

## **PSEO Course Review Notes**

**Meeting Date: 4/13/18**

**Building C, Room 7 (Study Hall)**

**Team:** John Gawarecki, Emily Graveen, Markell Anderson, Kassie Larson, Patty Minehart, Judy Seeberger, Christopher Lutz

PSEO Courses in Review: Century College- Intermediate Spanish Language and Culture I (SPAN 2021)  
Century College- Intermediate Spanish Language and Culture II (SPAN 2022) MSA- Spanish 4

### **1. Introduction of specific courses being reviewed:**

a. Courses in Review:

i. MSA Course

1. Spanish 4

-Spanish department reviewed their Spanish 4 class using the Avancemos sequence hand-out. Examined sequence as a whole using Spanish department handout that showed an overview of all Spanish classes at MSA. Clarification questions were asked by team members. Concern brought up by a team member that the current equivalent PSEO course (2022) is above the level of Spanish IV. Also worried that students may not be prepared for the course.

ii. Century College Courses

1. Intermediate Spanish I (SPAN 2021)

-Examined information provided by Century College. Looked at the Scope and Sequence sheet provided by Spanish department. Would be missing 12 tenses of Spanish language learned in Spanish IV if 2021 was equivalent.

2. Intermediate Spanish II (SPAN 2022)

-Examined information provided by Century College. Looked at the Scope and Sequence sheet provided by Spanish department. Some concerns were presented for if the course (2022) was too rigorous and the detriment to the students it would be if it did not go well. Discussed that students could take 2021 in the fall before 2022 in the spring so that they could be prepared. However, they would not receive credit though since they would have already taken Spanish III. This is something that is normal for math courses.

b. Discussion Question:

i. Should Century College's Intermediate Spanish II (SPAN 2022) remain the equivalency for MSA's Spanish 4 course or should the equivalency change to Century College's Intermediate Spanish I (SPAN 2021).

### **2. Open up for team discussion and questions on the specific MSA Spanish course and the Century College Spanish courses in review.**

a. Present any documents that provide course information and content which will allow all team members of the meeting to receive ample information regarding the courses in review.

b. Open Forum: Allow any interested community members the opportunity to bring *forth any new information regarding the specific courses in review.*

i. Each individual will have 3 minutes to present any new information to the team.

-Donna Nightingale

-Presented concern of having 2022 be equivalent to Spanish 4.

-Noelle Haland

-Provided written copy of statement to the team. Presented concern of having 2022 be equivalent to Spanish 4.

-Jeff Wooley

-Presented concern of having 2022 be equivalent to Spanish 4. Zero Hour option for Spanish 4 could be beneficial to accommodate PSEO students.

-Kristi Connors

-Presented concern of students losing the ability to go PSEO.

-Troy Nightingale

-Presented concerns about 2022 being equivalent to Spanish 4. Dean of Century College should be contacted prior to making the decision. Presented concern on AP Spanish equivalency to Century's.

-Deb Ledvina

-Presented concern about how if kept the current Spanish 4 equivalency, the school may no longer be adhering to Policy 603, as well as meeting the needs of minority and low-income students if the school is making it more difficult to go PSEO. This is related to the World's Best Workforce goals. Recommended more research be done and have a non-biased 3rd party evaluator look into the equivalencies.

### **3. Private Vote (if necessary) to determine if:**

a. Keep current PSEO course equivalency

i. MSA Spanish 4 → Intermediate Spanish II (SPAN 2022)

b. Adjust current PSEO course equivalency

i. MSA Spanish 4 → Intermediate Spanish I (SPAN 2021)

Voting occurred. All members voted anonymously. Emily Graveen counted. John Gawarecki and Jeana Albers counted up the votes. 6 votes were for keeping 2022 equivalent to MSA's Spanish 4. 2 votes were for adjusting the equivalency to make 2021 be equivalent to Spanish 4. Announcement of the results will be shared with the community. Academics Committee will be notified of voting outcome. Information will be relayed to the board.