**CSU GE Breadth Area E Exception for Veterans: Proposal to the BC Academic Senate, April 17, 2013**

Student veterans will receive unit credit and GE certification of Area E, Lifelong Learning and Self-Development of the California State University General Education Breadth pattern upon receipt of the DD-214 Separation Document.

**BACKGROUND**

On November 15, 2012, Sue Granger-Dickson, Bakersfield College Articulation Officer, proposed the following to the Curriculum Committee:

*CSU Executive Order 1036 encourages campuses to use evidence of military training to satisfy Area E of the California State University General Education Breath. Typically this evidence is the completion of basic training as listed on a veteran’s discharge papers, form DD-214. This proposal is to follow the lead of the CSU campuses that have all elected to honor GE Breadth transfer certifications that clear Area E Lifelong Learning with a DD-214 for Bakersfield College student veterans.*

*I propose that Bakersfield College Curriculum Committee recommend to Bakersfield College Administration that BC will use an approved veteran’s DD-214 to clear Area E of the CSU GE Breadth Area E Lifelong Long Learning.*

The Curriculum Committee discussion and action are reflected below in the committee minutes of November 15, 2012:

*Sue Granger – Dickson reported that there is a curriculum proposal on the back of the agenda. It states “CSU Executive Order 1036 encourages campuses to use evidence of military training to satisfy Area E of the California State University General Education Breath. Typically this evidence is the completion of basic training as listed on a veteran’s discharge papers, form DD-214. This proposal is to follow the lead of the CSU campuses that have all elected to honor GE Breadth transfer certifications that clear Area E Lifelong Learning with A DD-214 for Bakersfield College student veterans.” The Community Colleges are being urged to accept student veterans. Basic Training counts for credit under Area E of the CSU GE Breadth - Lifelong Learning and Self Development. m/s Dawn Dobie/Mark Staller to approve the proposal that Bakersfield College Curriculum Committee recommend to Bakersfield College Administration that BC will use an approved veteran’s DD-214 to clear Area E of the CSU GE Breadth Area E Lifelong Learning. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.*

Language from the CSU Chancellor’s office:

**DD214 Separation Document**

Upon receipt of the [DD214 Separation Document](http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/), campuses will award units of credit in Area E for completing basic training.

Executive Order 1036 language:

**Military Service**

CSU Executive Order 1036 encourages campuses to use evidence of military training to

satisfy Area E for their students who enroll without a prior certification in GE. Typically

the evidence is the completion of basic training as listed on the veteran’s discharge

papers, Form DD-214. All CSU campuses have elected to honor GE Breadth transfer

certifications that clear Area E Lifelong Learning with a DD-214.

January, 2012 “Guiding Notes for General Education Course Reviewers”

Link to entire document

<http://www.pasadena.edu/educationalservices/candi/documents/2012-January-GE-Reviewers-Guiding-Notes1.pdf>