



**FACULTY SENATE MEETING**

**September 27, 2021**

**EXHIBITS**



Minutes of the  
MEETING OF THE FACULTY SENATE  
September 20, 2021

APPROVED

**PRESENT:** Eduardo Aguilar, Lacey Craft, Will Dalrymple, Alexandra Doyle Bauer, Molly Faulkner, Jenny Fererro, Sergio Hernandez, Erin Hiro, Jason Jarvinen, Teresa Laughlin, Lawrence Lawson, Beatrice Manneh, Leigh Marshall, Adam Meehan, Susan Miller, Ben Mudgett, Scott Nelson, Wendy Nelson, Tina-Marie Parker, Candace Rose, Elizabeth Stephens, Fari Towfiq, Rocco Versaci, Reza Wrathall, Roxanna Vega (ASG), Anastasia Zavodny

**ABSENT:**

**GUESTS:** Cindy Anfinson, Sara Beck, Lisa Cecere, Cynthia Cordova, Kelly Falcone, Marlene Forney, C. Harrell, Leah Hoover, Bill Jahnelt, Kendyl Magnuson, Kristen Marjanovic, Leann Maunu, Patriceann Mead, Patrick O'Brien, Elizabeth Pain, Scott Richison, Tanessa Sanchez, Netta Schroer, Alyssa Vafaei, Jon Walker, Susan Wyche

**Please note: All votes are presumed unanimous unless indicated otherwise.**

**CALL TO ORDER** The video conference meeting was called to order by Senate President Rocco Versaci at 2:30 PM.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Senate Vice President Jenny Fererro reminded faculty of the deadline to submit proof of a COVID vaccination to HR. The deadline is October 11. Use "COVID-19 Proof of Vaccination" in the subject line of the email. Include your name, employee ID # and photos of both sides of your vaccination card. Email to: [benefits@palomar.edu](mailto:benefits@palomar.edu)

Senate Secretary Molly Faulkner announced that Neil Simon's *Fool, A Comic Fable* starts on October 7, live and in person on campus. Tickets can be purchased here [www.palomarperforms.com](http://www.palomarperforms.com) Every Thursday, everyone is invited to tune into concert hour. More information for these free concerts can also be found here [www.palomarperforms.com](http://www.palomarperforms.com)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Senate President Rocco Versaci announced an email was sent to Senators requesting volunteers to participate in a work group created to design a system to evaluate the new governance structure. If interested, let President Versaci know by noon on Sep 21.

**AGENDA CHANGES** – No agenda changes.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion 1** MSC: Laughlin/Zavodny

Faculty Senate approval of meeting minutes dated September 13, 2021 (see Exhibit 1).

The motion carried.

## **ACTION**

### **A. Curriculum**

**Motion 2** MSC: W. Nelson/Faulkner

Faculty Senate approval of Curriculum actions taken on September 15, 2021 (see Exhibit 2).

The motion carried.

### **B. Committee Appointments**

**Motion 3** MSC: Zavodny/Laughlin

Faculty Senate approval of the following committee appointments (see Exhibit 3):

The motion carried.

Evaluations Appeals Committee – **Joe Limer**, Faculty, tenured, at-large (21-23)

Academic Review Committee – **Elvia Nunez**, Faculty, Instruction, Library (21-23)

Infrastructure and Sustainability Council – **Sara Beck**, Part-Time Faculty Representative, advisory vote

Senator and Chair of Committees on Committees Anastasia Zavodny said a Senator volunteer is needed for the EAC Committee. Another call will go out today with a submission deadline of September 30. Senator and TERB Coordinator Lawrence Lawson added that if a Senator does not volunteer by the deadline, the seat becomes an at-large seat and will be filled by another faculty member.

### **C. Governance Change Form DEqCC**

**Motion 4** MSC: Laughlin/Zavodny

Faculty Senate approval of the changes made to the Senate subcommittee currently called DEqCC (see Exhibit 4):

The motion carried.

Senator and Co-Chair of DEqCC Eduardo Aguilar explained the necessary changes made to the name and scope of the subcommittee.

