MEMO

November 24, 2015

TO:    Dr. Peter Quigley, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, UHCC
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FROM: Cognitive & Non-Cognitive Placement SubCommittee- Student Success Council

SUBJECT: Cognitive Placement Recommendations for Student Success Initiative

The Cognitive & Non-Cognitive Placement SubCommittees developed June of 2015 from the Student Success Council (SSC) was tasked with making recommendations for cognitive and noncognitive placement for both new English and Math initiative. The committees merged together in July due to the same core membership existing in both groups. The committee met in person and virtually over the last several months to determine what placement tools and options existed based on the models determined by the SSC and to decide on the final recommendations to be presented to the council as a whole.

The following is the final recommendation for your review. Numerous faculty, staff and administrators from across the UHCC system have provided input on these recommendations and we believe these will meet the challenge set forth by the SSC initiative to revamp developmental education across the system. Effectiveness of all placement tools/methods will be assessed and evaluated on an annual basis and should change based on analysis, efficiency and best practice.

English Placement Recommendation

● Meeting any of the assessments below places the student in ENG 100
  a. Smarter Balanced
     ■ Score 4
     ■ Score 3, plus B or higher in 12th Grade ELA
     ■ Score 2, plus B or higher in 12th Grade ELA course jointly approved by HIDOE and UH
  b. Cumulative HS GPA 2.6 or higher*
  c. 12th Grade ELA course or AP Language & Composition class- Grade B or higher*
  d. ACT - Score 18 or higher
  e. SAT - Score 510 or above in Writing
  f. HiSet College Ready - Score 15 or higher on Language Arts - Writing
  g. GED – Reasoning Through Language Arts - 170
  h. Writing sample

● Meeting any of the assessments below places the student in 1 level below

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a. Smarter Balanced
   ▪ Score 3 plus C in 12th Grade ELA course, jointly approved by HIDOE & UH
b. Cumulative High School GPA 2.0-2.5*
c. 12th Grade ELA course or AP Language & Composition class- Grade C*
d. ACT - Score 11-17
e. SAT - Score 310-509
f. Writing sample
   ● Student not meeting any of the above assessments or through a writing sample places the student in 2 levels below

Assumptions:
1. Use of these assessments to have students placed at the highest level possible*
2. Students not meeting any of the assessments above or unable to provide assessments will do a writing sample or take college placement tool (meaning- use placement tool to evaluate writing sample)
3. Students would self report- no need for documentation*
   a. If student does not self report to place at college level, they will submit writing sample or be placed via EdReady English or some comparable placement tool
4. No date limit*
5. Student may always opt to submit writing sample
   a. It is recommended that if self reporting is older than 7 yrs college recommends a submission of a writing sample or taking the college placement tool
6. Effectiveness of placement tools and filters will be assessed and evaluated on an annual basis based on analysis, efficiency and best practice. Needed changes will be implemented after two years of assessment/evaluation.

Math Placement Recommendation

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<th>Assessment</th>
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<td>Smarter Balanced</td>
<td>-- Score 4&lt;br&gt;-- Score 3, Student must successfully complete a yearlong calculus pathway course in 12th grade (including a combination of ALG III, Trigonometry, Analytic Geometry,</td>
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<td>Accuplacer (or whatever placement instrument is selected)</td>
<td>Appropriate score (to be determined)</td>
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**MATH PLACEMENT – COLLEGE ALGEBRA TRACK**

Meeting any of the assessments below places the student **directly** in MATH 103

The assessments below place students one level below college level. Students eligible to enroll in MATH 103 plus MATH 88 corequisite class

The assessments below place students two levels below college level. Students eligible to enroll in MATH 82

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Pre-Calculus, AP/IB Calculus) with a B or better

Cumulative High School GPA
Cumulative GPA of 2.6 or higher and successful completion of Algebra II with a B or better
Cumulative GPA of 2.6 or higher and successful completion of Algebra I with a B or better

ACT
Score 22 or higher

SAT
Score 510 or above

HiSet College Ready
Score 15 or higher

GED Mathematical Reasoning
Score 170 or higher

Accuplacer (or whatever placement instrument is selected)
Appropriate score (to be determined)
Appropriate score (to be determined)
Appropriate score (to be determined, a minimum score is required for placement at this level

Assumptions:
1. Use of these assessments to have students placed at the highest level possible*
2. All scores valid for two years only*
   a. Students whose scores are older than two years or have no SBAC/ACT/SAT/HiSET/GED scores will be required to test via Accuplacer or equivalent
3. Placement into MATH 135 and higher to be done via Accuplacer or equivalent
4. Students will self-report*
5. Kaua‘i CC will continue to pilot EdReady
6. EdReady will be reviewed to determine if it would be an accurate replacement for Accuplacer
7. System will continue to use COMPASS through Fall 2016
8. Effectiveness of placement tools and filters will be assessed and evaluated on an annual basis based on analysis, efficiency and best practice. Needed changes will be implemented after two years of assessment/evaluation.

Final Critical Note:
CONTINUED ASSESSMENT OF FILTERS ON ALL LEVELS NEEDS TO OCCUR SYSTEMATICALLY BY THE SYSTEM

Conveners:
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