

**General Guidelines for Campus Endorsement**  
as of 30 July 2016

**Important Dates:** Between February 2016 and mid-March 2017, another 3 groups (Group D, Group E, Group F) of disciplinary pathways will need to be

- reviewed by FIRC,
- sent to all 17 campuses for possible endorsement (with endorsement results conveyed to Co-Managers),
- reviewed by the Academic Council of Provosts and Academic Deans,
- approved by the BOR's Academic and Student Affairs Committee (ASA), and
- given final approval by the BOR.

**February 19:** FIRC reviews Group D disciplinary pathways (Computer Science and Physics).

**Spring 2016:** FIRC members and disciplinary Work Group representatives bring Group D pathway documents to individual campuses for possible endorsement; accepted curriculum and governance procedures will be followed on each campus.

**September 9:** FIRC reviews Group E disciplinary pathways (Accounting, Business, Early Childhood TC, Finance, Foreign Languages, and Marketing).

**Fall 2016:** FIRC members and disciplinary Work Group representatives bring Group E pathway documents to individual campuses for possible endorsement; accepted curriculum and governance procedures will be followed on each campus.

**October 11:** Deadline for campuses to report endorsement vote results for Group D pathways to the Co-Managers. Campuses that vote not to endorse a pathway should provide a clear rationale. We ask the FIRC representatives to email the results, cc'ing the appropriate Work Group representatives from their campuses and their Academic Deans/Provosts.

**October 12:** Academic Council meeting; Co-Managers will present endorsement vote results for Group D pathways.

**October 14:** FIRC reviews Group F disciplinary pathways (Elementary Education, Exercise Science, Music, Physical Education, Theater, and Visual Arts.)

**Fall 2016:** FIRC members and disciplinary Work Group representatives bring Group F pathway documents to individual campuses for possible endorsement; accepted curriculum and governance procedures will be followed on each campus.

**November 18:** Report to the Academic and Student Affairs Committee (ASA) for vote on the Group D pathways.

**December 8:** ASA reports to the BOR meeting for final approval of the Group D pathways.

**December 9.** Deadline for campuses to report endorsement vote results for Group E pathways to the Co-Managers. Campuses that vote not to endorse a pathway should provide a clear rationale. We ask the FIRC representatives to email the results, cc'ing the appropriate Work Group representatives from their campuses and their Academic Deans/Provosts.

**December 14:** Academic Council meeting; Co-Managers will present endorsement vote results for Group E pathways.

**January 13:** Report to the Academic and Student Affairs Committee (ASA) for vote on the Group E pathways.

**January 19:** ASA reports to the BOR meeting for final approval of the Group E pathways.

**February 10, 2017:** Deadline for campuses to report endorsement vote results for Group F pathways to the Co-Managers. Campuses that vote not to endorse a pathway should provide a clear rationale. We ask the

FIRC representatives to email the results, cc'ing the appropriate Work Group representatives from their campuses and their Academic Deans/Provosts.

**February 15:** Academic Council meeting; Co-Managers will present endorsement vote results for Group F.

**March 15:** Report to the Academic and Student Affairs Committee (ASA) for vote on Group F pathways.

**March 29:** ASA reports to the BOR meeting for final approval of the Group F pathways.

**If you are a Community College representative:**

You will be asking your campus to vote on endorsement of each disciplinary pathway, specifically on the **60-61 credit community college pathway**, the first document in the packages that you have received and reviewed (available [here](#)).

- A. Circulate the document entitled **[Discipline Name] Pathway**. Ask for a vote of endorsement on the pathway. You will follow the curriculum and governance procedures on your campus for reviewing and voting on endorsement of TAP pathways. If your campus votes not to endorse this pathway, please provide a clear account of the reasons for not doing so.

You may also want to:

- B. Circulate the document entitled [Protocol for System-wide Approval](#). Be ready to explain the document to your colleagues.
- C. You do not need to circulate any of the templates. If, however, you do so choose to circulate an example of the templates, also circulate the [TAP Composite Common Packages](#) document and make certain that you clearly explain how the Framework30 transfers to the Common Package, since that can be confusing for those who do not understand the way it works.
- D. If questions arise concerning the ability of your campus to offer the pathway, please refer to the [Protocol for System-wide Approval](#). It states that "a pathway will be implemented on all community college campuses that can reasonably offer it. These include campuses that offer the courses or can make them available to students at other institutions and/or, when educationally viable, online." Please review the included [Consortium Agreement](#) that allows students to take courses at another Connecticut Community College, at a CSU, at Charter Oak, or at the University of Connecticut. You may find you can make the pathway available to students.

**If you are a State University or Charter Oak representative:**

You will be asking your campus to vote on endorsement of how each disciplinary pathway is received at your campus and on the remaining requirements at your campus for completion of the degree in 60 credits. Templates 1 and 2 for your school are the important documents for your campus. They are available (by discipline) [here](#).

- A. Circulate **[Discipline Name] Templates 1 and 2** for your college showing how the pathway degree will be received on your campus. You will also need to circulate the [TAP Composite Common Packages document](#) and make certain that your colleagues understand how the Framework30 transfers to the Common Package, since that can be confusing for those who do not understand the way it works. Ask for a vote of endorsement on each pathway. If your campus votes not to endorse a pathway, please provide a clear account of the reasons for not doing so.

You may also want to:

- B. Circulate the document entitled [Protocol for System-wide Approval](#). Be ready to explain the document to your colleagues.
- C. If questions arise concerning the ability of your campus to receive the pathway, please refer to the [Protocol for System-wide Approval](#). It states that "[a]pproved pathways will be received by all four-year schools who offer a baccalaureate in the pathway discipline." If your campus had a representative on the disciplinary Work Group, then it will be accepting the pathway.
- D. Circulate the documents entitled **[Discipline Name] Pathway**.