



Council for Curriculum & Instruction Agenda

February 17, 2026

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Meeting location Learning Resource Center 250

Meeting documents are available on [CCI SharePoint](#) (CCCD login required) and [CCI website](#)

Mission - The Golden West College (GWC) Council for Curriculum and Instruction (CCI) provides guidance and oversight to ensure all GWC curriculum is academically sound, comprehensive, and responsive to the evolving needs of our students, and is compliant with Title 5, California Education Code, and the policies of the Coast Community College District. CCI is a standing committee of the GWC Academic Senate.

The purview and purpose of CCI is established as:

- Curriculum, including established prerequisites and placing courses within disciplines
- Degree and certificate requirements
- Education program development

Consideration for curriculum review. Is the proposed course and / or program:

- Appropriate to our mission?
- Meeting a demonstrable need?
- Compliant with current practices of CCI and the college?
- A “fit” with other classes or programs in the department? At GWC?
- Feasible within available resources?
- Taught with the appropriate rigor?
- Compliant with existing laws and regulations?

Curriculum Representatives (strikethrough = absent; italicize = virtual)

Area / Position Title	Representative Name
Art	Vacant
Articulation Officer (non voting)	Nicole Diamond
Automotive Technology, Digital Arts, Drafting	Michael Russell
Biological Sciences	Michael Valinluck
Business, Accounting, Management, CS	Rachel Zacharia
CCI Chair	Jennifer Bailly
Communication Studies	Tiffany Ruggeri-Dilello
Cosmetology	Jon Holland
Counseling & EOPS	Kristy Ho
Criminal Justice	Michael McCarthy
Curriculum Specialist (non voting)	Charissa McCord
English	Mujib Tahir

English Language Learning & English as a Second Language	Tiffany Lao
History & Education	Jeanette Adame
Kinesiology, Health Education, and Athletics	Vacant
Liberal Arts & Culture (ANTH, GEOG, GLST, PHIL)	Michelle Palma
Library	Cathy Le
Mathematics & Engineering	Gary Kirby
Nursing & Health Professions	Berlynn Ching
Part-time Faculty	Cat Ponsford
Performing Arts	Dawn Brooks
Physical Sciences	Matthew Carlson
Psychology	Jodie Butler
Social Sciences (ECON, PSCI, SOC, ETHS)	Ruth Cálcanas
Student Services Representative (non voting)	Christy Banales
Vice President of Instruction (non voting)	Jennifer Kalfsbeek-Goetz
World Language (SIGN, INTR, SPAN, VIET)	Veronica Pizano
Associated Students Representative (non voting)	Vacant

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1. Call to order
2. Welcome guests
3. Approval of the February 3, 2026 Agenda
4. Public comment (maximum of three minutes per speaker)
5. Information and Announcements
 - a. 2026 Curriculum Institute on July 15-18, 2026 in Sacramento. Cutoff to submit a CAR to the IPD Office to attend the conference and qualify for advanced payment of the registration will be March 27. ASCCC will open registration in late February.
 - b. CCN Phase 2B courses CIM submission deadline at Technical Review level is Monday, April 13, 2026 at noon.

REPORTS & UPDATES (maximum of five minutes per report)

Articulation report (Nicole Diamond)

CONSENT ITEMS

MUS G003N – Piano for Lifelong Learners (18 hours) Fall 2026
New course. [\(12-02-25\)](#)[\(2-3-2026\)](#)

MUS G004N – Guitar for Lifelong Learners (18 hours) Fall 2026
New course. [\(12-02-25\)](#) [\(2-3-2026\)](#)

MUS G005N – Choral Singing for Lifelong Learners (54 hours) Fall 2026
New course. [\(12-02-25\)](#) [\(2-3-2026\)](#)

PROGRAM PROPOSALS (maximum of 10 minutes total)

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. DEIA review policy for CORs (Draft attached)
2. Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) limits for designated CTE programs

CURRICULUM – SECOND READINGS

None.

CURRICULUM – FIRST READINGS

None

ADJOURNMENT

All CCI meetings are subject to audio and / or video recording at the discretion of CCI for purposes of maintaining a record of the proceedings. Agendas and minutes will be archived in CCI SharePoint.

In accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act and SB 751, minutes of the GWC Curriculum committee record the votes of all committee members as follows: (1) Members recorded as absent are presumed not to have voted; (2) the names of members voting in the minority or abstaining are recorded; (3) all other members are presumed to have voted in the majority.