



COLORADO

Department of
Higher Education

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Meeting	Academic Council February 10, 2026 1:00 – 3:00 pm
Location	Remote ONLY
Call-In Information	Join Zoom Meeting Meeting ID: 878 4821 4340 Passcode: 972283
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 January Meeting Notes
[see handout: 2026-01-13 NOTES-AC.pdf]
3. Announcements and Discussion Items
 - a. Updates from CCHE Advisor Michael Lightner
 - b. Review and discussion of updated CCHE Policy II, Part D: Policy for Public Institutional Reporting College Opportunity Fund Student Credit Hour Stipend Enrollment (COF policy)
 - c. Discussion on final 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

- Adams State University
 - Master of Science in Computer Science
 - Colorado Mesa University
 - Undergraduate Certificate in Graphic Design
 - Undergraduate Certificate in Patient Care Technician
 - Undergraduate Certificate in Sustainable Farm & Ranch Management
 - Undergraduate Certificate in Wildland Fires Management
 - Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education
 - Master of Natural Resources in Geography
 - Colorado State University
 - Bachelor of Science in Family and Consumer Sciences Education
 - Master of Advanced Practice in Dietetics
 - Pueblo Community College
 - Bachelor of Applied Science in Diagnostic Medical Sonography
 - Bachelor of Applied Science in Technology Education
 - University of Northern Colorado
 - Bachelor of Science in Data Sciences and Statistics
 - Bachelor of Science in Sport Administration
 - Western Colorado University
 - Undergraduate Certificate in Western-CU Partnership Honors Program
- b. Modified
- None
- c. Closed Programs
- Colorado Mesa University
 - Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts
 - Bachelor of Arts in Kinesiology
 - Graduate Certificate in Applied Mathematics
 - Master of Arts in Education: Rhetoric and Literary Studies
 - Master of Arts in Education: Applied Mathematics
 - Master of Arts in Education: Social Science

ACTION ITEMS

Issue	Action / Next Step	Assigned To & Date Assigned

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