



Prior Learning Assessment

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PLA REVIEW BOARD AGENDA

Location: **Zoom**
Date: **Friday, October 1st, 2021**
Time: **10:00 AM**
Facilitator: Eric Tobin, PLA Review Board Chair

The Prior Learning Assessment Review Board is charged with designing paths and processes to value the informal learning experiences of students, as well as award credit through a verifiable process in accordance with the policies of the Collin College Board of Trustees, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB), and the Southern Association of College and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC).

AGENDA

- PLA Proposals:
 - None
 - Update on June 2021 Proposals
 - Approved: Polysomnographic Technology, Photography, and Engineering Programs
 - Pending Revision: Cybersecurity
- Linked Courses Update & Informational Report
 - About half of departmental plans have been received. At this point, no new linked courses can be proposed unless department submits their plan (Departmental Process Plan for Linked Courses)
- June Meeting Minutes
 - Motion to approve with corrected dates → seconded → approved.
- PLA Advising Form
 - Suggested Additions:
 - Add the ability to list all stackable credentials
 - Add note that any changes in award declaration will impact eligibility to apply the PLA credit
 - Add note that transfer of credits is not guaranteed
 - Add note to ensure testing center has applied other potential credits (like AP and IB)
 - Add disclosure that this is for planning purposes and doesn't signify final credit earned; students should confirm with advising with what is officially transcribed on the students account.

- Add note referring to
- Suggested Revisions:
 - Rename as “Advising Worksheet”
- General Concerns:
 - Many members discussed concern with signature approvals. There were concerns that the signature may incorrectly signify that the plan represents transcribed credits.
 - Members expressed concern for students who may apply PLA for one award, but then may change awards to a shorter award and then have too many credits and no longer be eligible to be awarded the shorter award.
- PLA Board Membership
 - Structure & Terms, Chair-Elect, CAB Liaison
 - Chair and Chair-Elect will work with the curriculum office to draft up a plan for staggering the end of terms and revised procedures for the PLA Review Board
 - Can the Chair-Elect be a Workforce Program Coach? The curriculum office will follow up on this question.
 - Members agree that a three-year term for members is appropriate.
 - Question needing follow up, can the CAB liaison be a director from the PLA Review Board? Currently, there isn’t anyone who is on both CAB and the PLA Review Board. Instead, Donna Smith has volunteered to serve as a CAB liaison since directors are invited to the CAB meetings already.
 - Members discussed the PLA Committee; there is no longer a need for the committee and the members suggested it is time for the committee to be dissolved.
- Set Meeting Date and Time for next Review Board Meeting
 - November 5th at 10 AM

PLA Review Board Attendance

Advising Representative (De’Aira Holloway)	X
Brian Sanders*	X
Donna Smith*	X
Eric Tobin*	X
Jeffery Johnson*	X
Jim Gilbert*	
Julie Williams*	X
Karen Musa*	X
Karen Stewart*	X
Kate Smith*	X
Kirk Dickey	X
Megan Chambers*	X
Monica Jones	X

Pat McAuliff*	X
Terrence Brennan*	
Candace Hamilton-Meserole/ Lily Quezada *	X
Tonya McMillion*	X

*Voting members (14)

Additional Attendees	
Castleman, Lacy	X
Gunderson, Wendy	X
Lopez, Mari	X
Monroe, Sarah	X