

Teacher Education Council Meeting

April 12, 2023

Minutes

1. Announcements
 - a. Discussion on furniture for classrooms for next academic year (samples are displayed in the model classroom – Forcina 411)
2. Approval for Environmental Sustainability Dual Major --- postponed until next meeting
3. Spanish 4+1 ESL
 - a. Joint effort between Dr. Wu and Spanish Department (once approved can be for any linguistic program not just for Spanish program)
 - b. 4 years including studying aboard junior year, senior year begin ESL courses. Finish 5 year program with certification in TTSL, fulfilling requirements with the DOE and will receive a Spanish teaching certificate for their major
 - c. Grant applied for to assist with program to begin in Fall 2024 to partner up with Ewing HS to recruit native Spanish speakers to come to TCNJ, thus increasing ESL teachers and teachers of Spanish
4. Accreditation
 - a. Accreditation update – the report is almost done
 - i. Corey putting the final touches on the edits (being submitted 5/1 upcoming visit in the fall)
 - ii. Standards 1&2 has been reedited - summary data elements are in
 - iii. Standards 3&4 all data and analysis are in the same format
 - iv. TEC/Chairs will receive a copy via google group
 - v. Pre virtual visit occurring --- Linda will keep you posted on when
 - b. NJ DOE code changes --- as soon as regulations are available, they will be distributed
 - c. Program Reapproval Prep
 - i. May 2023 – April 2024
 - ii. All programs have to resubmit for periodic program review

- iii. Departments with more than one certified program will figure a way to submit them together using joint information

5. STEP

- a. Clinical II survey
 - i. To collect data on experience including on supervisors and cooperating teachers
- b. Clearances
 - i. Policy proposal that if students don't have their clearances in by the add/drop date, they must drop the class (Rider policy)
- c. Watermark (no more LiveText)
 - i. Placement and assessment software more updated version and more user friendly than LiveText
 - ii. Integrates to Canvas and PAWS
- d. Apprenticeships
 - i. A specific program with the US Department of Labor where an EPP can have an apprenticeship program where people are enrolled in this program working as a para while they are getting their degree

6. Placement Exams

- a. Encourage students at orientation (prior to coming to TCNJ) to take SATs, ACTs, etc. although not required by TCNJ, it helps with SOE basic skills requirement fulfillment

7. Outdoor Classroom

- a. Space will be complete prior to Earth Day
- b. Marissa's event --- Pizza and Planting 4/28
- c. Calendar being created to reserve space