We Can't Spell "Articulation" Without "U": An Overview

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Purpose

As we were unable to come together at the CIAC conference this year, and because we have new Articulation Officers (welcome!), we thought it a good idea to go over our process for TCA review (and a bit more!) and field some questions. We hope this will be helpful for:

- New AOs

- Seasoned AOs who feel in need of a refresher

- Anyone with questions about who we are and what we do, and how we can help YOU

A Year in the Articulation Life

June: TCA submission and review begins;

July & August: TCA submission and review continue;

September: TCA review finishes up;

October: Second review is open (typically for the first 10 days of the month) and submissions are reviewed with the goal to complete all reviews by the end of October, ahead of the November UC application submission period.

November & (early) December: IGETC submissions are open.

January – March: IGETC reviews are undertaken jointly between UC and CSU;

April & May: Decisions are published and finalized (in 2020, there was a pilot second review period for technical appeals only).

Throughout the year!: We are available to answer questions, research discrepancies and resolve mysteries related to your TCA.

The UC TCA in a Nutshell

- Transfer Course Agreements (TCAs) are the baseline for establishing transferability of community college courses to UC. Courses approved for the TCA count as advanced standing elective credit toward an undergraduate degree at any UC campus. They may also be submitted for campus-specific articulation or for IGETC.

- There are almost 51,000 community college courses approved for UC TCAs on ASSIST.

- Historically, between 90% and 95% of courses submitted are approved for the TCA .

TCA Guiding Principles:

Two principles determine transferability:

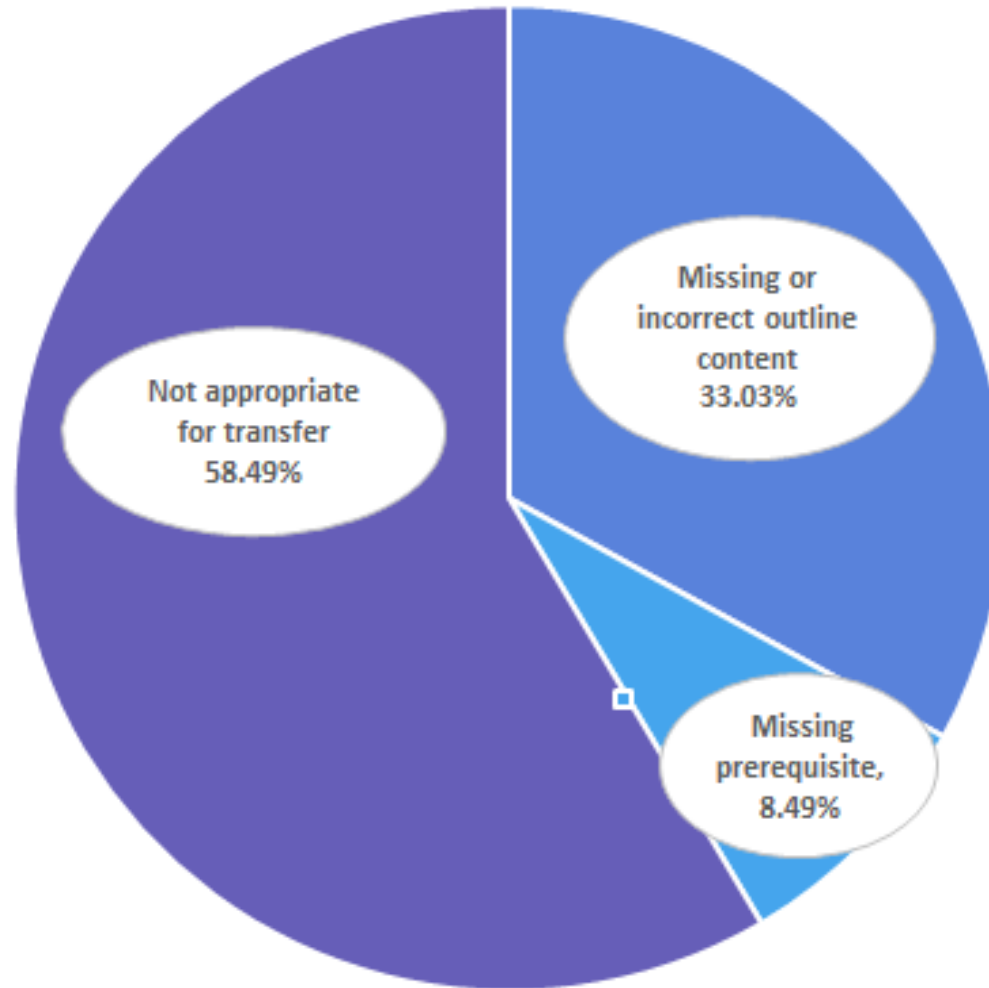- The course should be comparable to one offered at the *lower-division* level at a UC campus.

