

Notes: Prison Education & Re-Entry Program Committee

Thursday, March 7, 2024

9:00-10:30 am

Consent Items

- Minutes approved
 - Nov:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1cCeq25wNrnBQRynFBa1g_bXOuNepLEZ7urYeDzmV3DU/edit?usp=sharing
 - Feb:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1G8k6_eMsFMH-qdi-Yj-VXDdauxc_upcHBCHtt5l4Hw/edit?usp=sharing
- Agenda approved

Decision Items (10-15 minutes per item)

- I. 1st Read- none this meeting
- II. 2nd Read
 - A. Faculty coordinator positions recommended to DAS
 - Feb 2023: on campus recommendation
 - *Recommendation: re-forward recommendation from Dec 2023 for in-facility faculty coordinator and program chair*
 - *Recommendation: report to DAS concerns about coordination at the college level and recommendation; questions, faculty direction, no answers, etc.*

Discussion Items (10-15 minutes per item)

- I. Updates from last meeting:
 - A. Updates on Title 5 Priority Status - *DAS has requested info from Admin*
 - B. The Foundation and PREP - *no updates*
 - C. Budget/Rising Scholars Grants
 - *Data request for each campus*
 - D. Appointments - *none*
 - E. *Presentation occurred to DAS concerning student access of classes to degree completion*
- II. Professional development for faculty
 - *Discussion began about unique needs for faculty teaching in prisons.*
- III. Academic resources for student success and equity topics that are unique to PREP students
 - *Discussion for future meeting*

Standing reports/Updates from each program/campus (written reports)

- a. In-facilities (Kalinda)
 - i. Tutoring (Sandy)
 1. *Jan 31- 12 students of 19 showed up for tutoring; 9 showed up as of 3/6; 2 tutors; good energy in the tutoring time; 2 tutors from Spanish class are actively engaged in completing the tutoring class; In 2 more weeks 6 additional students in Spanish will begin receiving tutoring; a survey will go out to students for feedback for improvement and what is going well; frequent conversations with Admin and planning for fall has begun; Lessons learned: processes for finding tutors (time since taking last Stats class, not taking class with professor who is running the tutoring program; respectful interactions with students and tutors; post-secs as references; interviewing tutors).*
 2. *LTAT 310- online tutoring class; across yards to prepare potential tutors across yards.*
 3. *Scaleable?- capacity in relation to location; tutoring on a different day as opposed to on the same day;*
 - ii. Counseling (TBD) - none
- b. Re-entry: ARC, CRC, FLC, SCC (Veronica, Christina, Stephanie)
- c. Admissions & Records (Tracy)
- d. Administrative Updates (Mari & Molly)

Emerging issues -

- *Students attending class late (4 students missing over an hour of stats on E yard)*
- *Tutoring and overfamiliarity*
- *Concerns regarding grading of discussion posts on the Canvas course*

*This committee meets every 1st Thursday at 9 a.m. If you have questions about an item on this agenda, please contact Kalinda Jones.

Committee Charge From Los Rios' website:

○ *The District Academic Senate (DAS) approved the formation of the Prison and Reentry Education Program Committee (PREPC) on April 5, 2022. The Committee has been tasked by DAS to make recommendations on district-wide programs that interface with state and local correctional facilities and on-campus reentry services in support of SB 1391, AB 417, and SB 416. The Committee addresses issues pertaining to instruction, professional development, student services, academic counseling, equity, technology, and funding opportunities related to prison and reentry education. In addition, the PREPC supports Los Rios' compliance with the California Department of Corrections, Parole, Probation, and Sheriff's Departments in serving incarcerated and formerly incarcerated*

students with appropriate communication and academic resources. The Committee is responsible for the coordination of prison education and reentry efforts directed by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO).