

TMC Development Processes – TMC Posting and CCCC Template Availability

As a consequence of the passage and signing of SB 440 (Padilla, 2013), as well as issues that have emerged due to changes made to the CCCC templates for degree submission after CCCs may be in the process of having an ADT approved, there is a need to formalize aspects of the TMC posting and template availability process. Most significantly, there needs to be a clear indication of when a TMC is truly “final” and available for local degree development. As the CCC Chancellor’s Office and local CCC curriculum committee functions either slow down or cease during the summer, modifying or making new templates available September 1 and February 1 of each academic year would provide colleges with a firm start date for TMC-aligned degree submission and maximize the time during which curriculum committees are active during the 18-month period imposed by SB 440 for degree development.

Presently, TMCs are posted on the C-ID website when they have been accepted by the ICFW. Due to various factors, a TMC may be posted well-before the CCCC template is made available for degree submission. As such, it is critical that the posting of an accepted TMC not be viewed as the initiation of the ADT-development process. Furthermore, a delay between when a TMC is finalized and a template is made available allows for C-ID processes to precede degree development.

Therefore, it is proposed that TMCs be posted on the C-ID website for review and consideration as they are accepted by the ICFW with a note clearly indicating degree submission will not be possible until September 1 or February 1, depending on when the template is made available.