OR

- The course must be appropriate for a university degree in *depth, scope,* and *rigor.*

How do I Know? (If my course is transferable)

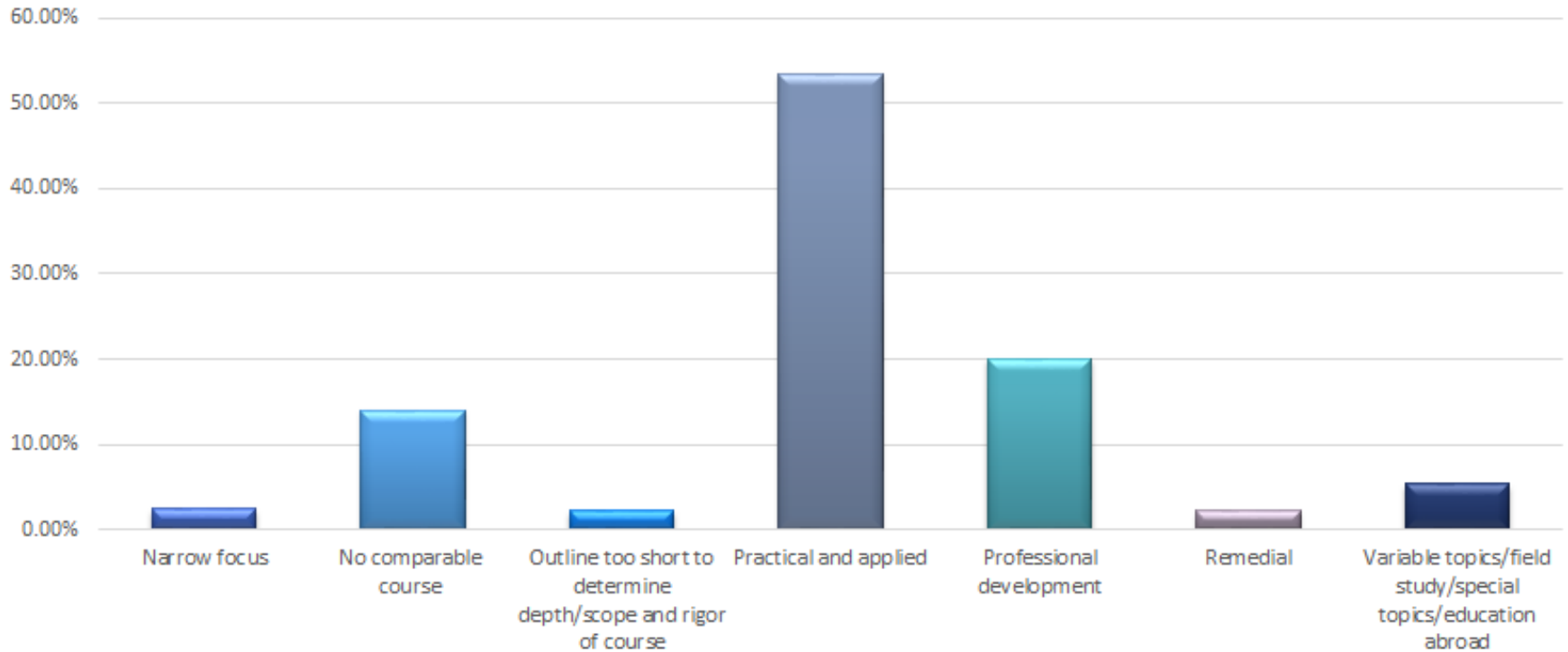See