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Attachments: WTCS ESM 2026 0430; WTCS Third Party Engagement: Instruction and Curriculum (guidance resource)

Notes for the April 2026 release:

WTCS Third Party Engagement: Instruction and Curriculum

Guidance resource that provides clarity on requirements for third-party implementation of courses reported in Client Reporting for purposes of state aid eligibility.

ESM Chapters

Chapter 5 General Education:

- Added written description of process to create and add a new general education course to the Systemwide General Education Course List (ESM pages 38-39). Removed flow chart outlining this process to better align with accessibility requirements.

Chapter 10 Credit for Prior Learning (CPL):

- Updated third-party guidance as it pertains to CPL for Registered Apprenticeship (ESM pages 136-137).

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