

El Camino College Humanities Division
Journalism Meeting
November 13, 2013

In attendance: Elise Geraghty, Kate McLaughlin, Kevin Degnan

1. PROGRAM REVIEW

- 1.1. Kate M. and Elise met with the Program Review committee on September 19 and discussed recommended revisions. Kate has since added the formatted SLO grid and the final revised draft will be submitted to Bob Klier this week.

2. SLO AND CURRICULUM UPDATES

2.1. SLOs:

2.1.1. J9 has been assessed and the report was submitted in the spring of 2013. All journalism courses now have three SLOs. The Program Level Outcomes were also revised; now there are six PLOs. The new SLOs and PLOs are now posted on the Journalism Department web page.

2.1.2. J11 is being assessed by Kate M. this semester.

2.1.3. Kate is sending all of the new SLOs and PLOs to our part-time instructors so that they can include meaningful discussions of SLOs and PLOs in their self-evaluation reports.

2.2. CURRICULUM: The Journalism AA-T degree was initially approved by the CCC, but some courses got letters of “conditional acceptance” from C-ID reviewers. The following courses were revised based on these recommendations:

2.2.1.1. J2: Kate M. revised course content according to the April 2, 2013, letter from Holly Deme, C-ID program specialist.

2.2.1.2. J6: Kate M. adjusted the Outline of Subject Matter in order to create a 3-unit course rather than the 2-unit course—one lecture hour was added. We are currently awaiting news on the status of this proposal.

2.2.1.3. J8: Kate M. revised course content according to the April 2, 2013, letter from C-ID Primary Reviewer.

2.2.1.4. J11: Lori Suekawa was going to submit the COR for J11 because when Kate M. and Elise called the C-ID office on June 25, 2013, they were told that no COR for J11 had been submitted. Lori S. was on vacation and was going to submit when she returned. We are awaiting an update on this course.

3. EVALUATIONS

3.1. Elise and Kate M. have been evaluating the new journalism part-time instructors who were hired over the summer because of Lori M.'s absence. Lori M. finally submitted a retirement letter in this fall.

4. CTEA

4.1. CTEA awarded the journalism program \$15,000, and Kate M. has proposed adding a bank of monitors, a digital learning room, so that the journalism department can monitor news stories and conduct editor trainings without having to relocate to the Distance Ed room or a classroom, neither of which is ideal. Macs are needed as they are industry standard for journalism, and the CTEA award will be spent on the monitor bank and labor for installation. Howard Story is assisting Kate, and they will be meeting this week. We hope that this will be completed before spring semester.

5. MISCELLANEOUS

5.1. Journalism students are becoming very interested in podcasts. Kate would like to reclaim KECC, El Camino College's student radio station, and put it in the journalism department. It was inactivated in 2009 because there was no permanent place to house the station. Kate M. sent an email to Doug Marston asking about the status of the radio station and will also discuss with Howard Story and ICC.