### **D. Senate Requests/Recommendations to District re Faculty Hiring**

President Versaci explained this list is a product of recommendations made during the recent faculty hiring procedure discussions by Faculty Senate. This list includes additional recommendations not under Faculty Senate purview and may improve diversity in faculty hiring. These recommendations will be forwarded to Dr. Rivera-Lacey and her executive team. VP Ferro added that once this document gets reviewed by the President and her team, Faculty Senate needs to be available to respond with ideas and suggestions of how best to incorporate these recommendations into the process.

**Motion 5** MSC: Laughlin/Towfiq

Faculty Senate approval of the document titled “Suggestions to District to Improve Diverse Faculty Hiring” as amended (see Exhibit 5):

The motion carried.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **A. Volunteers for Academic Grade Review Panel (see Exhibit 6)**

President Versaci shared the exhibit with Faculty Senate and said he will be asking Senator Zavodny to send a call out to faculty requesting two volunteers to sit on the panel.

### **B. Umoja Program Update**

President Versaci reminded Senators that at the last Senate meeting, VP Lakhani shared that the District's plan was to immediately go out for two new co-coordinators for the Umoja program. During a meeting with Dr. Rivera-Lacey on Sep 14, Versaci and Fererro shared Faculty Senate's concerns about the rush to fill those positions and Dr. Rivera-Lacey agreed to postpone the call. The District plans to research the history of both Umoja and Puente and sort out the requirements of moving forward. The President wanted to be assured that students currently enrolled in the program are getting their needs met. She met with the ex-co-coordinators and Richard Carr who felt strongly that students will continue to receive a full experience while in the program. Additionally, Versaci is working and will continue to work with Amber Colbert to possibly start a black student alliance club. Versaci will continue to provide Senate with updates.

Regarding the issue of the Umoja co-coordinators not getting paid for their work in a timely manner, Senator and Curriculum co-chair Wendy Nelson said she would like to see Faculty Senate get involved to improve the NOHE process to ensure that all faculty get paid as promised and on time for extra work performed. Nelson said this is a systemic problem at Palomar and offered to be part of a work group to offer up recommendations to the District.

### **C. Federal Grants Opportunities (see Exhibit 7)**

Dr. Susan Wyche, Dean of CTE began her presentation by stating she created the Powerpoint for President Rivera-Lacey and VP Jack Kahn primarily to show them what was happening at the federal level relating to workforce funding that will be coming our way in just a few short months. The Biden Administration, through its American Rescue Plan, has targeted the community college system for this funding.

Dr. Wyche summarized some of the slides listing programs and areas that will be targeted by the federal government for funding grants. Wyche reminded faculty that California Community College Chancellor Eloy Oakley is currently on sabbatical and is now working closely with the US Education Secretary on higher education matters including this upcoming grant program and how best to implement the funding process. Money will be available for improving infrastructure as well as free college tuition programs. Wyche hopes to see an uptick in enrollments and Palomar should have money to spend on those programs. She also stated that Palomar will have to increase and improve their wraparound student services so students can be successful in those programs. Palomar needs to evaluate how do we prepare our college to deal with much more financial activity and hiring activity that comes with being asked to scale up programs.

Regarding timing, Wyche went on to say that Congress wants to get this legislation done before the election year which is next year so they will have it under budget reconciliation by November. Negotiations are happening right now as to the total amount of the final bill. It will take Congress 6 to 9 months to figure out how to get the funds to the agencies and how the agencies will disperse it. Some funds may come in the form of grants or even pots of money moved to the states. The states then figure out how to disperse it. Calls may be going out next spring and then the funds hitting within the next year or two.

To plan for robust and improved institutional processes to support this change, Palomar needs to look at these bills and to ask ourselves, where do we have existing programs that can be modified or scaled up to meet the need. We need to think about staffing and how our current hiring and fiscal processes support this influx.

Dr. Wyche closed her presentation by telling Faculty to get ready to think outside the box.

**D. Academic Due Process – Tabled.**

**E. Governance Change Forms from College Council** (see Exhibit 8)

President Versaci shared governance change forms that were brought to College Council for first reading. The members were asked to share the documents with their constituent groups for comment. Most of the changes are basic in nature. Regarding the Professional Development Committee, Senators suggested adding something about reporting back to Senate on the faculty portion. Adding the idea of joint committees in the reporting relationship section was also mentioned.

