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Office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs  
Office of the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Undergraduate Education

**MEMORANDUM**

February 12, 2009

TO: Kenith L. Simmons  
Assistant Vice Chancellor  
University of Hawai'i at Hilo

FROM: Ronald E. Cambra  
Assistant Vice Chancellor

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ronald E. Cambra'.

SUBJECT: Articulation of UHH Area Courses to UHM's Diversification Requirement

Thank you for giving us an opportunity to look further into your General Education curriculum as it relates to our own.

The goals of my December 18, 2008 memo were:

- a) to simplify the often cumbersome and time-consuming processes of within-system articulation to UHM; and
- b) to recognize the work on General Education alignment that has occurred and continues to occur across most of the UH System.

I appreciated the document on UHH General Education that you attached; we here at Mānoa have not been as informed of what you are doing as we could be. Your Area requirements and their associated criteria closely parallel the Diversification requirements at UHM, at most of the community colleges, and at UHWO. The only significant difference I note involves your singular Humanities domain, a domain that, as a result of faculty decision-making, is divided into three categories at UHM.

That difference, it seems to me, is not significant enough to keep UHM from including UHH in our new articulation process for Diversification courses. Assuming that UHH follows the criteria and processes described in my memo and your document, and assuming that UHH will participate in any future assessments relating to this new articulation process, we will be happy to extend the process described in the December 18, 2008 memo to UHH courses. In the specific Humanities area, we will consider any two UHH courses that comply with the UHH definitions and processes (including the provision that the courses involve different humanities areas) as meeting the UHM Diversification requirements in the Arts, Humanities, and Literatures. A single UHH Humanities course will satisfy 3 credits of the UHM requirement. I think this should work best for the students.

Thank you for your interest and support. I hope that our faculties can cooperate more extensively on curriculum development and articulation in the future. The effort will benefit both our increasingly mobile students and our campuses.

cc: Peter Quigley, VCAA  
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