

**Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences  
Sociology Department Meeting  
October 30, 2012**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** s. Allen, E. Cannon, S. Dowden

**Meeting began at:** 1:00 p.m.

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**Spring/Summer Scheduling**

The schedule for spring and summer was briefly discussed as well as course prioritization which will become the college's emphasis in the near future as it pertains to scheduling of classes. The department suggested a review of evening time offerings and discussed the need to enhance the existing Sociology pool of adjuncts. The division will advertise later this semester or during winter session.

**Plan Builder Updates**

G. Miranda thanked S. Dowden for updating the department's 2013-14 plans which will be included in the division-wide prioritization process.

**Curriculum**

S. Allen is working on course review for SOCI 102 (The Family). SOCI 109 (Intro to Elementary Statistics for the Study of Behavior) is due for review in Fall 2013 and will be updated by R. Mascolo. SOCI 112 (Intro to Criminology) is due for review in spring 2013.

R. Lozano spoke to the Sociology Club and discussed the new TMC. G. Miranda commended S. Dowden for the bulletin board display of the new transfer studies degree requirements.

**SLOs**

The department is not scheduled for assessments this semester but will be assessing SOCI 101 in spring 2013 as well as the program level SLO. S. Allen distributed modification to each of these SLOs for department feedback and approval.

**Success and Retention Rates**

Success and Retention rates for spring 2012 were distributed to the department for their review. The dean is providing the information which is also available on the portal for use in self-evaluation as well as the evaluation of department faculty.

**Program Review**

S. Allen summarized the final discussion for the department's program review and some of the suggestions and feedback provided by program review committee members. All went well and the department was commended for its self-study.

**Department Activities/Sociology Club**

The club will have a presentation by co-advisor J. Ortega at their next scheduled meeting.

S. Dowden stated she had completed ETUDES training and announced that she is taking a break from teaching HTP in fall 2013.

E. Cannon is involved in planning activities for next spring's Black History Month celebrations.

M. Din has been asked to speak at the On Course National Conference next April and will be representing El Camino College. Last year her session was evaluated among the very highest for the entire conference.

**Other**

S. Allen reported that she had received data from the Office of Institutional Research regarding the success rates for students who met the prerequisite of eligibility for English 1A versus those who did not. She will send out the results later today for department review.

**Meeting adjourned at:** 1:55 p.m.

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