

Los Rios Ethnic Studies Faculty Council

Minutes

Wednesday, January 26, 2022

Time: 10:30am-12:30pm

ConferZoom: <https://lrccd.zoom.us/j/92493717468>

Preliminaries

- Call to Order – 10:35am
- Attendance – Council Members Present in Bold

Ricardo Caton, ARC

Walter Kawamoto, ARC

Mark Carnero, ARC

Nyenbeku George, CRC

Alex Peshkoff, CRC

Winnie Hung, ARC

Tami Cheshire, FLC

Victoire Chochezi, FLC

Keith Heningburg, SCC

Surangi Frazier, SCC

Robert Unzueta, SCC

Malika Hollinside, SCC

Juana Esty, CRC AO Representative

Guests

- Approval of Agenda
 - Alex Peshkoff** - Motion, **Victoire Chochezi** - Second; All approved
- Approval of Minutes
 - Nyenbeku George** - Motion, **Ricardo Caton** - Second; All approved

Consent to vote to meet online for the next thirty days. All consent

Public Comments

None

Announcements

- Mallika announced CCESFC is having their annual summit on March 11th possibly at Delta College.

Chair's Report

- Welcome New Ethnic Studies Faculty & Introductions
- Review Purpose of the Council

- Goal #1 – **Met** - Evaluate existing CRC and SCC ETHNS approved courses against CSU Area F requirements.
- Goal #2 – **Met** - Evaluate proposed cross-listed courses to meet the CSU requirements, meeting DCCC and local curriculum committee timeline requirements. Resolution passed about cross listing courses
- Goal #3 – **In Progress** - Create proposals for the future of Ethnic Studies programs, degrees, and courses in the district.
 - **Check on department status at ARC**
 - Ethnic Studies Programs, AA & AD-T's are being worked on (google docs) **waiting on the TMC via the C-ID for AD-T direction**
 - **ETHNS 300, 320, 330, 340 & 350 are submitted for Area F review, we will be making further changes to this curriculum in the spring to meet UC IGETC language, AB928 & AB111 requirements and curriculum committee recommendations. Also need to make title changes to 320, 330, 340 to Introduction to...Tami has begun this process, Department Chairs check Socrates**
 - **AB928 & AB111 require that all courses offered in CA share the same course numbering system across all campuses. This will impact all courses across the district.**
 - **Some Ethnic Studies Outline verbage might change once we know the new UC requirement.**
 - Further course development will depend on the TMC, but course development in each core group should be the focus vs. general Ethnic Studies and all courses should fulfill Area F requirements and fit within the degree pattern.
 - Particular attention should be made to the Chicano Studies TMC/C-ID since this area may or may not include Latino/a Studies.
 - It is important that we continue this work collaboratively because students who take any of the ETHNS courses in the district, should be fulfilling the same CSU transfer requirements. All 300's should be the same or similar. Same for all 320's, 330's, 340's and 350's across the district
 - Ethnic Studies departments need to continue collaborating with and supporting each other in curriculum, program and degree development. This would be a lot of work for new incoming faculty who need to be focusing on their teaching for the tenure review process.
- Goal #4 – **Met** - Be a consultative body for ethnic studies discipline input on equivalency decisions for hiring.
- Continued discussion on additional goals (20 min)
 - Support for new and existing Ethnic Studies faculty
 - Make sure FTE is set aside for existing & new faculty
 - Professional development - funding might be available from CCCCCO
 - There may be money from the California Community College Chancellor's office for creating Ethnic Studies professional development (possibly \$6000 per college)

- Tami will ask if these monies can be used toward release time
- Continue with curriculum writing and revisions, program development, & degree development.
- MOU's with High Schools & Development of Ethnic Studies Teaching Certificate
 - St. Francis High School is interested in working with us on developing Ethnic Studies courses at their school.
 - There may be opportunities for additional dual enrollment partnerships including teaching the teachers and college credit for high school students.
 - Walter informed us that there is some concern from ARC about dual enrollment. They had low performing students from a charter school that were enrolled at ARC. Faculty were not happy about this situation. They prefer that dual enrollment be used by student who have performed well in high school and need additional college courses, especially when AP courses are not available.
 - The district has hired Naomi Castro as Senior Director of Dual Enrollment with Career Matters Program.
 - Mark Carnero has connections at SF State. SF State recently created a new program for future teachers – made for social science majors that will be placed in Ethnic Studies classrooms. Dr. Allyson Titiangco Cubales/ ETHS AA to transfer to Sac State teaching credential
 - Robert Unzueta also interested in creating programs for training teachers or creating pathways for future teachers. In addition, he is interested in catching students early and helping them realized that college is in their future. He found success working with student in a credit recovery program.
- Current Membership update (10 min)
 - ARC – Ricardo Caton, Walter Kawamoto, Mark Carnero
 - Ricardo is stepping down from the council.
 - CRC – Nyenbeku George, Alex Peshkoff, Winnie Hung
 - FLC – Tamara Cheshire, Victoire Chochezi
 - SCC – Keith Heningburg, Surangi Frazier, Malika Hollinside, Robert Unzueta
 - Curriculum Representatives, Articulation Officer, CRC – Juana Esty
- Reminder to please collect data on Ethnic Studies courses this semester

