



COLORADO

Department of
Higher Education

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| Meeting | Academic Council January 13, 2026 1:00 – 3:00 pm |
| Location | Remote ONLY |
| Call-In Information | Join Zoom Meeting Meeting ID: 857 6041 3189 Passcode: 408673 |
| Meeting Participants | Provosts and Chief Academic Officers (CAOs) of the public institutions of higher education |
| Meeting Objectives | Members advise the Department on policy development and implementation, as well as other matters affecting higher education. |

AGENDA

1. Greetings and Introductions
2. Approval of December Meeting Notes
[see handout: 2025-12-09 NOTES-AC.pdf]
3. Announcements and Discussion Items
 - a. Announcing JB Holston, CDHE Interim Executive Director
 - b. Updates from CCHE Advisor Michael Lightner
 - c. Discussion on preliminary results from survey on reduced-credits bachelor's degrees (Brad Griffith)
 - d. Transfer initiatives update (Carl Einhaus)
 - Higher Education Transfer Audit
 - CCHE Transfer Subcommittee
4. New, modified, and closed programs
 - a. New
 - Colorado State University – Global Campus

- Undergraduate Certificate in Azure AI Automation with Leadership Fundamentals
 - Bachelor of Science in Finance and Applied AI
 - Bachelor of Science in Integrated Business and Technology
 - Graduate Certificate in Healthcare Data Analytics
 - Master of Science in Cybersecurity
 - Colorado State University – Pueblo
 - Undergraduate Certificate in Security Studies
 - Bachelor of Science in Special Education: K-12 Teacher Preparation
 - Post-Master’s Certificate in Executive Educational Leadership
 - University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus
 - Master of Health Science
 - University of Colorado Boulder
 - Bachelor of Science in Integrated Business and Engineering
- b. Modified
- None
- c. Closed Programs
- None

ACTION ITEMS

| Issue | Action / Next Step | Assigned To & Date Assigned |
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