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RE: New TMC Version: Elementary Teacher Education Transfer Model Curriculum Substantive Change - Title Change

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Background

Senate Bill 1440 (Padilla, 2010) enacted the Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act, which required the creation of the associate degree for Transfer (ADT). To implement the legislation, the intersegmental Curriculum Council (ICC) was created to oversee the components and development of the statewide Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC) foreach discipline.

To ensure the ADTs continue to meet discipline curriculum standards, a five-year review process of each TMC was instituted. During the five-year review of the Elementary Teacher Education TMC substantive changes to the degree's curriculum necessitated the creation of a new version with the new title of Elementary Teacher Education: Integrated Programs TMC. This memorandum provides further information regarding degree versioning and action the CSU intends to take regarding similarity declaration. The California Community College Chancellor's Office has released the updated Elementary Teacher Education: Integrated Programs ADT Form on Feb. 1, 2025. The updated form is posted on the Chancellor's Office Approved ADT Submission Forms webpage.

Curriculum Guidance

Colleges are encouraged to initiate degree development as soon as possible and can begin awarding the new degree once approved by the Chancellor's Office Curriculum staff. Colleges currently offering an Elementary Teacher Education ADT have 18 months to provide a degree that reflects the new TMC version. For more information regarding degree versioning, please refer to ESS 22-300-009 (disseminated Aug. 4, 2022). Because both degree versions affect California State University (CSU) admission decisions, it is essential that colleges clearly identify the degree version they offer. To accomplish this:

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- When entering the new Elementary Teacher Education: Integrated Programs ADT into the Chancellor's Office Curriculum Inventory (COCI), the program must be entered separately from the prior version presently in COCI. This will result in colleges having two Elementary Teacher Education degrees: the original Elementary Teacher Education ADT and the new Elementary Teacher Education: Integrated Programs ADT in COCI. The different titles and control numbers will allow CSU to differentiate which version a student is using to transfer. New degrees must be labeled as Elementary Teacher Education: Integrated Programs.

- Colleges must also locally list and transcript the new degree to clearly differentiate it from a prior version (e.g., AA Elementary Teacher Education).

- When setting the status of the Elementary Teacher Education: Integrated Programs degree to "active" in COCI, colleges must simultaneously deem the prior version (Elementary Teacher Education) "Active-Teachout Only" in COCI. This action will cease new student enrollments in the older version's program while at the same time provide students the opportunity to enroll in the new Elementary Teacher Education: Integrated Programs.

Advising Guidance

It is important that students pursuing an ADT in Elementary Teacher Education are aware of both degree versions and understand which version is most appropriate for them.

- Beginning with the fall 2026 admission cycle, Cal State Apply will list both degree versions in the Extended Profile drop down section for selection when students declare an ADT during the application process.

- CSU campuses will continue to honor similar pathways for the prior degree version for no less than three years from the date of a new TMC's release. For example, all similar pathways to CSU campuses for the older Elementary Teacher Education degree will remain in place at least through February 2028 enrollment term.

- ADT search engines, such as provided on ICanGoToCollege.com or CalState.edu/Apply/Transfer, will list for selection both Elementary Teacher Education and Elementary Teacher Education: Integrated Programs. Similar pathways to a CSU campus will differ based on degree version.

Each CSU campus will review existing similar baccalaureate pathways based on the new Elementary Teacher Education: Integrated Programs TMC by Oct. 2025 and provide similar lists to the California State University Chancellor's Office (CSUCO). Those lists will then be used to update degree search engines for display as Elementary Teacher Education: Integrated Programs ADTs become available and are listed for search queries.

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