

Faculty Senate DN3 Update 4-1-13

Entrance Requirements

Non-traditional students or those applying with low SAT scores will take the COMPASS exam. Previously we were going to reinvent the wheel and use our own placement tests.

Course Rotation

Attached is a better illustration than I gave last month.

Course Schedules

The sessions are now 7 weeks rather than 8 weeks. Two sessions can easily fit into one semester with a week separating them for financial aid processing. Otherwise, faculty teaching these classes would be teaching a week or so after the end of the semester for face-to-face classes. We previously had only five sessions, so such a schedule allows for a 6th session in the summer which will be used as a “make up” session for those students who fail a course or fail to complete a competency. Students repeating classes in this sixth session will not receive financial aid but will pay out-of-pocket. Such a schedule also aligns better for five new online programs in COEHP which are being offered in conjunction with Academic Partnerships.

DN3 Courses

DN3 students and regular CSU students cannot be in the same classes because Banner cannot handle two “term codes” for the same student. Thus, regular CSU students cannot be cross-listed with DN3 students even if we use different CRNs for the classes. See attachment.

Technology

We were going to offer Chromebooks but then found out they are not compatible with ProctorU. We now are going to loan the students Lenovo Thinkpad X130e.

ADA Compliance

Currently, most courses being taught online are not ADA compliant. Distance Learning Design & Delivery (DLDD) recommends the following activity plan for all online course designers (not just DN3):

- Register via the Quality Matters site and complete QM's Applying the Quality Matters Rubric online course;
- Complete D2L Faculty Training Course if you have not already done so (contact Marty Westrick at westrick_martin@columbusstate.edu for site access requests)
- Complete DLDD's 10-minute Faculty Needs Assessment for Online Course Design and Delivery

Then take these workshops:

- Workshop I, Learning Module Objectives and Assessment Strategies, is scheduled for Wednesday, April 10, from 10 am to 1 pm. For those unable to attend that day, Workshop I will again be offered on Thursday, April 11, from 10 am to 1 pm.
- Workshop II, Accessible Content Design and Active Learning Strategies, is scheduled for Wednesday, April 17, from 10 am to 1 pm. For those unable to attend that day, Workshop II will again be offered on Thursday, April 18, from 10 am to 1 pm.

All workshops will be held in Lib 005.

Contact Wayne Slabon or Marty Westrick to sign up for the workshops or D2L training.

Recruiting

A new recruiter for online programs is in the process of being hired.

Coming Soon

Here is what will be completed **in the next month** for DN3 students: advertising brochure, marketing website at csudegreein3.com, new online application (on .com site), new orientation page (on .com site), new portal for student resources and Cougar View (on .com site), uploading of DN3 course listings into Banner, purchasing of technology for students, contract with ProctorU, developing of templates, revamping of forms (such as Academic Standards appeal forms) for online submission, etc.

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