

RE: Request for Copy of PowerPoint Presentation

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Good Morning Stuart,

I would like to ask for a copy of the PowerPoint presentation you prepared for the Title V HSI Grant meeting earlier this week. I found the presentation to be quite informative and will certainly help us in Student Services gain a better understanding of best to proceed as it relates to AB 705.

Thank you for your help.

William

AB 705

And the LPC English Program

What is AB 705?

- California State Assembly Bill 705 (2017)
- Requires community colleges to “*maximize the probability*” that every student will complete transfer-level coursework in English and math within one year.
- Requires community colleges to use high school coursework, GPA, or grades in the placement process.

What is the Purpose of AB 705?

- To eliminate “unnecessary” and “burdensome” basic skills prerequisites.
- To enable more students to achieve completion goals.

Evidence used in support of AB 705



- Traditional assessment tools are problematic.
 - Placement tests were not an accurate measure of student ability
 - Multiple Measures Assessment already in place throughout the state.
- Basic skills prerequisites not as helpful as previously thought.
 - Students who enroll directly into transfer-level coursework did nearly as well as those who had taken prerequisite.



What does this mean for LPC?

- *Within one year* students *should* complete **English 1A**.
- **Within one year** = one year after a student enrolls in an English class for credit.
- **Should** = LPC has maximized the probability of this happening.
- **English 1A** = Critical Reading and Writing (essential transfer-level course – no degrees without it)

What does this mean for LPC?

- Current Pre-Requisites for English 1A
 - English 100A: Integrated Reading and Writing I (4 units)
 - English 104: Integrated Reading and Writing II (4 units)
- Students **very unlikely** to complete English 1A in one year if they begin with English 100A
- So . . .

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- Messaging, informing students of the changes
 - Outreach
 - Counseling
 - In-class presentations
- Resources
 - Instructional Assistants for English 1A and 1AEX
 - RAW Center/Smartshops/Tutoring
 - Faculty Professional Development