**F. Enrollment Barriers for our Students** (see Exhibit 9)

President Versaci said there is great concern on campus regarding plunging enrollments. Although COVID is a major cause, there are other issues that need to be addressed. He emphasized this is a solutions-oriented discussion and will begin with listening sessions...allowing faculty to share their experiences, observations, and ideas about enrollment issue barriers.

There was lengthy discussion on the matter. To read the full set of notes taken during this discussion, view here: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1F88XzhyH7iYCKOVnRY2EWzCm\\_EVdp4o\\_yxdc9fQQiys/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1F88XzhyH7iYCKOVnRY2EWzCm_EVdp4o_yxdc9fQQiys/edit?usp=sharing) Some of the comments were not delivered during the Senate meeting but came in via email to the Senate President and Senate Vice President both before and after the actual meeting.

After the session, Versaci said he will send out one more call to faculty to give another chance to share information. Versaci and VP Fererro are compiling the information and will report back to Senate for next steps.

**REPORTS:**

**ASG (Mouawad)** - No report.

**President (Versaci)**

Jenny and I met with Dr. Star Rivera-Lacey on Tuesday, September 14, to discuss various issues, including the Faculty Listening Session coming up on Thursday, the changes to the faculty hiring procedures, some enrollment concerns, and the issues surrounding the Umoja program. Star agreed that a call should not go out for new co-coordinators until we get more information about the program's history and address ways to ensure both its success and the success of the coordinators (obviously related). Of utmost concern at this point is for the current students, and she has been assured by the outgoing coordinators and others involved in the program that those students will have a meaningful experience.

**College Council (Versaci)**

The College Council met on Friday, September 10. We reviewed the roles and responsibilities of the council, disbanded SPC and Policies & Procedures (since the CC is replacing SPC and will assume the work of P & P). There was some discussion about creating a work group or task force to review P & P matters before they come to the larger group. We also reviewed other changes to the governance structure necessitated by our shift to new councils. Those changes are on as information in the Senate's 9/20 meeting.

### **Equity, Education, & Student Success (EESS) Council (Versaci)**

The EESSC met on Friday, September 17 (after these reports were due).

### **Institutional Effectiveness (IE) Council (Bongolan)** - No report.

### **Employees, Community, & Communications (ECC) Council (Ferrerro)**

Employees, Community, and Communication Council met on 9/3. The Council reviewed the scope of work, discussed committees that should report to ECC Council, and discussed potential suggestions for future revisions to the membership.

### **Infrastructure & Sustainability (IS) Council (Lucindo)** – No report.

### **PFF (Laughlin)** - No report.

### **EEDCC – Educators for Equity, Diversity, and Cultural Consciousness (Aguilar/Sadat Ahadi)**

- We as a collective subcommittee would like to change our name to Educators for Equity, Diversity, and Cultural Consciousness (EEDCC).
- Our core values are...As activists to the Faculty Senate, this subcommittee will disrupt the status quo by dismantling and eradicating inequities. We challenge others to be uncomfortable and do the transgressive work towards the shared goal of infusing equity and antiracism throughout our college. We will rebuild, critically question, challenge, engage, reexamine equitable praxis, and validate cultural agency of the entire Palomar College Community with particular attention towards serving students.
- We will be meeting on Friday September 17, 2021 to begin planning our virtual social justice convening.

