

English Department Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2020

Attendance: J. Annick, E. Armao, E. Brenes, S. Burnham, R. Cerofeci, M. Cheung, T. Cody, S. Corbin, D. Crotwell, K. Degnan, S. Donnell, A. Gallagher, S. Gates, E. Geraghty, C. Glover, B. Halonen, L. Hong, E. Kelley, M. Leiby, R. Lewitzki, M. Mattern, A. Mavromati (dropped in to listen), M. McDermit, J. McMahan, S. Merz, C. Nagao, S. Ochoa, C. Page, B. Peppard, J. Sandor, S. Schwartz, A. Sharp, D. Thompson, L. Welsh, R. Williams, E. Uyemura; C. Daniel, E. Gavitt, S. Lamborn, S. Leinen, S. Otsuji, S. Peluso, R. Ritchie, K. Runkle, E. Walker; D. Breckheimer, S. Kushigemachi, R. Diaz, H. Wada

Not in attendance: P. Marcoux (SB)

Fall 2021 Deb

- Synchronous time for Spring-students seem to want some synchronous time.
- There will be no extension for turning in grades. Please plan accordingly.

SLOS:

- Mora
 - English 43 needs a lead – Darrell Thompson and Shane Ochoa volunteered
 - An email will be sent out to everyone instead of individually regarding SLO assessment-documents will be attached of which SLO will be assessed, SLO statements, and a link to the Google form
- Chris Page English 1A
 - Showed sample of simplify language to each of the English 1A SLOs which will be voted on in spring.
 - Email Chris for any questions or comments.

Guided Pathways: Chris Page

- Working on videos to upload to Canvas and website.
- Planning a week-long zoom workshops in spring. Working on it during the winter, let him know if you would like to join in the planning.
- ECC Connect – one person was working on the ECC Connect, now there's a small team but they are still being trained so lag time is long but it should improve soon.

Senate: Elayne Kelley

- The four flex hours dedicated to Equity requirement will start next academic year,
- Draft of Administrative procedure will be emailed later today. Elayne will like feedback.
- Changes to the dean's list- 3.50 GPA from six graded courses with 12 units completed.
- Student Clubs to use Engage software program
- New Academic Senate position – Analu Josephides was elected as the first AS VP of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion.

Special Programs: Deb

Deb discussed with the leads of the various special programs about rotating the position

- Puente- Shane and Erica
 - Rotate for Fall '22
- SITE – Rhea and Rose Anne
- MyPath – Similar to Puente
 - 2 cohorts in Fall '21 (English1A/History 101) followed by Spring '22 (English 1C/History 102)
- Honors – Rachel
 - Discuss in spring about term limits

AB705 Update: Deb

- Shared slides of Fall '18 vs Fall '19 success rates. English did ok but need to do targeted work to improve.
- Getting English 1AS counselors back – at the beginning and end of the semester, they will address everyone then focus will be towards target groups.

Equity: Deb, Stephanie, Erica

- Objectives:
 - Looking at classroom policies.
 - Offer PD with narrow focus that are based on hard skills versus concepts.
 - Exploring Equitable Grading Practices and Policies
 - Writing samples syllabi and cultivating decolonized reading suggestions.

Reveal!

Sharing time highlights:

- Chris Page – during the pandemic/lock down, got to know Stephanie Burnham and Shane Ochoa better.
- Adrienne Sharp – working on a new novel. Gave a shout out to Rhea for helping her with technology.
- Gene Armao – shout out to everyone, miss having meetings face to face.
- Cathleen Daniels – 15 years at ECC as adjunct. Was on Family Feud when she was 10 years old!
- Michael McDermit – grateful for everyone's support for his documentary film about his father. After the film festival season is over, he'll send out information on viewing his film.
- Erica Brenes – shout out to Dana for being at all the brown bags, "I have mad respect for her"
- Dana Crotwell – appreciates the SITE workshops, learns so much from them.
- "Chat" shout out to Chris Glover on doing a great job at the Writing Center.
- Deb mentioned that a plus of having department meetings on Zoom - adjuncts instructors are able to attend.