the Subject Area Guidelines at
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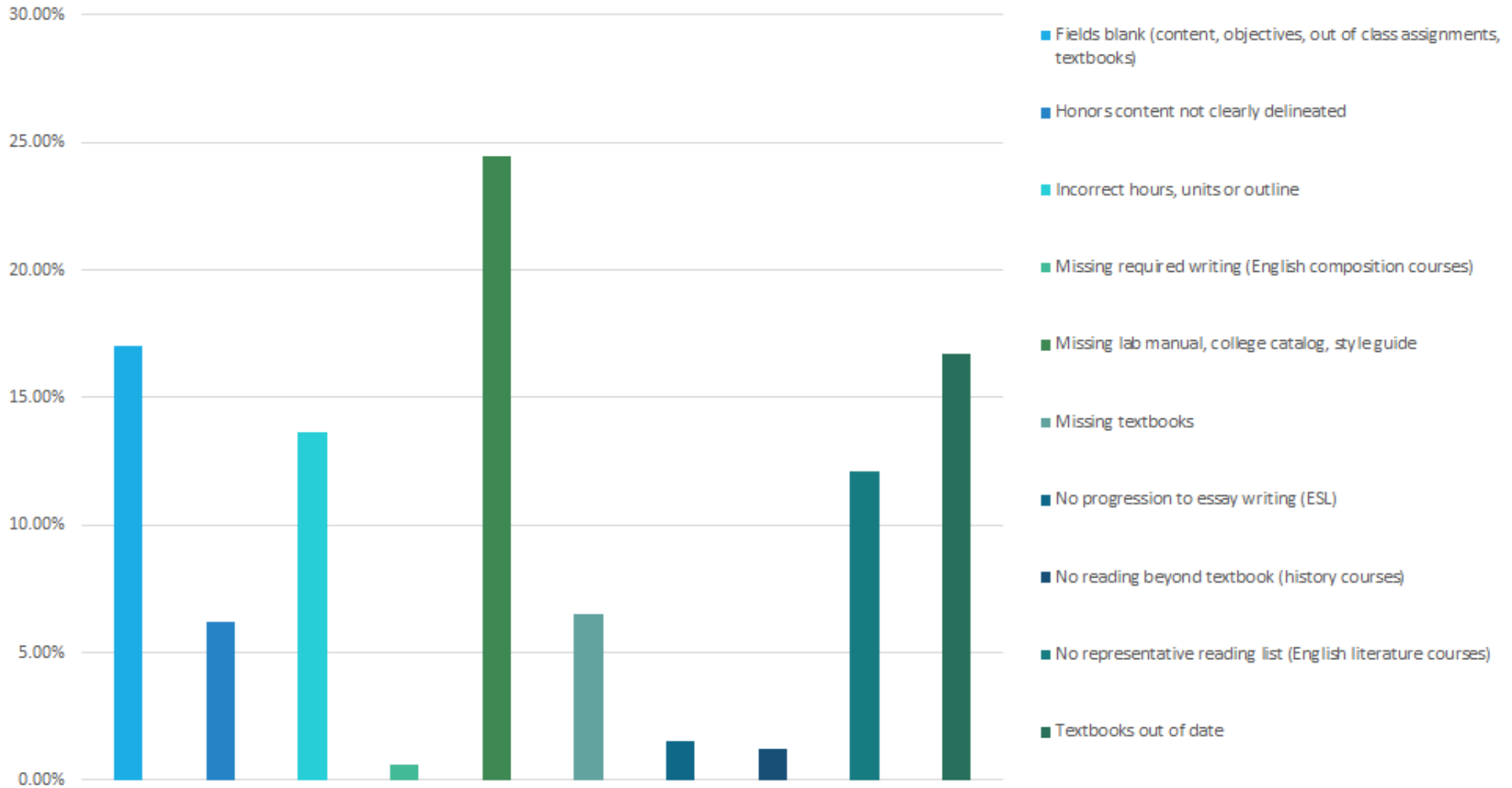
Reasons for TCA Denial (AKA Jen Did Charts!)

