

AB 1111: Common Course Numbering (CCN)

July 2024 through September 2024 CCN Update

Phase I Implementation: During the month of July and August, the Academic Senate for California Community (ASCCC) colleges finalized the content for the Phase I courses and final CCN content was delivered to the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (Chancellor's Office) and the [Phase I templates](#) were distributed to the colleges. A submission process to the Chancellor's Office Curriculum Inventory was identified and information distributed to the colleges in September via [\(ESLEI 24-53\)](#). During the summer, the Chancellor's Office, the California State University (CSU) and the University of California (UC) met to discuss articulation opportunities. The memo dated September 6, 2024 [\(ESLEI 24-53\)](#) outlines the status of articulation as of August 2024. During September, the Chancellor's Office hosted four webinars to guide colleges through Phase I of Common Course Numbering (CCN) implementation and provided open office hours for additional support. Key materials such as memos, slides, and webinar recordings are available on the [project website](#), with ongoing efforts to enhance its usability. The Phase I CCN Templates were modified based on feedback from the CCN Webinars and recommended by the CCN Council on September 26, 2024 and sent to the community colleges.

Technology Update: The CCN Technology Workgroup proposed an [11-character taxonomy](#) for CCN endorsement and presented a draft work plan to the CCN Council, which has been adopted by the Chancellor's Office. Further, a subgroup of the Technology Workgroup members reached out to technology vendors and the Chancellor's Office directly contacted vendors with taxonomy information. Vendor user group for the vendors were identified and communicated to the colleges.

Phase II implementation: The CCN Development Workgroup proposed more than 20 courses for Phase II CCN Template development and identified subject designators for the [Phase II courses](#). Phase II templates are targeted for faculty review by December 2024, released to the colleges in early spring with local implementation by Fall 2026.

Funding Update: [Assembly Bill 183 \(Higher Education Trailer Bill, 2021-2022\)](#) provided a one-time allocation of funds to support colleges with CCN implementation. The funding was released to the colleges in September and subsequent [ESLEI 24-55 funding memo](#) provided spending guidelines. An extension from July 1, 2024 to July 1, 2027 for the complete implementation of Common Course numbering was granted via [Assembly Bill 3290](#) on September 22, 2024.

What's Next?

Phase II CCN Template Development

The ASCCC is reaching out to academic senate presidents of the California community colleges, as well as system academic senate leadership of the CSU, UC, and other four-year partners, to identify discipline faculty to complete the content for the Phase II CCN Templates. Community college academic senate

presidents, as well as leadership of the CSU, UC and other four-year institution partners, were invited to nominate faculty members to participate in the Common Course Numbering Faculty Workgroups (CCNFW) that will be convened during the months of October, November and December for each of the 24 courses identified for Phase II. The goal for Phase III is to select 50 courses by Fall 2024, with templates to undergo intersegmental discipline faculty review by May/June 2025 for local implementation by Fall 2027. Selection criteria include systemwide enrollment, integration with CalGETC and prioritization of specific topics.

TOP to CIP Conversion

For many years, the Chancellor's Office has received requests from various stakeholders, including the ASCCC and the California Community College Chief Instructional Officers, to transition from using the Taxonomy of Programs system to the national Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) system for course and program coding. CIP is used at the state and national levels to collect and report a variety of information on programs and courses. Both the CSU and UC systems use CIP codes and support the transition for program alignment and the transition is necessitated by the implementation of CCN.