Noncredit Presentation

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Four Types of Courses

Degree-Applicable Credit Course

Non-Degree-Applicable Credit Course

Noncredit Course

Community Services Course (not-for-credit) (according to Title 5, 55002)

Purpose of Noncredit

- Prepares underserved students
- Transition point to credit instruction
- Prepares students to achieve academic,
 career, and lifelong learning goals, including
 preparing to succeed in college-level work

Noncredit

- No Units
- Repeatable (no limit)
- No Student Fees
 Needs approval from Curriculum Committee,
 District Board,
 State Chancellor's Office

Credit

VS

- Unit bearing
- Non Repeatable *
- Student Fees
- Needs approval from Curriculum Committee,
 District Board,
 State Chancellor's Office

Noncredit vs

- Generates Apportionment by 2 levels:
 - 1) Noncredit
- 2) Enhanced Noncredit (Career Development)
 * Receive certificates of Completion and Competency
- Limited to 10 different
 Categories

Credit

Generates Apportionment

- Receive Degrees and
 Certificates of Achievement
- * Articulation

10 Categories of Noncredit Courses

Title 5 58160 and CA Ed Code 84757(a)**

- English as a Second Language
- Citizenship for Immigrants
- Elementary and Secondary Basic Skills (Including Supervised Tutoring)
- Health and Safety Education
- Persons with Substantial Disabilities

10 Categories of Noncredit Courses

Title 5 58160 and CA Ed Code 84757(a)**

- * Parenting
- Education Programs for Home Economics
- Education Programs for Older Adults
- Short-Term Vocational Courses (Including Apprenticeship)
- Workforce Preparation Courses**

Noncredit Snapshot

- 68 out of 72 districts offer some noncredit
- Approximately 85% of CA noncredit is ESL
- Is subject to accreditation
- Allocation is based on positive attendance

AB 86

- Adult Education Block Grant (AEBG)
- Allocates Funding for Adult Education
- To redesign an education system that creates linkages for students across adult schools and community colleges to accelerate academic and career success

AB 86

- Basic Skills in Math and English
- * ESL
- Citizenship for Immigrants
- HS Diploma or Equivalency Certificate
- Education Programs for Adults with Disabilities
- Short-term CTE programs with High
 - **Employment Potential**
- Programs for Apprentices

SB 361

A comprehensive reform to the formulas that allocate general-reform apportionment to all 72 community college districts in CA.

 Recognizes fixed costs of operating colleges and fairer to smaller colleges

Improves calculation of district-specific enrollment growth caps

SB 361

- Basic Skills in Math and English
- * ESL
- Citizenship for Immigrants
- HS Diploma or Equivalency Certificate
- Short-term CTE programs with High Employment Potential
- Programs for Apprentices
- Workforce Preparation Courses

SB 860 (Noncredit Funding)

"Beginning in 2015-2016, career development and college preparation FTES shall be funded at the same level as the credit rate specified in paragraph (2). This rate shall be adjusted for the change in the cost of living or as otherwise provided in subsequent annual budget acts."

SB 860: 84750.5 (d) (4) (A) (ii)

Noncredit SSSP (student Success and Support Program) Colleges and noncredit adult education programs may expend noncredit SSSP funds for core services to students enrolled in:

- Basic Skills
- * ESL
- Short-Term Vocational
- Workforce Preparation

Noncredit Benefits to Students

- Affordable (Free)
- Focus on skill attainment, not grades or units
- Not affected by 30-units basic skills limitation
- No repeatability limits
- Open entry/exit
- Accessible to nearly all students
- Can take any amount of noncredit courses
- Can take noncredit in conjunction with credit courses*

Noncredit Benefits to Students

- Sridge to other educational/career pathways
- CTE: Preparation, Practice, and Certification (Entry level training leading to career pathways)
 Option if not eligible for financial aid to pay for classes
 Access to information about academic and/or career

opportunities and pathways

Can prepare and get ready for credit programs

Can be used as part of Multiple Measures Assessment

Noncredit Challenges (Students)

- Buy-in from students
- Students with B1/B2 and F1/F2 Visas are
 - not allowed to enroll in noncredit courses
- Support services
- Not transferable
- Part-time Instructor and availability

Noncredit Challenges (Students)

Majority don't require placement or assessment test (ESL*)

 No Financial Aid available (books or other materials must be bought by student)

Noncredit Challenges (Faculty)

- Faculty involvement
- Curricular articulation with adult schools
- Support services
- Funding received may be less than hoped for
- Technology issues for implementation
- Space/place for classes
- Chair workload
- Priority of hiring**

Questions?

Examples of Noncredit Courses

- Internet basics
- Medical terminology
- Legal terminology
- Introduction to Radio and Television
- Counseling
- iPhone/Android basics
- Microsoft Windows

Noncredit Certificates of Completion*

Are approved by State Chancellor's Office

A document confirming that a student has completed a noncredit educational program of noncredit courses that prepares him or her to progress in a career path or to take degree-applicable credit courses

Leads to improved employability or job opportunities

Examples of Noncredit Certificates of Completion

- * Accounting
- Book keeping
- Business management
- Office technology
- Health Careers

Noncredit program Certificate of Competency

Are approved by State Chancellor's Office

A document confirming that a student enrolled in a noncredit educational program of noncredit courses has demonstrated achievement in a set of competencies that prepares him or her to progress in a career path or to undertake degree-applicable or nondegree-applicable credit courses

Examples of Noncredit Certificates of Competency

- * ESL
- Basic Skills
- GED Preparation
- Adult High School Diploma

Noncredit Course Outline Requirements

- Course Number and Title
- Catalog Description
- Total hours of Instruction
- Objectives
- TOP Code/SAM Code
- Total Contact Hours
- Noncredit Eligibility Category

- Course Content
- Homework
- Evaluation (Grade Optional)
- Materials Fee
- Special Characteristics
- Justification of Need
- Class Schedule Description
- Part of Program/Certificate

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And for all others we forgot to reference, we are sorry but thank you.