



Oscar Overview

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What is OSCAR?

- ◆ Online Services for Curriculum and Articulation Review
- ◆ Web-based system for colleges to submit course outlines for courses being proposed for IGETC and/or CSU GE certification
- ◆ Automated faculty/staff review process
- ◆ Integrated with ASSIST database
- ◆ CSU Chancellor's Office initiative with an intersegmental advisory committee
- ◆ New idea currently being developed and tested to determine feasibility for the future
 - Initial phase focused on collecting outlines from a limited number of schools on a voluntary basis – other colleges to submit via paper

Why OSCAR?

- ◆ Annual IGETC and CSU GE review process has become too labor intensive
- ◆ Information submitted by colleges is often inconsistent or incomplete
- ◆ More colleges are developing or buying curriculum management systems that can provide course outline data electronically
 - OSCAR can use data from campus systems, but it is not a curriculum management system
- ◆ Other articulation processes could benefit from online access to course outlines
 - UC TCAs, CSU and UC campus articulation, CAN

OSCAR Main Features

- ◆ Web site for authorized CCC staff to enter and submit course outlines
- ◆ Colleges with computerized curriculum management systems can submit outlines electronically
 - Authorized CCC staff then confirm outlines and specify proposed IGETC and/or CSU GE area(s)
- ◆ Linked with ASSIST curriculum data
 - Outlines are linked to courses in ASSIST to verify accuracy of course information
 - Outlines submitted via paper will also be verified against ASSIST curriculum data by CSU/UC administrative staff
- ◆ Final IGETC and CSU GE decisions are transmitted directly into ASSIST

The Role of ASSIST in OSCAR

- ◆ ASSIST is developing the web site that will be used to by colleges to submit course outlines
 - Advisory committee is providing system requirements and is reviewing process, screens, etc.
- ◆ ASSIST will provide telephone and technical support during submission cycles
- ◆ After a submission cycle closes, ASSIST will transmit data on all submitted outlines to the CSU CO for the CSU/UC review processes
- ◆ After reviews are completed, CSU CO will transmit data on final IGETC and CSU GE decisions to ASSIST

Implementation Steps

- ◆ Advisory Committee share OSCAR Mission and Goals for information and comment - **Done**
- ◆ Advisory Committee finalize initial system requirements - **Done**
- ◆ CCC survey to find limited number of campuses interested in using OSCAR for the next IGETC/CSU GE cycle - **Done**
- ◆ CCC survey to identify campuses with curriculum management systems currently in production and interested in testing electronic linkage - **Done**
- ◆ ASSIST will finalize the web site - **Done**
- ◆ Detailed presentation of OSCAR at ASSIST Conference on November 12
- ◆ Limited number of CCCs use OSCAR for December/January IGETC/CSU GE submission cycle instead of paper

Preview of OSCAR System

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