

October 12, 2017

If applicable, respond no
later than
November 15, 2017

MEMORANDUM

TO: CSU Presidents

FROM: Loren J. Blanchard, Ph.D.
Executive Vice Chancellor



SUBJECT: Implementation Timelines for Executive Orders 1100-Revised and 1110

The Chancellor's Office has received questions regarding implementation of recently issued Executive Order 1100-Revised, [General Education Breadth Requirements](#) and Executive Order 1110, [Assessment of Academic Preparation and Placement in First-Year General Education Written Communication and Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning Courses](#).

As a reminder, Executive Order 1100-Revised updates the existing CSU general education (GE) framework, clarifying requirements, affording equity in the application of general education policy and facilitating more efficient graduation.

The intent of Executive Order 1110 is to expand the use of multiple measures of assessment for readiness in English and mathematics for new students, strengthen the Early Start Program by focusing on baccalaureate credit-bearing experiences and provide the opportunity for faculty innovation in general education courses with appropriate academic and student support.

We understand that faculty on most campuses have already begun work on the curricular updates necessary under these policies. As they have engaged in this work, some have expressed concern regarding the ability to achieve a particular element of the updated policy by fall 2018, based upon unique campus constraints.

We recognize the distinctive academic environments of each CSU campus. As such, there may be situations that warrant consideration of a narrowly defined request for extension of the implementation date of a specific element of EO 1100. In these cases, the CSU Office of the Chancellor will consider extension requests. No extensions will be considered regarding

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Executive Order 1110 or elements of Executive Order 1100-Revised that align with EO 1110, such as updates to GE Subarea B4, Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning.

A request to delay implementation for a particular element of EO 1100-Revised may be submitted by the provost on behalf of the faculty and campus community, with endorsement by the president. Requests shall include:

- The specific, narrowly defined request for delay, identifying the policy section affected and explaining why more time is needed;
- A clear and compelling rationale to support the request for the benefit of students;
- A timeline detailing the work to be accomplished by specific dates;
- The term and year by which specific policy areas will achieve compliance with the EO; and
- Confirmation that efforts to address all other elements of the EO are continuing.

Two campuses, CSU Monterey Bay and Sonoma State University, have already been granted extensions until fall 2019, allowing delay of the minimum/maximum 3-unit general education course format requirement. Nearly all general education courses at these two campuses will require conversion from four units to three units. Based on informal inquiries received, it is anticipated that the number of additional extensions granted will be limited.

Requests

Requests addressing the above elements may be submitted to my attention by the campus provost no later than November 15, 2017. Requests will be carefully considered and will receive an expedited response.

c: Timothy P. White, Chancellor
Christine Miller, Chair, Academic Senate of the California State University
Provosts and Vice Presidents of Academic Affairs
Vice Presidents of Student Affairs