### **Accreditation (Meehan)** - No report.

### **Distance Education (Hiro)**

Here are the highlights of the Sept. 15 meeting

- Proctoring
  - Erin Hiro said that the Faculty Senate is asking for the DE Committee to bring forward proctoring programs that will replace Proctorio, which is problematic for invasion of privacy, equity, and technology limitations.
  - Kelly Falcone suggested that the DE Committee bring forward strategies for dealing with proctoring needs along with programs.
  - David Gray, from ATRC, told the committee that all proctoring programs have the same challenges as Proctorio
- Unichack
  - David Gray told the DE Committee that the college needs to move from the plagiarism checker UniCheck to CopyLeaks because UniCheck was bought by a larger company and the rates increased. The ATRC was hoping the transition could take place over the fall semester. They realized that it would run out this weekend.
  - The DE Committee Member Crystal Velasco made a motion to direct DE Coordinator Erin Hiro to work with Instruction to find \$6,000 to pay to keep UniCheck working through the end of the semester.
  - Motion approved unanimously.
- Canvas Program Selection
  - DE Committee members have expressed frustration over a lack of understanding on how the ATRC selects which Canvas programs to fund.
  - David Gray said he was not sure of the process either and that the ATRC learns about new programs through conferences and conventions or through faculty requests.
  - There are also concerns about free Canvas add-ons that faculty use in Canvas that are not accessible.

- The Committee will bring back this issue for further review and consider compiling a list of Canvas add-ons with information on their accessibility and other factors to help faculty in the selection process.
- **Canvas Access**
  - Last Spring, the Faculty Senate granted faculty the right to decide who has access to their class. Based on the resolution, the ATRC created an access of “Observer.” While this helps with TERB evaluations and some access needs, it is causing problems for Librarians who need to add content.
  - Committee member Linda Morrow asked that the DE Committee send a recommendation to the Senate to allow faculty to have full control over the level of access to a class.
  - David Gray cautioned that faculty have asked the ATRC to give students access to other students' grades and may inadvertently violate FERPA rights. He cautioned the DE Committee against granting full access.
  - The DE Committee will bring this issue back to the Oct. 6 meeting.
- **POCR**
  - The POCR process is being tested as part of the application to make Palomar a POCR-certified school.
  - Testers Linda Morrow, Amy Caterina and Kelly Falcone are participating in this testing cohort and are hoping to have it completed and sent to the state for review in October.
- **HyFlex**
  - The HyFlex experiment for four faculty members is going well. The students love the flexibility, and the faculty are learning how to balance the simultaneous Zoom and in-class students.
  - The only concern of current faculty is every class period so far has had some technology issue.
  - There is a growing list of faculty members who want to try HyFlex in the spring. The current HyFlex faculty cautioned the next test group should not be too big as to overwhelm the two AV support personnel.
  - The DE Coordinator spoke with one of them who said he was ready for the challenge.
  - The coordinator will caution administrators to schedule HyFlex classes carefully so there are no more than two starting at the same time in case there are technology challenges.
- **New Discussion Board Redesign**
  - Committee member Kelly Falcone asked the ATRC Rep about a new Discussion board feature that will help faculty. She wondered when training would be available and when it might be turned on David Gray said he would find out and get back to the DE Committee for guidance on the changes.
- **Goals**
  - The group worked on goals and collected feedback.
- **Action**
  - DE Coordinator Erin Hiro made a motion to elect Crystal Velasco to the position of DE Rep for the CALM committee.
  - Barbara Hammons seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

**Guided Pathways (Nelson)** - No report.

### **Budget (Ferreiro)**

Budget Committee met on 9/14 and was presented with the Adopted Budget, followed by a lengthy question and answer period, with many very specific questions being asked by our PFF reps on the committee. Faculty representatives on the committee have requested that there be the ability to review information and use the Budget Committee time to provide guidance and feedback before information is presented to the Governing Board or finalized.

### **TERB (Lawson)**

The semester has started with a bang. We're focused on getting in outstanding reports from previous semester to improve the completion rate for evaluation reports—especially among part-time reports. The pandemic shifted things a

bit, and doing everything digitally has provided some challenges, but it's essential to return all outstanding reports. This semester, after positive feedback last semester, we are continuing our *discussion* of implementing student evaluations at the end of all courses. Our next step is to take this to constituent groups for feedback and ideas. TERB is also exploring the idea of introducing a question in the self-reflection document for evaluations that asks faculty to look at disaggregated success/retention data for their courses and reflect on the numbers vis-à-vis their classroom practices. If this idea moves forward, we will solicit feedback and thoughtful ideas.

