MAINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS Section 314

SUBJECT: LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

PURPOSE: To affirm MCCS' commitment to the consistent delivery of high quality

education and use of effective student success tools through system-wide use

of a common Learning Management System

A. Introduction

This policy reflects the MCCS commitment to providing all students with high-quality, relevant, accessible education, maintaining instructional continuity and increasing student success and credential completion. In furtherance of these commitments, MCCS has made a significant infrastructure investment in providing a single system-wide electronic learning management system (LMS) for use by faculty, staff and students. This policy describes the nature and purpose of the MCCS LMS and provides guidance to the colleges on the required use of the LMS.

B. Purpose of LMS

The MCCS LMS is a robust, multi-faceted instructional infrastructure that integrates the delivery of instruction supported by powerful teaching tools, learning outcome assessment, integration of micro-credentials, and student success analytics. Through the LMS, the colleges create a learning environment that ensures that all students have access to the same basic content through a common course shell and are supported by common academic tools. Integration of the learning outcome tool with course content enables the colleges to assess learning outcomes for general education and programs. The analytics tool enables the colleges to collect and share predictive student success data in real time, such as attendance, assignment completion, grades, and participation, thereby enabling faculty and advisors to provide timely intervention. Collectively, the LMS and its varied functions are a critical tool in fulfilling MCCS' commitments to its students.

C. Required Use of the LMS

All faculty and academic support staff are required to use the LMS as directed by their college, as well as in the manner required by the MCCS <u>Standards for Online Teaching and Learning</u> as applicable. Colleges shall determine whether other employees shall be required to use the LMS in the performance of their duties and shall notify such employees. MCCS will make instruction available on utilization of the LMS to all employees whose duties require use of LMS functions.

REFERENCES: MCCS Standards for Online Teaching and Learning

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