

**Sociology Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences  
Sociology Department Meeting**

**March 10, 2015**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** S. Allen, E. Cannon, M. Din, S. Dowden

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

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**Enrollment Update and Future Scheduling**

The department's fill rate at first census was 94% for weekly census classes and generated 107 FTES in its 23 on-campus sections. The seven online offerings had a fill rate of 95% with 29 FTES generated. Faculty indicated all was going well at this juncture in the semester. Future scheduling timeline was discussed.

**Curriculum**

The department is current with the six year course review cycle. S. Dowden discussed concerns regarding the absence of the AA-T degree for sociology from the list of majors students intending to graduate can declare. Currently, the college cannot list Communication Studies, Psychology and Sociology AA-Ts because there is no MOU between the CSUs and the CCCs. The question of who is responsible for the MOUs was raised. The dean will ask L. Suekawa. Faculty members are concerned that this will negatively impact the number of Sociology degrees awarded which has increased in recent years.

**SLOs**

The department is assessing all even number classes this semester: SOCI 102 (#2), SOCI 104 (#2), SOCI 108 (#2) and SOCI 112 (#2). The focus is on sociological concepts so S. Allen asked how many concepts the department felt should be assessed. The department agreed to assess a minimum of five concepts.

E. Cannon volunteered to spearhead the SLO process next fall while S. Allen is on sabbatical.

**Planning**

The department completed its recommendations for their 2015-16 program plan on time. S. Dowden stated she would add the narrative soon.

**Success and Retention**

G. Miranda distributed the summer 2014 success and retention rates noting that in summer the overall department statistics were high (80.2% success and 91.3% retention). Faculty agreed that this may reflect the quality of student who takes summer classes. Online was lower for summer with 68.5% success and 85.8% retention.

**Department Activities**

S. Allen reported that the department's glass case has been installed and suggested themes for the three panels. The glass case is located on the hall wall outside the office suites.

S. Allen also reported that the Sociology Club will be hosting its annual Real Deal Panel on Tuesday after spring break. She also stated that the club plans to participate in the Social Justice Fair. M. Din will be presented her Hayward Award at the Chancellor's office next week.

### **Career Fair Participation**

The department discussed the career fair request to participate on April 14<sup>th</sup>. S. Allen also stated that she had ordered 100 careers in Sociology booklets a few years ago but never received them. (Note: M. Cortez stated that the American Sociology Association informed her that they were out of stock at the time and thus the purchase requisition was cancelled.) The division can order again if they are available.

### **Supplies**

G. Miranda reminded the department to submit any supply or DVD requests to Maria in the division office as soon as possible before the April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.

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

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