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**MEMORANDUM**

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TO: Chief Student Services Officers
Transfer Center Directors
Articulation Officers

FROM: Linda Michalowski, Vice Chancellor
Student Services and Special Programs

SUBJECT: New IGETC Standards

I am writing to alert you that the new Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) Standards, which were approved at the December 2007 meeting of the Intersegmental Committee of Academic Senates, have now been approved by the University of California Office of the President (UCOP) for immediate use when certifying IGETC for UC-bound students. Please note that, until an official start date is issued by the California State University (CSU), community colleges are to use the previous IGETC Standards when certifying IGETC for CSU-bound students.

These new standard reflect extensive work by representatives of the three public segments of higher education and provide greater clarity to our colleges on IGETC certification. The IGETC Standards, which were originally released in 1991, have now been expanded into a well-organized, 31-page web-based (and searchable) manual. Trainings on the new IGETC Standards will be held at all four of the upcoming Ensuring Transfer Success (ETS) Institutes, and at the California Association of Community Colleges Registrars and Admissions Officers (CACCRAO) Conference in Lake Tahoe. In addition, presentations will be conducted at the California Intersegmental Articulation Council (CIAC) Conference in San Luis Obispo and at the Fall 2008 UC Counselor Conferences. Please encourage a member of your staff or counseling faculty to attend one of these trainings.

You can find the new standards, as well as an executive summary, at www.cacctcw.org/igetc.htm. Please note that that the IGETC Standards are hosted on the new CCC Transfer Counselor Website. After reviewing the new standards, I encourage you to peruse the rest of this exciting new website that has been designed specifically for community college counselors.

If you have questions about the new IGETC Standards, please contact Joanne Vorhies of my staff at jvorhies@ccco.edu.

Also, I would like take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributed to this very important project that will help facilitate the transfer of California community college students for years to come.