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## UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII

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**UHCC Placement Advisory Working Group  
November 7, 2013  
3:00 – 5:00 pm  
Dole Street Conference Room/Polycom  
Record of Proceedings**

Facilitating: Cheryl Chappell-Long, OVPCC

Attending: Noreen Yamane (Chancellor, HAW), Louise Pagotto (VC Academic Affairs, KAP), Earl Nishiguchi (Vice Chancellor Student Affairs (KAU), Writing Faculty Gail Levy (LEE), Reading Faculty Jeanne Ryan (HAW), Math Faculty Marilyn Bader (HAW) and Jody Storm (WIN), Banner Liaison Lynn Inoshita and Melissa Tome, Institutional Research Guy Nishimoto (LEE), Testing Center Melissa Yoshioka (MAU), OVPCC, Suzette Robinson, Sam Prather.

### **Welcome and Introductions**

Review of charge and composition of working group posted on the website.

### **New Business**

- ❑ Use of ACT scores for Math courses. Cheryl Chappell-Long reviewed the Memo dated June 14, 2013 and posted on the website that addressed using ACT and SAT scores for math placement. Also discussed the colleges and courses needing placement revision to align with the agreement.
- ❑ Progress on electronic receipt of ACT scores. OVPCC is working with the UH System Student Services Office to develop a system level electronic receipt of ACT procedure for students who have requested that their scores be sent to a UH institution so that Admissions and Records Offices will not need to enter scores by hand. Earl Nishiguchi confirmed that it would be discussed at their meeting week of November 11<sup>th</sup>.

UH System is also discussing procedure to receive ACT scores and transcripts via data portal. Under discussion are revising the on-line application to include student authorization.

- ❑ Kauai and Maui are currently piloting projects that use successful completion of high school Algebra II and high school gpa to place students into college algebra courses. Data to be shared following spring semester. Preliminary indications that this is successful.

There has been discussion to use lower ACT scores (18 & 20) to place students into English and Math courses. Colleges may be piloting this year with expectation to provide data to the system.

### **Continuing Business**

- ❑ Retesting - All reports indicate that re-testing along with the placement preparation and brush-ups have been successful. Policy change is allowing students to shorten time-to-degree without lowering student success.
- ❑ e-Write - Gayle Levy reported that Leeward is exploring ways to use e-Write at the college level. No consensus currently for this to be a system-level practice.
- ❑ **Next meeting - Spring 2014**