

Honolulu Community College
University of Hawai'i
Foundations Board Annual Report
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This report summarizes the work of the Honolulu Community College (HCC) Foundations Board during the 2007-08 academic year.

Course Renewals:

In 2006, several proposals were submitted, and the Foundations Board reviewed, suggested modifications, and eventually certified these courses with Foundations designations for five years. Similarly, the principal task facing the 2007 Board was to review additional proposals. Currently, all courses listed in the Honolulu Catalogue (the new one) will have been certified. Moreover, all courses listed in previous catalogues as F courses have had that designation removed if new applications for Foundations designation haven't been submitted. The courses listed below are Honolulu Community College's Foundations Courses. The next printing of our catalogue will reflect this information:

In Written Communication (FW)

- ENG 100 (2006)

In Global & Multicultural Perspectives (FG)

- HIST 151 (2006)
- HIST 152 (2006)
- REL 150 (2006)

In Symbolic Reasoning (FS)

- MATH 100 (2006)
- MATH 103 (2008, application currently under review)
- MATH 115 (2007)
- MATH 135 (2006)
- MATH 140 (2007)
- MATH 203 (2007)
- MATH 205 (2007)
- PHIL 110 (2006)

New Foundations Courses

For the most part, Honolulu Community College's Foundation Board has been limited to certifying courses that were designated as foundations courses in the original fast track process...with one exception.

Math 135

In 2006, Honolulu Community College certified Math 135 as meeting F/Symbolic Reasoning. Unfortunately, it was discovered later that Manoa's College of Arts and Sciences refused to accept this designation, a basic, if not grotesque, violation of the original Multi-Campus Agreement. In 2007, Leeward Community College passed a motion decrying this behavior by Manoa Arts and Sciences. Furthermore, Honolulu Community College has a similar motion awaiting approval by the FSEC. If this violation isn't corrected, it calls into question the basic worth of the Multi-Campus Agreement.

Foundations Board Website

Honolulu Community College's Intranet has a comprehensive Foundations website containing PDF versions of all system agreements, hallmarks and explanatory notes, an application form as well as PDF copies of all successful applications.

Multi-campus Foundations Board

The multi-campus Foundations Board, composed of the Foundations Board chairs of UH Manoa (UHM), Honolulu Community College (HonCC), Kapiolani Community College (KapCC), Leeward Community College (LCC), and WCC, met two times with one more meeting scheduled for April 8, 2008.

In the first two meetings for 2007-08, Maui Community College's application to the multi-campus Foundations Board was discussed and reviewed. Their application was approved in spring 2008.

The final meeting on April 8 will summarize the year's work and discuss relevant issues.