Recording-20240324_Program Maps on Website

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Good morning Eagles! I wanted to show you a new feature on our website and get some feedback from you. Hopefully you'll find this to be a wonderful tool.

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From the main page of our website wcc.yccd.edu, you can find an efficient way to get through any program at the college.

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Let me show you how.

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If you go to the Academics tab and go to All Programs, you will see our entire listing of different departments.

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And there's some searching features you can use.

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For instance, if you want to know what programs are available at a specific campus or online, or if you want to narrow down programs by the outcome desired outcomes such as earning an associate degree, transferring, acquiring job skills, getting a certificate, or improving basic skills, you can choose options "my goal is to" or "take a course at", but back to what we're here to do.

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So we're going to look at a feature called Program Maps.

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And I'm sorry if this makes you dizzy, but I wanted to show you one of our or popular programs which is Psychology.

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If you click on Psychology, get to the Psychology page, notice it tells you where courses are offered and down here it talks about Psychology and it lists the program available in this area, also the courses.

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If you hit the arrow by Psychology AAT, which means associate degree for transfer, it explains what all that means.

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This is a new button program map and as it explains, program maps suggest courses to take by semester and include career and transfer information when available.

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So instead of just wondering what might be the best options or what might my counselor or teacher recommend, you can actually see their recommendations here.

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Notice it has a recommended course sequence.

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Now this doesn't replace your student education plan or the expertise of counselors because you may have a specific goal or trajectory that you want to have considered and that could change the advice.

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But without knowing that, what would we recommend? Here are courses, transfer requirements and electives.

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Do you have more options potentially? For instance, in electives it depends on the the major and how many options there are, but all of that information can be found in the college catalog.

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What this does is give you a two-page path to graduation and spread over 4 semesters.

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It does assume or recommend full-time course load, so if you need to take less than a full-time load or adjust the number of units per semester, you can make those adjustment, but still see the recommendation here.

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Also, I wanted to point out...notice it tells you about careers and transfer. So that's really awesome.

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And it also allows you to look for and link to other areas in your interest area.

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So this is a really great tool to kind of demystify what is an efficient way to complete my program while still seeing some of the options.

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So let's recap, let's have another look at a different major.

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Let's look at let's do Early Childhood Education.

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The Early Childhood Education program has several programs underneath it.

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So you can see here there's five different options. There's certificates, there's degrees.

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Let's look at a certificate this time. So we're going to look at the Child Development Associate Teacher. Notice there's program map right there, going to click that.

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And this time you're just going to get a nice simple one-page map because this is only a four-course certificate.

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And so again, you see careers, you see other information, and you see what courses you should take in order.

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This does consider prerequisites and when courses are offered, and so it's a nice efficient way to see how to progress through your program.

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Now since that did not take very long, I want to show you one more feature on the website that is interesting.

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So if you scroll down here you can see all the courses, which is really awesome, and you can go look at the class schedules linked to your discipline by clicking here.

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Now you do want to be careful because notice you see two ECE 10 courses.

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Well, one of them may be a Yuba College version and one may be a Woodland Community College version.

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And so if you're graduating from one college or the other, you want to try to take the version from the college that you're in because they may have different prerequisites or requirements.

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Like notice these course descriptions are different, so just because they're numbered the same, doesn't mean they are the same.

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Again, something that's great to talk to a counselor about.

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So if you wanted to, you could on the left-hand side, choose the locations to narrow down what you're looking at as well. So that's pretty awesome. So I hope you enjoy this feature.

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I would love to know what you think about it and feel free to leave comments.

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We're always continuously trying to improve the information we share with you and I just want to wish you the best on your educational journey.

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I hope you have a wonderful week and thank you.