

## apprenticeship grant

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Hi Candace,

Earlier this week I attended a meeting at the Chancellor's office to hear about a new grant opportunity focusing on apprenticeships. This grant has a very quick turnaround: faculty approval would need to happen at the Sept. 11 Academic Senate meeting in order to meet the CCCCCO letter of intent deadline of Sept. 15. If you are ok with it, I would like to present it at the Senate meeting. Here are some summary points from my notes:

### Apprenticeship Pathways Demonstration Project

#### Background:

- Gov. Newsom is focusing on state workforce development with the goal of adding 500,000 apprentices by 2029 in a variety of trades.
- Gov. has partnered with Chancellor Christian in developing apprenticeships at the CCCs.

#### The project:

- Students will earn credit for apprenticing, not just as a resume builder, but potentially enough credits to graduate from community college.
- Apprenticeship credentials should have the same employability power as a degree, as job preparation, in a defined pathway in the trades, technology, and additional sectors.

#### The details:

- The CCCCCO is offering a \$200,000 grant for each college to develop or increase apprenticeships.
- These must be registered apprenticeships.
- Several pieces are still in the works at the CCCCCO:
  - How will we count the apprenticeships for credit? One example could be to use RSI (related and supplemental instruction) hours, e.g., 140 hours = 2 credits. 25 CCCs already convert RSI into FTES.
  - How will we tie in OJT (on the job training)? How will CPL (credit for prior learning) build into the SCFF (student centered funding formula)? How will fiscal reporting change?
  - Regulatory changes will need to be made at the state level.
- Technical assistance will be provided with the goal of building a "community of practice" among colleges to share resources.

#### What this means for us:

- The CCCCCO is asking for a commitment from each participating college, to include:
  - The college commits to developing/aligning curriculum for new certificates/degrees that build on apprenticeships.
  - The college commits to establishing CPL (credit for prior learning) processes.
  - The college commits to launching one or more apprenticeship pathway cohorts.

#### Timelines:

- "Commitments" statement due to the CCCCCO on Sept. 15 (letter of intent).
- CCCCCO releases the first half of the grant after a commitment statement is received.
- Work plan is due by Nov. 1.
- CCCCCO releases the second half of the grant after documents received: Curriculum Committee minutes for submitted curriculum, documentation of CPL (credit for prior learning) process, documentation of a cohort being launched.

Let me know if you have any questions or want to talk about it more.

thanks

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