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Physical Location: Kayak Room, Rasmusson Library

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1. Minutes for Meeting #1 September 18, 2018 approved. [1 SADA Meeting Minutes 9/18/18](#)
2. Next meeting planned for Nov 6, 2018, 2-3 pm, and Dec 4, 2-3 pm.

- a. The committee had a discussion about ACT versus ALEKS placement in the first math class at UAF.

Is there a study that compares these in placement?

From an advising perspective, students seem to place into the same course via ACT and also via ALEKS, so incoming students ask why they have to retest.

What about using ACT as a temporary placement for incoming students, and then they can retest once they are on campus.

- b. Right now it is hard to place last minute students, and our instate population will wait to the last minute to register.
- c. Suggestion to placement test incoming students on their campus visits, like Inside Out, and during orientation at the beginning of the semester. This may only represent a small percentage.
- d. Proctoring math placement exams

Different options are being explored by the Math Placement committee, which includes members from UAF, UAA, and UAS.

SADA committee discussed how proctoring could work at UAF.

In person testing, would require a space to accommodate students. We discussed the environment of the current testing center on the 2nd floor of Gruening, and that the environment should not be one that increases test anxiety for students.

Online proctoring/ proctoring someone at distance

- a. There is a program that locks down the browser for a student do they can't use other tools to help during the exam.
  - b. Another option is one that videos all the screen actions and mouse clicks of the student.
- 4. Announcement made that we are seeking committee members to join an adhoc committee of the faculty senate to work on a Student Bereavement / Emergency Absence Policy.
  - a. ASUAF update, is that they passed a resolution in the summer to encourage this moving forward.
- 5. Rural Student Services (RSS) provided an update on the cohort model. Tutors in communication, writing, and mathematics are available to students in the Brooks Building at RSS. Greci and Wildfeuer and other faculty participate in this.
- 6. discussion in response to the needs addressed by the report to support students in 100-level courses with reading skills, READING EXPECTATIONS AND TEXT-READINESS IN 100-LEVEL COURSES AT UAF Summary Report and Updated Reading Study with Questions and issues.
  - a. We have co-requisite support courses on the books for students.
  - b. Issues with co-requisites
    - Taking the course when it is not required
    - Funding, who pays the tuition and instructor salary?
    - Academic Advising Center used to host study skills workshops to support students in topics like time management and test anxiety, but attendance declined over years.
    - It may be up to the faculty senate to recommend/require the courses.
  - c. Current efforts:
    - DEVS 111 Reading in the Mathematical Sciences is a new required co-requisite. This course is designed to assist students in learning mathematics through the development of successful study skills and exam-taking methods. This course addresses learning styles, how to read a math book, completing homework assignments, how to take notes and exams and techniques for overcoming math anxiety.
  - d. It was mentioned that other DEVS corequisite courses already exist to support students, but have not been offered due to some of the issues already listed.

*[This list of a few of the other DEVS courses that exist already has been added to the minutes.]*

DEVS F110 College Success Skills

An introduction and overview of the diverse skills, strategies and resources available to ensure success in the college experience. Topics

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