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## THE NORTHERN SCENE

By Michael Dang, NCIAC Chair



Welcome back to the 2006-2007 academic year. We are all busily sorting out articulation requests from faculty and ensuring that ASSIST information is current and accurate, as well as handling the many committee assignments we are routinely given. The summer has been active with information exchanged about state legislation, the implementation of LDTP as well as announcements about individuals moving in and out of articulation.

Region II is now co-chaired by Helena Bennett and Sheila White-Daniels after having this position vacant for a time. They had their first meeting via conference call. For a region which geographically represents almost a third of California, this is a great start to maintaining close communications with members. Other regions had changes in leadership as mantles were passed to incoming chairs. The regions are energized and ready for another year.

Over the summer, the NCIAC executive committee worked to identify the conference site for the 2007 CIAC conference. We selected the Westin San Francisco Airport Hotel with the conference set for April 26 and 27, 2007. Mark your calendars! We are looking for conference volunteers, so please approach any of the executive committee or Cari Pogan, who joined the conference committee early this summer.

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## THE SOUTHERN SCENE

By Janet Rizzoli, SCIAC Chair



Welcome back to Fall 2006! I'm looking forward to a busy year addressing articulation issues that are of importance to us all. The first order of business is to welcome aboard Dave Mack (Glendale Community College) as the Region 7 representative. He has taken the reins mid term due to vacancies created from the departure of Michael Stephans (Pasadena College) and Amy Schluock (UCLA). We wish Michael and Amy well and will miss them *and* the contributions they made to further the articulation process. We also have new co-chairs for Region 10; Yoly Woo-Hoogenstyn (UC San Diego) and Janice Johnson (Grossmont College) taking over for Stephanie Samuels (CSU San Diego). Thanks go to Stephanie for all her dedication and hard work. Fortunately, she's not leaving her position as Articulation Officer so we will have the benefit of her expertise in the weeks, months to come.

Our Fall SCIAC meeting is scheduled on October 16<sup>th</sup> at the CSU Chancellor's Office in Long Beach from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm. There promises to be lively discussions regarding LDTP, planning for the 2008 CIAC conference, readdressing the budget, legislative issues and our role in the bigger picture of articulation in terms of other organizations such as the Transfer Center Director's Association (TCDA). The Academic Senate of the California Community College (ASCCC) Executive Committee has recently activated the Transfer and Articulation Ad Hoc committee of which

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## Senate Bill 652

New

SB 652 (Scott 2006) requests that UC 1) address any deficiencies in the articulation of CCC courses for requirements that are common at a majority of UC campuses in similar top transfer majors; 2) for at least the top 20 majors, provide transfer paths that identify commonalities and differences in major requirements across all UC campuses and update the transfer paths annually; 3) as allowed by enrollment demand and available space, provide opportunities for students at any CCC campus to enter into transfer admissions agreements early in their academic coursework or at any appropriate time up to the point of admission; and 4) on a three-year cycle, conduct a study of transfer-preparing and successful transfer students to determine the effectiveness of the transfer paths.

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<http://ciac.csusb.edu/ciac/>

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Michael Dang, UC Davis



At a recent meeting to develop the conference theme and workshops, our musings lead to the question, what is the purpose of articulation? A surface conclusion might be developing major course comparability, or GE comparability, or coursework useful in meeting IGETC requirements. However, as we plumbed deeper waters, the more profound principle which lead many of us to make our careers in higher education surfaced, that of promoting transfer student success.

As I later reflected on this issue, I recalled two recent and important studies. California's future high school graduating classes will include fewer students who are eligible to enter four-year universities as freshman. A second study by the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation found that fewer first-generation low-income transfer students are admissible to selective universities and colleges. These are not revelations; many of us in the trenches see this on a daily basis. We work in our unique ways to address this deplorable situation. Some of us in the dual roles of articulation officer and counseling faculty, or program director or committee member, all work to change these dismal circumstances.

We are change agents, clarifying and promoting important policies and practices within our campuses and with broader communities. This past year we addressed both federal and state legislation which have far reaching influence on our students. In all probability, more governmental oversight will be proposed. We continue to work through the intricacies of LDTP. We will do likewise with UC's nascent developments in streamlining its campuses' transfer preparatory paths.

As we begin the 2006-2007 academic year, I am proud to work along side my dedicated colleagues to promote transfer student success. As we do our daily work, I want to thank you for being the clear voices pointing out the need to reinforce or substitute a weak timber as well as being the mortar which binds and supports building blocks of strong articulation policies. NCIAC is here to support all articulation personnel throughout the state. Please do not hesitate to call upon us for assistance, and we look forward to your support of the organization in the coming year. Have a great year!



