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SUBJECT: WHITE PAPER ON STREAMLINING CURRICULUM PROCESSES

Working through the guidance of California Community Colleges Curriculum Committee (5C), a work group consisting of Chief Executive Officers, Chief Instructional Officers, Deans, faculty, staff and Chancellor's Office staff, met numerous times over the last several months. Local and state curriculum practices were discussed with the primary focus of developing new policies and practices regarding local and state practices for curriculum approval.

This work group authored a white paper (attached), supported by 5C, regarding new processes for curriculum approval. The white paper is one of many steps being taken to streamline the curriculum processes that has been termed "streamlining curriculum" with the goal of having the new curriculum processes for credit courses and credit programs in place by the Curriculum Institute, July 2017. Once this has been accomplished, the workgroup and 5C will work on changing the curriculum process for Associate Degrees for Transfer and noncredit courses and programs.

Attachment: Streamlining Curriculum Processes in the California Community College System