



**Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences
History Department Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 3, 2018**

Present: John Baranski, Christina Gold, Hong Herrera, Xocoyotzin Herrera, Cheryl Kroll, Jason Suarez, Orion Teal, Sandra Uribe, Arthur Verge, and Daniel Walker

I) Spring 2018 Enrollment

The history faculty reviewed the spring enrollment in history classes. Two sections of US history were canceled. Most likely this was due to scheduling: they were a W/F and a Friday only class. The 102s enroll a little slower than the 101s. 140 and 141 also are light. A couple links needed to be broken. A link between a Spanish and Chicano Culture was broken because the Spanish class has a prerequisite and it wasn't filling. Another link through the Asian American Pacific Islander Equity Initiative was canceled – the Asian American history class in this link was turned into a survey course. In the future, we should advertise all our links.

II) Distance Education and Dual Enrollment

The faculty reviewed the fall schedule. They support the growth of online History 101 and the scheduling of Ethnic Studies classes in dual enrollment.

III) Curriculum

The faculty reviewed the Ethnic Studies AA. Some of the classes in the Ethnic Studies option are not being offered by Humanities. We need to review the classes and update the AA.

The following courses are under review and any changes/suggestions should be given to Beverly: ESTU 1, HIST 101, HIST 101H, 102, 102H, and HIST 152.

The following courses are under consideration for inactivation:

- History 175: History of Asian Civilization to 1600
- History 176: History of Asian civilization from 1600 to the Present
- History 178: History of China
- History 183: Introduction to African History, Prehistory to 1885
- History 184: Introduction to African History, 1885 to the Present

In the History AAT, the following courses need to be added to Area B.2:

- History 108: US History, the American Indian Experience
- History 128: History of California
- History 129: History of Los Angeles

IV) Degrees and Guided Pathways

Jason Suarez has developed a course, Social Science 101, that can serve as a gateway course into the Social and Behavioral Sciences to help students find a focus/major. It has passed through the

curriculum process and can be offered. Jason has also developed the Social Justice AAT. A new course for this AAT is still pending.

V) Adjunct Hiring

We will be hiring adjunct instructors in ethnic studies and history.

VI) SLOs

History 140 and 152 are due for assessment this semester. Hong Herrera recommends that we edit the American Studies SLO. She will send an email update. Xocoyotzin is also interested in modifying the Ethnic Studies SLO so that there is only one, resembling the history SLO.

V) Adjunct Evaluations

We will begin assessing adjuncts according to the contract, instead of every three semesters. A Needs Improvement in any peer observation form category will trigger a review the next semester.

VI) History Faculty Announcements

Hong attended the Learning Communities Symposium Conference. Sandra and Hong have spoken with Psychology and Anthropology faculty about links. John Baranski reported that the history club is going well. The club leader is leaving, but there is a good group of students and it is likely a leader will rise up from them. John suggests that we update the History AA/AAT handout. We especially need to update the section explaining why students should choose to be a history major.

We need to fix the classroom clocks. The times are all wrong.

VII) Counselors Report

Cheryl reported that more students need to develop comprehensive educational plans. Jason suggested that faculty remind their students of the need for counseling.

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