

SUBJECT: Quality Course Designation

Tactic: Quality 1.1.2 - Create a coding system in the Florida Virtual Campus course catalog that allows the identification of QM- or QS-certified, President's Award, Florida's Quality Award, and Chancellor's Quality Award courses.

Background:

Section 1006.735(3), Florida Statutes, establishes the framework for the distance learning catalog that is developed and managed by the Florida Virtual Campus (FLVC). The catalog reflects most distance learning course and degree programs offered by public postsecondary education institutions.

Recommendations:

(1) It is recommended that the "More Detail" section of the course description for each course in the FLVC catalog be modified to include a descriptive statement and possibly an appropriate logo/graphic (e.g., a unique seal or logo be developed for each designation) that identifies courses determined to be quality and/or high quality courses in accordance with the Florida Quality Course Review process to be developed as part of Tactic 1.1.3, as presented in the previous issue paper. The designation would be displayed for all courses identified by institutions as having met the criteria for Quality or High Quality courses as set out in the final process related to Tactic 1.1.3. A standard statement or key would be provided to explain the designation and the review process.

(2) It is recommended that, in addition to the designation identified above, the FLVC staff revise the information collection process to include the opportunity for institutions to include in the submission of course data for the catalog courses that have been reviewed and identified as either Quality or High Quality courses and modify the filtering functions of the catalog to enable students to filter courses by courses with one of the quality rankings.

Supporting Documentation Included: None

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