

Los Rios Ethnic Studies Faculty Council Agenda

Date: Wednesday April 20, 2022

Time: 10:30AM-12:30PM

ConferZoom: <https://lrccd.zoom.us/j/92493717468>

Preliminaries

1. Call to Order
2. Land Acknowledgements [listed at end of agenda]
3. Welcome & Council Member Introductions
4. Announcements & Public Comment (3 minutes per person as time permits)
The public may comment on any items within the Council's jurisdiction, even if the items are not on the agenda, only during this portion of the meeting. However, the law prohibits action by the Council on non-agenda items. If you wish to speak to a particular item on the current Council agenda, your comments will be taken up at the time the Council takes up that item.
5. AB 361 Virtual Meetings – (Council Members Vote in the Chat)
 - On September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed AB 361, which amended the Brown Act to provide local legislative bodies the ability to conduct virtual meetings under certain circumstances. The legislation included an urgency clause, which made it effective immediately. AB 361 allows local legislative bodies to conduct virtual meetings during a state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor under certain conditions, including when “the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person.”
 - If the state of emergency is ongoing, the local legislative body must adopt certain findings by majority vote every thirty days in order to continue using the virtual meeting rules under AB 361.
 - RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Los Rios Ethnic Studies Faculty Council adopt the finding “the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person.” And consents to meeting virtually.
6. Approval of Agenda (Council Members Vote in the Chat)
7. Approval of Minutes (Council Members Vote in the Chat)

Chair's Report (Approximately 40 minutes)

- A letter was sent to the Academic Senate Presidents asking for their support to add Asian American Studies and Native American Studies as academic disciplines to the Minimum Qualifications Handbook at the ASCCC Plenary and it looks like both resolutions were approved by acclamation. On a side note, 9.01 was also passed as a consent item even though our Council did not support it and the CCCESFC came out against this resolution.
- A letter was sent to the Curriculum Committee Chairs asking for emergency meetings in case courses do not meet Area F approval. We received emails back from ARC, CRC and FLC all stating that they would accommodate our request. SCC's Curriculum Chair did not respond.
- Fall 2021 Council Report was sent to DAS for their review.
- Professional Development Funding Opportunity for Los Rios District (5 min)
 - Keith and Tami met with Michele Steiner, and she needed to know that day if she should include a request for funding for an Ethnic Studies & Equity Leadership Summit and we told her to go ahead and put in the request for the funding. She will let us know if the funding request is approved. If so, the Council will need to form a sub-committee to work on the Summit.
- CCCESFC Update (5 min)
 - Tami, Robert, Malika, Winnie and Mark agreed to work on this project with Belinda Lum and need to meet to review the process to request changes to the Ethnic Studies Minimum Qualifications through the ASCCC. We need to work with the CCCESFC to obtain the list of qualifications that they would like to see be approved. The timeline is important and we will need to submit the form with our Academic Senate President's signatures to the ASCCC by Sept. 30, 2022.
- Curriculum Update (5 min)
 - Any news?
- Dual Enrollment – the UC system may be influencing Ethnic Studies at the high school level.
 - referred to Brian Robinson, Dean at FLC – he sits on a dual enrollment district committee

Discussion Items (25 minutes)

Note: Items that the committee is unable to get to can be tabled until the next meeting.

1. Department Updates (10 minutes)
 - ARC (Mark Carnero)
 - CRC (Winnie Hung)
 - FLC (Tami Cheshire)
 - SCC (Keith Heningburg)
2. Ethnic Studies courses, programs, and degrees (Standing Agenda Item)
3. Sharing Resources – Canvas Repository – who can we share with?

4. Ethnic Studies Professional Development Series for Teachers
5. Fall Flex Workshop/Panel (Victoire)

Decision Items (Council Members Vote in Chat When Called to Vote)

Note: Decisions should be discussed at one meeting and voted on in a subsequent meeting. Decision items must be made public 72 hours before a vote can be made per Brown Act.