We also had a discussion of the optional Dean Form used on Part-Time Faculty Evaluations. There is some confusion about the process. To clarify: deans may ask to see evaluation materials for part-time faculty members before the evaluator assigns ratings (but after they've written the narrative). At that point, the Deans review the material and then complete their Dean Form—which currently has precisely one question (that was vetted by both faculty and admin): “The evaluatee adheres to contract guidelines.” Deans provide feedback on that question and return the evaluation materials and the signed Dean Form to the evaluator (however, they do not sign the final report because, well, it's not final as there are NO RATINGS). The evaluator then considers their feedback and decides whether to implement it into the report or not, completes the report, and meets with the part-time faculty member (after grades post).

Speaking of improving completion rates for reports and meeting with faculty after grades post, we're looking into a new process where you can meet with evaluatees before grades post *and* maintain our promise to students to not share their specific feedback with evaluatees before grades post. This potential new process may increase report completions as evaluators won't have to wait until the next semester to submit reports.

TERB is also exploring a web-based survey interface to eliminate the need of sending evaluations to email addresses and potential make evaluations more efficient—especially in face to face or general survey environments. More soon.

TERB also appoint its EAC member for the year, and the outgoing TERB coordinator has asked Senate, PFF, and the President's Office about seating their positions if they have not done so yet.

And speaking of outgoing...if you are interested in taking on the TERB Coordinator role (must be tenured faculty) because you believe in faculty-led evaluations, logistics excites you, you want to get to know your colleagues *really* well, and you are looking for a tough but rewarding leadership experience, please reach out to Lawrence Lawson. He would love to chat with you and make sure there are great applicants for the position come Spring 22.

**Professional Development (Guerrero)** - No report. The next meeting is Tuesday, September 28.

### **AB705 Subcommittee (Anfinson)**

The AB705 Support Subcommittee met on 9/09/2021, where we went over the following:

- **Action**
  - We approved the May 2021 minutes.
  - We voted on term limits for our SSC.
    - We will randomly assign ½ of the positions to a 1-year term, and ½ of the positions to a 2-year term.
    - Mark Clark, Wendy Metzger, and Cindy Anfinson (all Mathematics Department members) will randomly assign the positions and report back to the SSC.
  - The SSC noted that our scheduled November meeting falls on November 11 (Veterans' Day). The SSC decided to hold an unofficial meeting on Nov. 18 to continue our progress.
- **Readings/Research:**
  - NBER (National Bureau of Economic Research Working Paper: [Is Online Education Working?](#))
  - RP Group July 2021: [Enrollment and Success in Transfer-Level Math and English for Special Populations](#)
  - CCCCO's July 21 Report: [Equitable Placement Spotlight \(Implementation and Evaluation of AB705\)](#)
  - [Resource Library on Strong Start to Finish](#)



- Vision for Success AB705 Resources
  - Go to the 3PD Portal - Communities
  - Click on Communities Home
  - Click on All Communities
  - Go to CCC: Equitable Placement (AB705)
  - Click on Join Community
- **Reports**
  - Chair reported out regarding the May 26, 2021 presentation to SEA and monthly reports to Faculty Senate
  - No report from the AB705 Workgroup as that group has yet to meet this semester.
  - No report from Guided Pathways.
- **Group Work**
  - This fall the AB705 SSC is looking into closing equity gaps. We started by looking at the big picture. We will zoom in on DI groups later.
  - We broke out into 3 groups (see below)
    - Communication, Common Language, Common Advising
    - Tutoring and other Support Services
    - Data and Research into programs that help underserved students succeed, and Placement, Enrollment, Scheduling, and appearance in the schedule
  - Groups selected 1 or 2 priority goals from the May meeting and began creating an actionable plan to eventually send forward.
- **Announcements**
  - Grading for Equity book club and Becoming HSIs

**Sabbatical Leave (Lawson)**

We meet for the first time this semester on September 16<sup>th</sup>. At the meeting, we will begin to review sabbatical reports from AY 21-22.