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## THE SOUTHERN SCENE

Janet Rizzoli, CSU Channel Islands

Dave DeGroot (Allan Hancock College) and Kate Clark (Irvine Valley College) are members. They are not representing CIAC but perhaps there's an opportunity there to further the goals/reach of CIAC.

Legislative issues are of increasing concern in our business. Often we as individual articulation officers and as an organization feel powerless to the decision making process of the legislature. At the Fall 2004 CIAC Conference held in San Jose there was a strong recommendation to form a CIAC Legislative committee. Perhaps now is an appropriate time to follow up on that recommendation. To that end anyone with ideas on how CIAC might want to proceed in order to put us in the "thick" of things in the Legislature, please come forward. One thought might be to add a CIAC Legislative Liaison position to the CIAC Executive Board.

I encourage everyone to share your expertise with your academic community by participating in any related activity you can, such as transfer center meetings, curriculum committee meetings, academic senate and/or other faculty meetings, etc. Spread your knowledge of how articulation can help students and staff throughout your institution. Advertise the benefits of ASSIST to your campus community by posting information at various locations. Hold workshops for students, staff and faculty on how to use ASSIST. Many may not be aware of the fairly new *Exploring Majors* function and how it makes it even easier for students to choose a major and find the right campus to pursue the career of their dreams.

Attend counselor conferences, volunteer to chair or work on a committee—don't wait to be asked! Simply volunteer and make a difference. The opportunity will soon present itself as we begin to form committees for the 2008 CIAC Conference. Once again, SCIAC will be hosting the event, this time in San Luis Obispo.

Above all...take some time for yourself, revitalize your mind and body by getting out of your chair during the day; stretch or go for a walk. Take time out to go to a professional and/or personal development seminar. Get out of the office at a reasonable time at the end of the day and recharge your batteries. Spend time with your loved ones—you may even get to know them again! And if you start dreaming of LDTP patterns and/or OSCAR I suggest you seek professional help first thing in the morning.

Enjoy the year!

The CIAC Listserv began in fall 1999. It is a closed-forum listserv for e-mail dialogue related to articulation and transfer. The Listserv is maintained by CSU, Chico. The Listserv daemon is Kathryn Barth. There are currently 345 list members comprised of articulation officers, transfer center directors, counselors, segmental office personnel, and interested faculty and administrators across all four segments of California higher education. Please send your e-mail requests to join the Listserv to Kathryn at [kbarth@csuchico.edu](mailto:kbarth@csuchico.edu).

**WHAT IS THE CIAC LISTSERV?**



*Senate Bill 652 (from Page 1)*

To facilitate this new legislation, the UC Academic Senate has formally adopted Senate Regulation 477 (Streamlining UC Articulation) that establishes an annual process to ensure the articulation of CCC courses for common UC major requirements and will begin implementing this process this year. UC has also begun developing the UC Transfer Preparation Paths (initial Paths for Biology, Chemistry, History and Psychology were completed in September 2006) and will continue publishing further additions and updates on the new [www.UCTransfer.org](http://www.UCTransfer.org) web site. Discussion is already underway across all 9 UC Admissions Offices to improve transfer admissions agreement processes, and UC has already conducted an initial transfer student transcript study and is planning for an ongoing three-year cycle as requested in SB 652. Along with the new CCC-UC Joint Transfer Initiative, UC hopes to continue increasing the number and diversity of CCC transfer students each year.



# Articulation Officer Training

***Are you a new Articulation Officer to the CCC system? Or are you an AO with only one to two years under your belt and would like a quick refresher course?***

***We have training for you!***

**When: October 16, 2006**

**Where: CSU Chancellor's Office, Long Beach  
Wallace Room, First Floor**

**Time: 1:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**

**Contact: Joanne Vorhies at [jvorhies@cccco.edu](mailto:jvorhies@cccco.edu) or  
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### MARK YOUR CALENDARS



October 16—SCIAC Fall Conference  
CSU Chancellor's Office, Long Beach

October 20—NCIAC Fall Conference  
Los Rios Community College District Office

April 26 and 27, 2007— CIAC Conference  
Westin San Francisco Airport Hotel

### ASSIST Curriculum Update System will be Open

### Changes Effective

September 11 to September 22

Winter 2007 term

October 9 to October 20

Spring 2007 term

February 2, 2007 to February 16

Summer 2007 term

April 2 to May 4

Fall 2007 term



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