

HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND ATHLETICS

TO: PROGRAM VIABILITY TASK FORCE

Health and Physical Education is a viable part of the college curriculum for the following reasons

1. **Retention Rate is = 88.5%**
2. **Success rate is = 70.7%**
3. **Productivity = 17.9**
4. **Transfer information**

This is a unique category for our department because of the involvement of Athletics. There has been numerous studies state wide that shows athletes perform and transfer at a higher rate than non-athletes. These studies have included success rate, retention rate and transfer rate. Supporting documentation of this statewide report is available upon request. At Bakersfield College, of the ten sports reporting, the sophomore transfer rate was 74 percent with 62 percent receiving some sort of athletic aid. The transfer rate as well as those receiving aid are both well above the college average. Many of these students went to out of state colleges and are not equated into the transfer equation for our department. These students have transferred as liberal arts or liberal studies majors fulfilling the general education requirements for a CSU.

The TMC for Physical Education is almost complete and should be submitted very shortly.

Health is a required class for Liberal Studies majors (Area 6).

Health fulfills the Area E requirement on the CSU General Education pattern. A Liberal studies major can count Health in both areas thus fulfilling two requirements. (Double –Counted)

5. **Workforce**

In the Fall of 2011, the department surveyed 13 high schools in Kern County and found that 51 percent of the Health and Physical Education staff started at Bakersfield College. In addition, 43 percent of the head coaches of various sports started at Bakersfield College. (note: Did not survey middle or elementary schools.)