**Equivalency (Towfiq)** - No report.

**Faculty Service Areas (Mudgett)** - No report. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 21.

**Credit for Prior Learning (Rose)** - No report.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Molly Faulkner*

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Molly Faulkner, Secretary

### Palomar College Advanced Placement Guide

- Students must have the College Board send an official Advanced Placement transcript to the Palomar College Records Office. Credit is awarded for scores of 3, 4, or 5. Students shall not receive duplicate credit for equivalent coursework and AP exams.
- AP credit may be used to meet Associate Degree GE and/or Palomar major course work, CSU GE, and IGETC requirements. Each CSU/UC campus will determine how it will apply examinations toward units and coursework in the major and G.E. (if not certified prior to transfer)
- When included within the Associate Degree for Transfer (AA-T/AS-T), Advanced Placement (AP) credit shall apply toward the lower-division minimum unit requirement for the CSU degree, and if applicable, the minimum unit designation for the CSU major or CSU GE-Breadth requirements.

| AP Exam                            | Score  | Palmar Equivalent  | Palomar Units | Palomar GE Units | Palomar GE Area    | CSU Transfer Units | CSUGE Units    | CSUGE/AHI Area     | UC Transfer Units | IGETC Units    | IGETC Area |
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| Art History                        | 3      | ART 100            | 6             | 3                | C                  | 6                  | 3              | C1 or C2           | 5.3               | 3              | 3A or 3B   |
| Biology                            | 3      | BIOL 100           | 6             | 4                | B                  | 6                  | 4              | B2+B3              | 5.3               | 4              | 5B+5C      |
| Calculus AB*                       | 3      | MATH 140           | 3             | 3                | A2+Math Competency | 3 <sup>1</sup>     | 3              | B4                 | 2.6 <sup>2</sup>  | 3              | 2A         |
| Calculus BC*                       | 3      | MATH 140+MATH 141  | 6             | 3                | A2+Math Competency | 6 <sup>1</sup>     | 3              | B4                 | 5.3 <sup>2</sup>  | 3              | 2A         |
| Calculus BC/AB*                    | 3      | MATH 140           | 3             | 3                | A2+Math Competency | 3 <sup>1</sup>     | 3              | B4                 | 2.6 <sup>2</sup>  | 3              | 2A         |
| Chemistry                          | 3      | CHEM 110+CHEM 110L | 6             | 4                | B                  | 6                  | 4 <sup>3</sup> | B1+B3              | 5.3               | 4              | 5A+5C      |
| Chinese Language & Culture         | 3      | CHIN 201           | 6             | 3                | C                  | 6                  | 3              | C2                 | 5.3               | 3              | 3B+6A      |
| Comparative Government & Politics  | 3      | NE                 | 3             | 3                | D                  | 3                  | 3              | D                  | 2.6               | 3              | 4          |
| Computer Science A                 | 3      | CSCI 114           | 3             | 0                | NA                 | 3 <sup>1</sup>     | 0              | NA                 | 5.3 <sup>5</sup>  | 0              | NA         |
| Computer Science Principles        | 3      | CSCI 112           | 6             | 0                | NA                 | 6 <sup>1</sup>     | 3              | B4                 | 5.3               | 0              | NA         |
| English Language & Composition     | 3      | ENG 100            | 6             | 3                | A1                 | 6                  | 3              | A2                 | 5.3 <sup>6</sup>  | 3              | 1A         |
| English Literature and Composition | 3      | ENG 100 or ENG 205 | 6             | 3                | A1 or C            | 6                  | 6              | A2+C2              | 5.3 <sup>6</sup>  | 3              | 1A or 3B   |
| Environmental Science              | 3      | NE                 | 4             | 4                | B                  | 4                  | 4              | B1+B3 <sup>7</sup> | 2.6               | 3 <sup>8</sup> | 5A+5C      |
| European History                   | 3      | NE                 | 6             | 3                | C or D             | 6                  | 3              | C2 or D            | 5.3               | 3              | 3B or 4    |
| European History                   | 4 or 5 | HIST 106           | 6             | 3                | C or D             | 6                  | 3              | C2 or D            | 5.3               | 3              | 3B or 4    |
| French Language & Culture          | 3      | FREN 201           | 6             | 3                | C                  | 6                  | 3 <sup>9</sup> | C2                 | 5.3               | 3              | 3B+6A      |
| German Language & Culture          | 3      | GERM 201           | 6             | 3                | C                  | 6                  | 3 <sup>9</sup> | C2                 | 5.3               | 3              | 3B+6A      |
| Human Geography                    | 3      | GEOG 105           | 3             | 3                | D                  | 3                  | 3              | D                  | 2.6               | 3              | 4          |
| Italian Language & Culture         | 3      | ITAL 201           | 6             | 3                | C                  | 6                  | 3              | C2                 | 5.3               | 3              | 3B+6A      |

