

VP Compton Center Recommendations to Establishing a Functioning Curriculum Process For Compton College

Background: Since Fall 2006 when the partnership between Compton Community College District and El Camino Community College District formed El Camino College Compton Education Center, curriculum has been the purview of El Camino College. Compton Center faculty have initiated curriculum for the Center such as courses for the non-credit ESL and commercial music programs. Compton Center faculty also participate on ECC's division and college curriculum committees however in order to be accredited as a college, Compton will need to establish a functioning curriculum process

VP Recommendations: I am recommending the Compton Center/District implement the following steps to create a functioning curriculum process:

1. Identify and set up a curriculum management system that will allow the district to implement a web-accessible, database-driven Curriculum Development and Approval Tracking system. This will allow faculty to develop and monitor the curriculum for the district. The district will also be able to communicate with the Chancellor's Office to submit its curriculum to the state. The goal is to have the fully functional by Fall 2017.
2. During the fall semester, discipline faculty, under the leadership of division deans and chairs, will identify which courses and programs Compton will copy from ECC's CurricuNet to Compton's CurricuNet META to serve as the basis for the future Compton College's curriculum.
3. By October 2016, the Academic Senate will draft and submit for board approval three key board policies governing curriculum:
 - BP 4020 – Program, Curriculum and Course Development
 - BP 4025 – Philosophy and Criteria for Associate Degree and General Education
 - BP 4260 – Pre-requisites and Co-requisites
4. By December 2016, the Academic Senate working with the VP Compton Center will established the procedures for implementing BP 4020 including establishing the composition of the Curriculum Committee.
5. By January 2017, VP Compton Center working with the Chief Human Resources Officer will create a job description for a Curriculum Analyst to serve as a major resource to the Curriculum Committee and initiate the hiring process for this position.

6. During spring 2017, the Academic Senate will conduct elections for the division representatives to the Curriculum Committee.
7. Once formed, the Curriculum Committee will undergo training and establish a curriculum review process to establish the courses for the future Compton College.
8. During the spring semester, curriculum trainings will be held for all faculty.
9. During fall 2017, the District will work with the Academic Senate and the Curriculum Committee to develop the articulation process for the future Compton College.

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