accept the course for elective credit if it is considered baccalaureate level, but the campus should not certify it for GE.

Judy

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Ken,

If you have reviewed the course already and found that it does not meet your GE criteria than the answer for IGETC should be no. After all, IGETC is a combination of both IC and CSU GE criteria.

Make sense?

Dawn Sheibani

On Oct 7, 2011, at 2:13 PM, "O'Donnell, Ken"
<kodonnell@calstate.edu<mailto:kodonnell@calstate.edu>> wrote:

Hi, Nicholas,

You raise a great point below, which I haven't seen before. I'm copying in some others.

The issue: regionally accredited institutions that don't participate in GE Breadth may have their courses passed along by the institutions that do participate. E.g. Norco passes along a course from Chapman University.

But when a private institution opts in to GE Breadth (e.g. FIDM), it's a double-edged sword: now they get to certify, but now we've also said which of their own courses may NOT be passed along by another certifier.

Per the scenario at Norco below, this puts us in an awkward spot when a CCC wants to pass along coursework from a participating private, in this case San Joaquin Valley. It may pass along the course for IGETC (since SJVC doesn't -- and can't -- participate in that pattern), but may not pass along the same course for GE Breadth, since we denied it. So we're left with an upside down relationship, where IGETC is less restrictive than GE Breadth.

Thoughts?

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Hi Ken and Dawn,

I have a question in regards to the San Joaquin Valley College (Private Community College) ENG 1 course. I have a student who took this course at SJVC in Spring 2010. On the CSU GE certification sheet it was approved until Fall 2008. So it was no longer approved when it was taken according to the CSU GE document.

However, our English department considers the course to be equivalent to ENG-1A in the Riverside Community College District. So by IGETC standards it can be used in IGETC area 1A. Our evaluations department will allow the student to move on and take ENG-1B in our district.

My question is would this be okay for IGETC? It threw me off a little bit to think that a course might be used for IGETC but not for CSU GE.

My second question is would SJVC ENG-1 (taken during Spring 2010, if that makes a difference) + Norco College's ENG-1B meet the UC minimum eligibility requirement for English Composition?

Any clarification you can provide with this would be great.

Thanks for your help,

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