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| Japanese Language & Culture                     | 3      | JAPN 201             | 6               | 3                | C                           | 6                  | 3               | C2                          | 5.3               | 3           | 3B+6A                        |
| Latin   | 3      | NE                   | 6               | 3                | C                           | 6                  | 3               | C2                          | 5.3               | 3           | 3B+6A                        |
| Latin: Vergil                                   | 3      | NE                   | 3               | 3                | C                           | 3                  | 3               | C2                          | 2.6               | 3           | 3B+6A                        |
| Macroeconomics                                  | 3      | ECON 101             | 3               | 3                | D                           | 3                  | 3               | D                           | 2.6               | 3           | 4                            |
| Microeconomics                                  | 3      | ECON 102             | 3               | 3                | D                           | 3                  | 3               | D                           | 2.6               | 3           | 4                            |
| Music Theory                                    | 3      | MUS 103              | 6               | 3                | C                           | 6                  | 0               | NA                          | 5.3               | 0           | NA                           |
| Physics 1                                       | 3      | PHYS 120             | 4 <sup>10</sup> | 4 <sup>10</sup>  | B                           | 4 <sup>10</sup>    | 4 <sup>10</sup> | B1+B3                       | 5.3 <sup>11</sup> | 4           | 5A+5C                        |
| Physics 2                                       | 3      | PHYS 121             | 4 <sup>10</sup> | 4 <sup>10</sup>  | B                           | 4 <sup>10</sup>    | 4 <sup>10</sup> | B1+B3                       | 5.3 <sup>11</sup> | 4           | 5A+5C                        |
| Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism <sup>8</sup> | 3      | PHYS 201             | 4 <sup>10</sup> | 4 <sup>10</sup>  | B                           | 4 <sup>10</sup>    | 4 <sup>10</sup> | B1+B3                       | 2.6 <sup>11</sup> | 4           | 5A+5C                        |
| Physics C: Mechanics <sup>8</sup>               | 3      | PHYS 200             | 4 <sup>10</sup> | 4 <sup>10</sup>  | B                           | 4 <sup>10</sup>    | 4 <sup>10</sup> | B1+B3                       | 2.6 <sup>11</sup> | 4           | 5A+5C                        |
| Psychology                                      | 3      | PSYC 100             | 3               | 3                | D                           | 3                  | 3               | D                           | 2.6               | 3           | 4                            |
| Seminar   | 3      | NE                   | 3               | 0                | NA                          | 3                  | 0               | NA                          | 0                 | 0           | NA                           |
| Spanish Language & Culture                      | 3      | SPAN 201             | 6               | 3                | C                           | 6                  | 3 <sup>12</sup> | C2                          | 5.3               | 3           | 3B+6A                        |
| Spanish Literature & Culture                    | 3      | SPAN 202             | 6               | 3                | C                           | 6                  | 3 <sup>13</sup> | C2                          | 5.3               | 3           | 3B+6A                        |
| Statistics                                      | 3      | MATH 120             | 3               | 3                | A2+Math Competency          | 3                  | 3               | B4                          | 2.6               | 3           | 2A                           |
| Studio Art: 2-D Design                          | 3      | NE                   | 3               | 0                | NA                          | 3                  | 0               | NA                          | 5.3 <sup>14</sup> | 0           | NA                           |
| Studio Art: 3-D Design                          | 3      | NE                   | 3               | 0                | NA                          | 3                  | 0               | NA                          | 5.3 <sup>14</sup> | 0           | NA                           |
| Studio Art: Drawing                             | 3      | NE                   | 3               | 0                | NA                          | 3                  | 0               | NA                          | 5.3 <sup>14</sup> | 0           | NA                           |
| US Government & Politics <sup>15</sup>          | 3      | NE                   | 3               | 3                | D+US-2 <sup>16</sup>        | 3                  | 3               | D+US-2 <sup>16</sup>        | 2.6               | 3           | 4+US-2 <sup>16</sup>         |
| US History <sup>15</sup>                        | 3      | NE                   | 6               | 3                | C or D + US-1 <sup>17</sup> | 6                  | 3               | C or D + US-1 <sup>17</sup> | 5.3               | 3           | 3B or 4 + US-1 <sup>17</sup> |
| US History <sup>15</sup>                        | 4      | HIST 101 or HIST 102 | 6               | 3                | C or D + US-1 <sup>17</sup> | 6                  | 3               | C or D + US-1 <sup>17</sup> | 5.3               | 3           | 3B or 4 + US-1 <sup>17</sup> |
| US History <sup>15</sup>                        | 5      | HIST 101+HIST 102    | 6               | 3                | C or D + US-1 <sup>17</sup> | 6                  | 3               | C or D + US-1 <sup>17</sup> | 5.3               | 3           | 3B or 4 + US-1 <sup>17</sup> |
| World History Modern                            | 3      | NE                   | 3               | 3                | C or D                      | 3                  | 3               | C2 or D                     | 5.3               | 3           | 3B or 4                      |
| World History Modern                            | 4 or 5 | HIST 108             | 3               | 3                | C or D                      | 3                  | 3               | C2 or D                     | 5.3               | 3           | 3B or 4                      |