Discussion Items

1. Department and/or Local Advisory Groups Updates (5 minutes)

- ARC (Ricardo Caton) – Department formed, Mark Carnero is chair, up to Mark if he wants a local advisory group. Ricardo is stepping down from the district council.
 - CRC (Alex Peshkoff) – Department formed, Winnie Hung is chair, Alex expressed that there was no real need for local advisory group
 - FLC (Tami Cheshire) – Department formed, Tami Cheshire is chair, advisory group was eliminated last year
 - Hiring request did not go through. They were in 4th position and will reapply for the fall.
 - Continuing to work with Victoire and the equity center.
 - Tami is working on an OER (free textbook) for Ethnic Studies 300. It will be available through OpenStax.
 - Tami is also on the statewide taskforce to implement the graduation requirement at the CC with collaboration with the CSUs. The deadline will be Fall 2023-Spring 2024.
 - SCC (Surangi Frazier) – Department formed, Keith Heningburg is chair, advisory group has been replaced by the department
2. Ethnic Studies courses, programs, and degrees (Standing Agenda Item) (10 minutes)
- Updates on existing Ethnic Studies Curriculum & revisions
 - ETHNS 300, 320, 330, 340 & 350 check in
 - Curriculum deadlines with your Curriculum Committees
 - **New Spring Deadlines**
 - **This is for resubmissions**
 - **June 1st – June 10th 2022, Decision date is July 29th**
 - **We need to find out our own local deadlines since these dates are after the spring semester is over.**
 - **Courses should be submitted by April to meet these deadlines.**
 - **Are we prepared to make changes and resubmit in the spring semester if we are denied Area F approval?**
 - **According to Juana, Courses at SCC and CRC that existed prior to fall 2021 are approved for Area D. Also, only ETHNS 300 at FLC is currently approved for Area D and F. All newly developed courses at all campuses are pending CSU Area D approval and except for ETHNS 300 at FLC all others are pending Area F approval.**
 - **Need dates for Area F resubmission in the spring if we don't get approval – deadlines may be too late for our Curriculum Committees, consider appealing decisions**
 - **Tami will create a google doc with local curriculum deadline**
 - **AB928, AB111 impact on Curriculum – how will we approach these changes? Common Course Numbering & UC Transfer language**

- We will be assigned a number from the state. Faculty will then need to make changes to the course numbers. Juana has not received any information from the statewide work group yet.
 - Curriculum changes – Workgroup Fridays 10am-12pm
 - Name change for 320, 330, and 340 in progress
 - Consider curriculum committee recommendations for changes from last semester
 - Ethnic/Multicultural Requirement Policy Change
 - Proposals for Ethnic Studies Programs, Certificates, Degrees – **Submit Programs Spring 2022**
- 3. Flex Update
 - Winnie and Mark expressed interest in creating a flex to introduce the district to what Ethnic Studies is and debunking myths about it.
- 4. Media Project & Video Update
 - New hires should be included before the video is finalized. Mallika will reach out to the new hires.
- 5. Meeting dates
 - Wednesdays at 10:30am-12:30pm works best. We can make sure that any voting happens within the first hour to accommodate Nym and Alex.

Decision Items

- None

Future Items

- Requests for full-time positions in Ethnic Studies Fall 2022 -collect data Spring 2022
- Department and/or Local Advisory group reports - Ethnic Studies courses, programs, and degrees (Standing Agenda Item)
 - Ethnic Studies Department updates
 - Update on existing Ethnic Studies Curriculum & **revisions (Area F approval)**
 - **AB928 and AB111 changes**
 - **UC Ethnic Studies Transfer requirements**
- Flex Update
- Media Project & Video Update

Future Council Meeting Times 10:30-12:30 (to be confirmed)

Future Council Meeting Dates (to be confirmed):

Wednesday February 9 Wednesday February 23

Wednesday March 9 Wednesday March 23

Wednesday April 6 Wednesday April 20

Wednesday May 4 Wednesday May 18 - if we need to meet – last day of the semester

Adjournment – 12:14pm