- None

Future Items

- Program and Degree Development – submit programs Fall 2022
 - Ethnic Studies AA – for students transferring to the CSU’s
 - 4 Core Specific AA’s – for students transferring to the UC’s
- Curriculum Development & Changes – numbering & designators (ex ETHNS-AFAM)
- Dual Enrollment & Teacher Professional Development
- Requests for full-time positions in Ethnic Studies Fall 2022 -collect data Spring 2022
- Department reports/updates
 - Update on existing Ethnic Studies Curriculum & revisions (Area F approval)
 - AB928 and AB111 changes
 - UC Ethnic Studies Transfer requirements
 - Ethnic/Multicultural Requirement Policy Change
- Media Project & Video update

Future Council Meeting Times 10:30-12:30

Future Council Meeting Dates:

Wednesday May 4

Wednesday May 18 - if we need to meet – last day of the semester

Land Acknowledgements

[ARC Indigenous Land Statement](#)

“We acknowledge the land which we occupy today as the traditional home of the Maidu and Miwok tribal nations. These sovereign people have been the caretakers of this land since time immemorial. Despite centuries of genocide and occupation, the Maidu and Miwok continue as vibrant and resilient Federally recognized tribes and bands. We take this opportunity to acknowledge the generations that have gone before as well as the present-day Maidu and Miwok people.”

[CRC Land Acknowledgement](#)

“We pause to acknowledge that Cosumnes River College sits on the land of Miwok and Nisenan people. We remember their continued connection to this region and give thanks to them. We offer our respect to their Elders and to all Miwok and Nisenan people of the past and present.”

[FLC Land Acknowledgement](#)

“We respectfully acknowledge the land currently occupied by Folsom Lake College as the traditional home of the sovereign Nisenan, Maidu and Miwok peoples who have a unique and enduring relationship stewarding this land since time immemorial. Despite colonization, occupation and genocide, the Nisenan, Maidu and

Miwok people continue and thrive in their resilience and self-determination. We celebrate and recognize our Nisenan, Maidu and Miwok tribal neighbors and honor their sustained existence.”

SCC Land Acknowledgement

“We acknowledge the land currently occupied by Sacramento City College as the traditional home of the Maidu, Miwok and Nisenan people. These sovereign people have been caretakers of the area since time immemorial. Despite centuries of genocide and occupation, the Maidu, Miwok and Nisenan people continue as vibrant and resilient federally recognized and unrecognized tribes, bands, and rancherias. Today, we honor and recognize our Maidu, Miwok and Nisenan tribal neighbors for their contributions as the caretakers of the Sacramento Valley and honor their sustained existence. It is with their blessing and continued guidance that Sacramento City College seeks to provide an accessible, equitable, and supportive institution of learning and experience.”

Los Rios Community College District

In the spirit of community and social justice, we acknowledge the land on which our four colleges reside as the traditional homelands of the Nisenan, Maidu, and Miwok tribal nations. These sovereign people have been the caretakers of the health of the rivers, the wildlife, the plant life, and the overall eco-social balance in the greater Sacramento region since time immemorial.

Despite centuries of genocide and occupation, the Nisenan, Maidu, and Miwok continue as vibrant and resilient tribes and bands, both Federally recognized and unrecognized. Tribal citizens of these nations continue to be an active and important part of our Los Rios college community. We take this opportunity to acknowledge the land and our responsibility to the original peoples, the present-day Nisenan, Maidu, and Miwok tribal nations.

Delta College Land Statement

We acknowledge that San Joaquin Delta College serves students and the community on the unceded ancestral homeland of indigenous peoples, including the Yokuts [yoh-kuts], Plains Mi- Wuk [mee-wuck], Patwin [PAT-win], and Nisenan [nish-n-non]. This land remains inseparable from its aboriginal stewards. As guests, we recognize that we benefit from living and working on their traditional homeland, and we wish to pay our respects by acknowledging the ancestors, elders and relatives of the Yokuts [yoh-kuts], Plains Mi- Wuk [mee-wuck], Patwin [PAT-win], and Nisenan, including by affirming their sovereign rights as First Peoples.

We remain grateful for the rich culture, languages, contributions, and heritage of the First Nation peoples who lived here and loved here, who raised their families here, who cared for land and life here, who are buried in many marked and unmarked places here, and who remain here despite acts of genocide, assimilation, and forced removal. Let us honor them, this land, and all life in our thoughts, words, and actions in this place.