



Counseling Division

Friday, March 13th, 2026

12:05 – 2:00 pm 9-123 and zoom

In Attendance: Max H., Sarah C., Tiffanee Rush, Jose M., Danny, Krystal, Angel, Maria H., Jinmei, Monica Malamud, Nick, Adriana, Ingrid, Chris, Candice, Sergio, Lorraine, Soraya, Trang, Ariela, Dr. Scott, Nadya, Diego, Daryan

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- I. Welcome (All) 12:05- 12:10
 - **Introductions**

- II. Spanish Program Updates on Courses and Placements (Monica Malamud) 12:10 – 12:30
 - **1st yr. courses - Spanish 110 & 120 (5-unit courses)**
 - **Also offer ½ semester courses**
 - **110 is equivalent to 111 & 112 // 120 is equivalent to 121 & 122**
 - **When transferring there may only be 5 units recognized instead of 6**
 - **Change of level form is found in the SSL**
 - **If a student wants to take a higher level without the prerequisite, a challenge petition is needed first**

- III. Resource Request Prioritization (All) 12:30 – 12:45
 - **Anyone who would like to rank the resources is welcomed to**
 - **Max gave people who wanted to speak about their requests the opportunity**

- IV. Course Program of Study (Max Hartman) 12:45 – 1:15
 - **Federal regulation that is being implemented in Fall 2026**
 - **In order for students to receive financial aid, it will only be given for courses that are part of one of their programs of study**
 - **A letter will be going out to all financial aid students**

- V. Participatory Governance Updates 1:15 to 2:00
 - a. Academic Senate – Danny Lynch
 - **Nothing to report**
 - b. Curriculum – Trang Luong, Ariela Villalpando, Jinmei Lun, Jenna French
 - **Will be asking instructors to update their programs so some of the hidden prereqs are included or maybe there's nor need for hidden prereqs**
 - c. DEAC- Jose Manzo
 - **Waiting or the feedback from ACCJC about accreditation**

- d. EAPC – Chris Rico and Kassie Alexander
 - Offer college app assistance and other program referrals
 - Available from 2-6 most days, Fair Oaks every 1st Tue, PAL Center 1st Wed, and Cañada @ Menlo job trade 2nd Tue 2-6
 - MOCAA – Making Our Courses Accessible for All: program designed to coordinate and support accessibility across campus
- e. IPC – Jinmei Lun
 - IPC Atlas – sent a link to the group to show how it's being used
- f. PBC – Kassie Alexander and Maria Huning
 - Enrollment update that while we are seeing more students on campus, fewer are taking classes
 - EMP 2.6 – improving faculty & staff hiring practices to ensure a diverse pool of applicants
- g. SSPC – Aricka Bueno and Lorraine Barrales-Ramirez
 - Went over the financial aid and course program that Max went over earlier in the meeting
- h. Technology Committee – Keith Wan (out of the office this week)
- i. ESC- Danny Lynch – nothing to report
- j. Interest Area Updates- Kassie Alexander, Danny Lynch, Jose Manzo, Nadya Sigona
 - Kassie – Not present at this meeting
 - Danny – No big updates
 - Jose – Next Career Café 3/24 11:00 – 1:00
 - Nadya – No big updates
- k. Professional Development Updates
 - Aricka – Awaiting counselor feedback regarding 4/16 Flex

VI. Adjourn

If you have items you would like included on a future agenda please add them to the google doc here:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/10QqV4Zr5m6YLls4_w2qRTe9iscUyS4G5l8lG4yxJXbl/edit?usp=sharing