Not appropriate for transfer 58.49%

Missing or incorrect outline content 33.03%
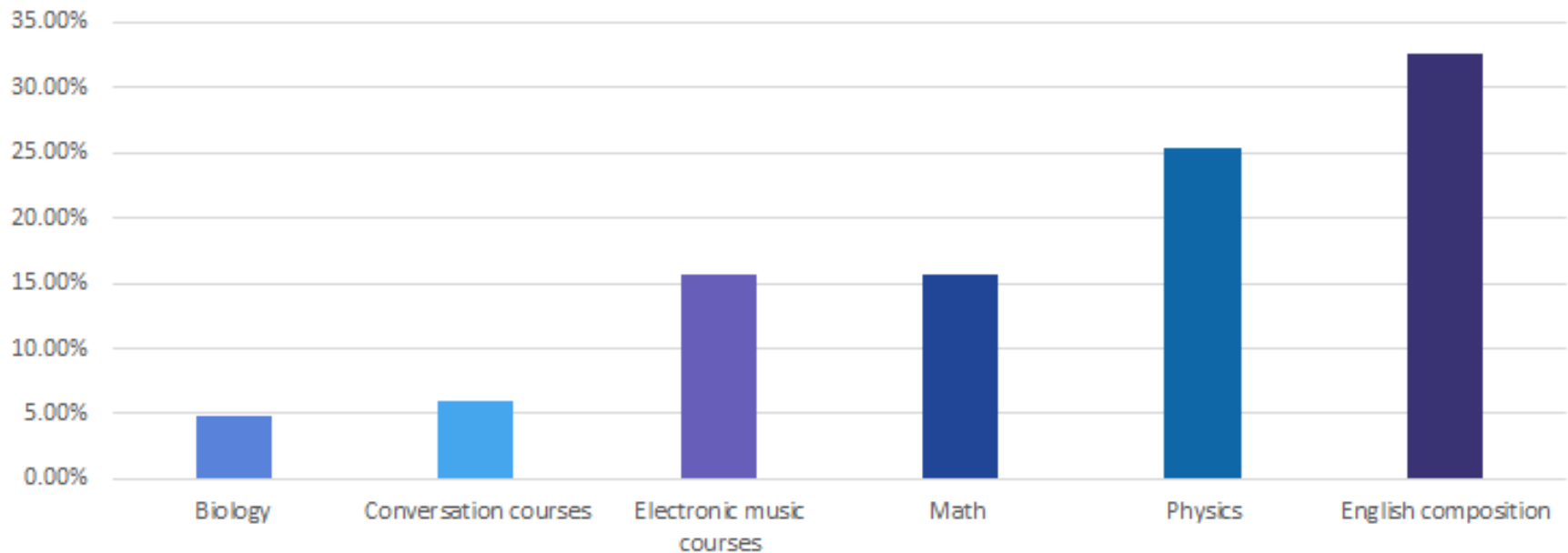
Missing prerequisite, 8.49%

Reasons for TCA Denial (More Charts)

Inappropriate for Transfer

Reasons for TCA Denial (Yet…More Charts?)

Missing or Incorrect Outline Content

Legend:
- Fields blank (content, objectives, out of class assignments, textbooks)
- Honors content not clearly delineated
- Incorrect hours, units or outline
- Missing required writing (English composition courses)
- Missing lab manual, college catalog, style guide
- Missing textbooks
- No progression to essay writing (ESL)
- No reading beyond textbook (history courses)
- No representative reading list (English literature courses)
- Textbooks out of date

Reasons for TCA Denial (we have come at long last to the end of the charts)

Missing Prerequisites

IGETC

IGETC is a comprehensive pattern of courses that prospective transfer students from California community colleges can complete to satisfy lower division General Education requirements at both UC and CSU.

IGETC submissions are reviewed jointly by UC and CSU.

Courses must be approved for the TCA before being submitted for IGETC.

IGETC submissions are considered for the following academic year, meaning that a course approved for the TCA for fall 2020 will be submitted for IGETC for fall 2021 or later.

UC Transfer Pathways

Working to strengthen UC's academic preparation partnerships with the CCC system to expand the transfer pipeline to UC through increased articulation UC-systemwide across the 20 most popular transfer majors.

TAG

UC Transfer Pathways

TAG + UC Transfer Pathways = Pathways +

CCC courses intended to help prepare prospective UC transfer students in these 20 majors must still be submitted through TCA for articulation.

Who Does What?

UCOP

- May I change my submission month?

- Why did this course not get a UC Eligibility Area?

- I just noticed this course is no longer on the TCA, what happened?

- Why does my course have a limitation?

ASSIST

- How do I change an outline in New ASSIST?

- How do I view the workflow?

- How do I run a report?

- How do I submit, withdraw, resubmit a course?

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RESOURCES

- UCOP Transfer Articulation
    - http://www.ucop.edu/transfer-articulation/index.html
- ASSIST
    - www.assist.org
- Downloadable Counselor Guides and Resources
    - http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/downloadable-guides/index.html
- 2020 Ensuring Transfer Success (ETS) Information
    - http://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/counselors/news-events/ets/index.html
- CIAC Articulation Handbook
    - https://www.csusb.edu/ciac/ciac-resources/articulation-handbook
- CIAC mentors
    - https://www.csusb.edu/ciac/ciac-resources/mentors
- UC Transfer Pathways
    - https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/transfer-requirements/transfer-pathways/
- UC Transfer Pathways Guide
    - http://pathwaysguide.universityofcalifornia.edu/college-pathways/0/0
- UC Transfer Admission Planner
    - https://admission.universityofcalifornia.edu/admission-requirements/transfer-requirements/transfer-admission-planner.html