

English Articulation Working Committee

MEETING MINUTES
BRITISH COLUMBIA COUNCIL on ADMISSIONS AND TRANSFERS (BCCAT)

KPU

Meeting Date(s): March 2 & 3, 2023

Present – Day 1

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Recorder: Alice Winkel - CNC

Welcome from Cari-Ann Gotta – Chair with territorial acknowledgement from Sean Conway (KPU)

1. Meeting Called to Order at 9:00 am.
2. Introductions/welcome
3. Approval of Agenda and Any Additional Items
Motion: to adopt the Agenda as is
Moved: Margaret Buxton (VCC) Seconded: Mark Friesen (UFV) Carried
4. Approval of minutes of the Articulation Committee meeting of March 1 & 2, 2022
Minutes previously approved by email.
5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes (if any)
N/A
6. Committee representatives list
Cari-Ann will send an email with the list of representatives. Please review and let her know if there are any errors or omissions.
7. Institutional Reports (Round Table)
Updates were provided from all 16 participating institutions. Themes included low student enrollment and completion rates. Most institutions are offering a combination of online and in-person classes with higher enrollment in online offerings. Many also reported on changes to administration and the effect on ABE programs.
8. Articulation of New Courses
Camosun ENGL 095 (P) presented by Kristine. Motion for approval/Second – Colin/Noreen. Passed.
Camosun ENGL 090 (T) presented by Ria. Motions for approval/Second – Naomi/Noreen. Passed.
9. BCCAT Transfer Grid Excel Spreadsheet Update

The spreadsheet for the transfer guide will be circulated by email for updates.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00.

Super Meeting to follow at 1:30.

Present – Day 2

| Member Institution | Representative | Email |
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Recorder: Alice Winkel - CNC

1. Meeting Called to Order at 9:00 am.
2. Welcome – Cari-Ann Gotta (Chair)
3. Approval of Agenda with Additional Item
 - Melinda, Wilma and Karen from the First People’s Committee to join meeting at 10:45 to discuss goal statement revision principles and process.
 - Motion:** to adopt the Agenda with addition
 - Moved: not recorded Seconded: not recorded Carried
4. Learning Outcomes Revision Project – update & discussion

Spring 2021 - Sean worked with a committee to draft revised intermediate outcomes. Further revisions are needed.

Spring 2022 - Committee (Cari-Ann, Anne, Margaret, Alice) met twice. After the first meeting each group took a skill area to draft revisions. At the second meeting we presented and discussed our proposed revisions. A third meeting was scheduled but not held.

A key point of discussion was the need for reference material. Two possible ways to meet this need include an addendum or to have key words in the outcome able pop up with a breakdown of that skill. If the second option is desirable follow up is needed with steering committee chairs/BCCAT IT.

Cari-Ann met with Melinda from the First People's Working Committee to discuss Indigenization of the English outcomes. Melinda recommended that we draft a reduced number of outcomes first and then consider incorporating Indigenous principles.

Next Steps:

1. Revision of the advanced outcomes needs to be completed. (Alice, Margaret, Colin - Spring 2023)
2. The provincial outcomes need to be revised.
3. Once all levels are revised the progression across the levels should be considered and necessary revisions made. (Fall 2023)
4. Revisit Indigenization of the outcomes/teaching approach in consultation with the First Peoples Working Committee.

Discussion following update – orality needs greater focus/presence and online asynchronous delivery needs to be considered when designing outcomes such as giving presentations. Alice will take lead on revisions during spring. Cari-Ann will pick it up in the fall.

5. Achievement of Outcomes - discussion

A couple of instructors have encountered situations where students are unable to meet writing outcomes in traditional ways. Discussion focussed on what it means to 'achieve' an outcome.

Points of agreement:

- The outcomes are wholistic therefore students must demonstrate abilities in all outcomes.
- The outcomes are 'required' as stated in the handbook.
- Accommodations are allowed such as use of voice to text technology, but do not excuse students from meeting the outcomes.
- Instructors can be creative in helping students meet the outcomes – such as use of technology, pair work, etc.

6. Goal Statement Revision - discussion

Melinda, Wilma and Karen joined the meeting to discuss revision of the ABE English goal statement.

What is undesirable:

- positioning Indigenous people as the other
- speaking of Indigenous people as of the past
- a statement with underlying presumption that students are of settler backgrounds

What is desired:

- recognition of educational institutions and the study of English as inherently colonialist

- to incorporate Indigenous ways/principles (4Rs – respect, reciprocity, responsibility & relevance)

Next Steps:

1. Karen will speak to other First People's committee members to determine interest/availability to work with an English Sub-committee (Cari-Ann, Sean) on revision of the goal statement.
2. Sean and Cari-Ann will meet with Karen and another member to draft a revisions of the statement.
3. A draft statement is to be brought to the group at the 2024 meeting for revisions. Significant time in the agenda should be allocated for this work.

7. Impact of Recent AI Developments for English Assignments

Instructors shared their experiences and concerns with student use of AI to generate written work. Sean will share a document outlining all of the writing tasks that AI currently cannot do for our reference. Discussion focused on ways to avoid having students use AI and the possibility of using it as a learning tool. A follow up discussion is to be scheduled for the 2024 meeting.

8. Other:

Mark shared that the ABE Conference will be in Harrison Hot Springs April 28th.

9. Next meeting:

Location & Date: TBD at the April Steering Committee meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00.