

Minutes of the SDLS Meeting 2, July 10, 2013  
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Attending: not collected...

Meeting started about 1:05 p.m. (Pacific daylight time).

1. Discussion began with the Degree/Cert table. The question was raised as to whether Displaced Homemaker, Limited English, ADA, and Single Parent fields are legal to collect. Someone will check on that. A Migrant Worker field will not be collected and these other fields will only be collected for PTE programs.
2. A request was received at the SBOE about Veteran and active military data. This data is not collected at this time, but may be collected in the future.
3. It was agreed that ACAT, Major1 and Major1\_majrc will all be returned to the institution if blank.
4. The use of the word "optional" in the table was discussed and determined to mean: Provide data if it is available/applies.
5. The field Deg\_QP may be deleted.
6. A discussion about Deg\_GPA and Deg\_GPA\_Incl\_Transfer took place. Knowing that institutions differ in their calculation of Deg\_GPA (some include transfer credits and some only count credits earned at the institution), it was determined that Deg\_GPA will be the GPA at the time of degree – no matter how the institution calculates that. For some institutions, Deg\_GPA will be the same as Deg\_GPA\_Incl\_Transfer. Thus, Deg\_GPA may be calculated differently at each institution. The names of these two fields may change in the future.
7. No decision was made as to what to do if the first\_term is blank. If last\_term is blank, the term in which the degree was awarded will be used.
8. On to the Section table: An email will be sent out about instr\_type and deliv\_mthd.
9. The Board of Education will want articulation of remediation, but each institution will use their own definition of whether or not a course is remedial or not.
10. There was a lengthy discussion about what constitutes a "dual\_credit" course. For example: is it any course in which a high school student could potentially enroll? In that case, all courses at NIC would be dual\_credit. ...no decision was made.

There will be another meeting held in early August. The meeting adjourned about 2:38 p.m. (Pacific daylight time).

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