



COLORADO

Department of
Higher Education

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Meeting	Academic Council March 10, 2026 1:00 – 3:00 pm
Location	Remote ONLY
Call-In Information	Join Zoom Meeting Meeting ID: 830 4162 7848 Passcode: 561361
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 February Meeting Notes
[see handout: 2026-02-10 NOTES-AC.pdf]
3. Announcements and Discussion Items
 - a. Updates from CCHE Advisor Michael Lightner
 - b. COF requests for selected “off-campus” undergraduate programs for FY27
 - c. Transfer initiatives update (Carl Einhaus)
 - Higher Education Transfer Audit
 - CCHE Transfer Subcommittee
4. New, modified, and closed programs
 - a. New
 - Adams State University
 - Graduate Certificate in Name, Image, and Likeness
 - Colorado State University
 - Bachelor of Science in Environmental Public Health

- Bachelor of Science in Medical Microbiology and Infectious Disease
 - Metropolitan State University of Denver
 - Master of Science in Event and Experience Management
 - Master of Science in Hospitality Leadership
 - University of Colorado Colorado Springs
 - Master of Arts in Military Leader Development
 - Western Colorado University
 - Undergraduate Certificate in Industrial Design
 - Undergraduate Certificate in Water Studies
 - Bachelor of Arts in Film
 - Bachelor of Arts in Industrial Design
 - Bachelor of Arts in Theatre
 - Master of Arts in Applied Ethics
 - Graduate Certificate in Community Resilience
 - Graduate Certificate in Forests, Fuels, and Fire
 - Graduate Certificate in Integrative Land Management
 - Graduate Certificate in Mine Reclamation Management
 - Graduate Certificate in Therapeutic Mentoring
- b. Modified
- Western Colorado University
 - Bachelor of Arts in Sociology changed to Bachelor of Arts in Sociology & Criminal Justice
- c. Closed Programs
- Western Colorado University
 - Graduate Certificate in Energy Geoscience
 - Master of Arts in Gallery and Museum Management

ACTION ITEMS

Issue	Action / Next Step	Assigned To & Date Assigned



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