

Hartnell College Counseling Department
Resolution Statement
5/17/07

Whereas:

1. The Counseling Faculty requires a student assessment that meets the following requirements:
 - Reliability and Fairness
 - Timeliness, Consistency, Validity, and Usability of Results
 - Counselor friendly, Flexi bible use with multiple measures
 - Accessibility for Disabled and Second Language Learners
 - Ease Administration and Economics.
2. There is an urgency to make this change while the opportunity, support, budget, and need exists, and per unanimous Counselor vote to make an assertive and aggressive approach toward change.
3. The Matriculation Committee voted on April 10, 2007 to establish ACCUPLACER at Hartnell College beginning November 1, 2007 after discussion and consultation with Dr. Gordon concerning English, Math, ESL, multiple measures, COMPASS, other colleges using ACCUPLACER, accommodations for disabled students, costs, ability to benefit, second language learners, impact on counseling, and steps toward implementation
4. The Matriculation Committee voted on April 10, 2007 to continue consulting with independent consultant Dr. Ron Gordon.
5. The DSPTS region 4 disabled student's programs coordinators provided support for ACCUPLACER accessibility at its May 4 meeting.
6. Ample invitations and opportunities have existed for over 6 months for faculty, college staff, administration, and technical support staff to review, question, consult with other colleges, identify issues, and identify problems with ACCUPLACER; hearing none.
7. The college will work to ensure proper hardware, personnel, and student availability for electronic assessment at district high schools

The Counseling Department therefore:

Supports the Matriculation Committee recommendation to implement ACCUPLACER.

Passed Unanimously
October 17, 2007

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