

Leeward Community College
General Education Committee Report to Faculty Senate
March 13, 2019

The Gen Ed Committee met on March 8, 2019 to discuss developments in the WICHE Interstate Passport initiative.

Thus far, Leeward CC and UH West Oahu are the only colleges in Hawai'i offering this opportunity to students.

The goal is for all the UH CC's to offer the Interstate Passport so that it can function internally as well as externally (currently it can only be used externally, between Leeward CC and UHWO).

Efforts will continue to be made to make students aware of the Interstate Passport and its advantages should they decide to transfer to another college.

The Gen Ed Committee will have another meeting in April to continue discussing Interstate Passport blocks 8 & 9 (Critical Thinking and Teamwork/Value Systems)

Leeward CC has been awarding the Interstate Passport since October, and so far approximately 800 students have received it, along with a letter commending their achievement and marking a mid-point in their academic progress towards an AA degree.

This letter is auto-generated from our Registrar's office. Many passport colleges have seen this type of a letter as a sort of certificate of achievement for their students.

This particular letter was also designed as a mini-intervention and retention strategy as it invites the recipient to contact our Passport Counselor Blake Hunrick. The idea was that once Blake was contacted by the student, he would find out what the student's pathway or program is and then after getting the contact info, forward that information to the appropriate counselor to contact the student and set up an appointment with him or her.

Five (5) attachments are appended to this report for your perusal:

- Leeward CC Passport letter to students
- Background information on the genesis of the Interstate Passport initiative
- Leeward CC Passport Blocks
- UHWO Passport Blocks
- A map of Passport states