

Docket Item:

Dual Credit Oversight Committee - Update

Summary:

The Dual Credit Oversight Committee reviews programs offering dual credit in Oregon. Oregon's Dual Credit standards were adopted in 2009 by the Joint Boards and serve to support the community colleges and universities in Oregon as they develop dual credit programs within the state. "The Oregon Dual Credit Program Approval and Renewal process provides for a programmatic self-study to demonstrate continuing assurance that the Oregon Standards are being met and to document program changes since initial program approval."¹ Following a revision in the national standards to which Oregon Dual Credit Standards are benchmarked, the standards were revised and were adopted in 2014 by the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC). HECC assumed the role of the Joint Boards in statute in 2012.

The Committee is made up of K12, community college, and university representatives. The Committee convenes quarterly, and then each year in August to review dual credit programs in Oregon as per the established timeline. Once approved, Oregon dual credit programs are required to renew approval every 6 years.

The Dual Credit Oversight Committee most recently conducted an evaluation of Eastern Oregon's Eastern Promise application for program approval. Eastern Oregon University submitted an application in January 2015, and the final meeting of that review process was held on May 28, 2015. The Committee decided that both Eastern and Western's innovative accelerated credit programs are outside the purview of the Oregon dual credit standards.

Three community college programs are scheduled for review this summer, on August 24 and 25 at Portland State University. The reviews are completed by August 30 each year and the Committee will bring recommendations to the Student Success and Institutional Collaboration Subcommittee at their fall meeting (September/October).

Docket Material:

The updated overview and Timeline for Program Review is attached.

Staff Recommendation:

Information item for Subcommittee discussion and input.

¹ Page 1, Oregon Dual Credit Program Approval and Renewal Guide and Procedures:
<http://www.ode.state.or.us/teachlearn/subjects/postsecondary/dualcredit/revised-dc-program-renewal-guide-11-25-14.pdf>

Dual Credit Oversight Committee Overview - 2015 update

I. Purpose/charge

In alignment with the educational goals of Oregon's 40-40-20 the Dual Credit Oversight Committee provides support for the Oregon community colleges and universities as they develop dual credit programs within the state.

The Dual Credit Oversight Committee reviews dual credit programs and offers recommendations during the program approval and renewal cycle. The Committee was established in 2008 at the direction of the Joint Boards of Education, operating through the Unified Education Enterprise (UEE), to implement the program application and certification process for Oregon's dual credit programs. The Oregon Dual Credit Standards were developed by the Dual Credit Oversight Committee and adopted in 2009 by the Joint Boards of Education. The Dual Credit Standards are in response to the requirements of Senate Bill 342 and align with Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 340.310. Since the fall 2014, the Committee makes recommendations to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission's Student Success and Institutional Collaboration Subcommittee.

II. Authorities/responsibilities

- Establish and publish the dual credit program approval submission timelines.
- Provide systematic review of approved programs as identified by the Oregon Dual Credit Standards.
- Provide recommendations for program approval to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission.
- Conduct a review of the dual credit standards in a systematic manner.
- Collect input from the Dual Credit Coordinating Council concerning the dual credit programs and related standards. Examine the input and respond to it with recommendations and changes to processes and standards, if applicable.

III. Membership

The committee is made up of administrators, faculty, and program coordinators from Oregon's high schools, community colleges, and public universities.

Standing members

- Larry Cheyne, Director, Office of Education Partnerships- Clackamas Community College
- Marla Edge, Director of Academic Agreements - Oregon Institute of Technology (Chair)
- Kuli'a Ferguson, Assistant Principal – Arts & Communication Magnet Academy
- Deron Fort, Director of High School Connections - Lane Community College
- Debbie Hagan, Director of Secondary Programs - Central Oregon Community College
- Sally Hudson, Director, Challenge and LINK High School Programs - Portland State University

Standing ad-hoc members

- Jennell Ives, Dual Credit and Accelerated Learning Specialist - Oregon Department of Education
- Lisa Reynolds (Staff), Education Specialist - Community Colleges & Workforce Development
- Erin Weeks-Earp (Staff), Alignment and Articulation Policy Specialist - Higher Education Coordinating Commission

Timeline for Dual Credit Programs: Approval (Renewal)

2010 (2016)

Lane Community College
Central Oregon Community College

2011 (2017)

Portland State University (also is NACEP accredited)
Clackamas Community College
Oregon Institute of Technology
Rogue Community College
Portland Community College

2012 (2018)

Chemeketa Community College
Southern Oregon University
Tillamook Bay Community College
Southwestern Oregon Community College
Umpqua Community College

2013 (2019)

Blue Mountain Community College
Columbia Gorge Community College
Mt. Hood Community College
Klamath Community College
Clatsop Community College

Pending review, 2015:

Treasure Valley Community College: (provisionally approved, 2014): Resubmit 2015
Linn-Benton Community College (provisionally approved, 2014): Resubmit 2015
Oregon Coast Community College (tabled in 2013): Submit for provisional approval 2015

Programs Outside the Dual Credit Oversight Committee Purview:

Eastern Oregon University
Western Oregon University