NE: No course equivalency NA: Not Applicable

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\*The maximum credit toward the associate degree is 6.0 units combined.

<sup>1</sup> For the CSU, if a student passes more than one AP exam in calculus or computer science, only one examination may be applied to the baccalaureate.

<sup>2</sup> UC limitations include a maximum of 8 quarter/5.3 semester units for both Calculus AB and BC.

<sup>3</sup> Prior to Fall 2009, the CSU awarded 6 units toward B1+B3

<sup>4</sup> Students who completed the exam prior to Fall 2009 may apply 6 units to B1+B3.

<sup>5</sup> Prior to Fall 2018, The UC awarded 1.3 semester units.

<sup>6</sup> The UC unit limitations include 5.3 semester/8 quarter units for English Language & Composition and English Literature and Composition combined

<sup>7</sup> For the CSU, students who completed the exam prior to Fall 2009 may apply GE credit toward B1+B3 or B2+B3.

<sup>8</sup> Environmental Science, Physics C: Mechanics, and Physics C: Electricity/Magnetism earn 3 semester/4 quarter units each on IGETC and will require at least 4 additional semester units to include an Area 5B course to satisfy IGETC Area 5.

<sup>9</sup> The CSU awarded 6 units toward CSU GE C2 prior to Fall 2009.

<sup>10</sup> For Palomar College associate degrees and CSU transfer units, if a student passes more than one AP exam in physics, only six units of credit may be applied to the associate or CSU transfer, and only four units of credit may be applied toward Palomar and/or CSU GE.

<sup>11</sup> The UC limits all AP Physics exams to a maximum of 5.3 semester units/8 quarter units combined.

<sup>12</sup> The CSU awarded 6 units toward C2 up until Spring 2014

<sup>13</sup> The CSU awarded 6 units toward C2 up until Spring 2013

<sup>14</sup> UC credit limitations for all three exams is 5.3 semester/8 quarter units combined.

<sup>15</sup> Passing US Government & Politics and US History exams in combination with a "C" or better in POSC 120 or any other US-3 approved course will fulfill AHI.

<sup>16</sup> For AHI, students must complete any US-1 and US-3 course with a "C" or better.

<sup>17</sup> For AHI, students need to complete POSC 102 or any approved US-2 and US-3 course.

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## Palomar College College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) Guide

Students must have the College Board send an official CLEP transcript to the Palomar College Records Office.

Course credit, major placement, and units granted at Palomar College may differ from course credit, major prep placement, and units granted by a transfer institution.

CLEP credit may be used to meet Associate Degree GE and/or major course work and California State University (CSU) GE requirements.

When included within the Associate Degree for Transfer (AA-T/AS-T), College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) credit shall apply toward the lower-division minimum unit requirement for the CSU degree, and if applicable, the minimum unit designation for the CSU major or CSU GE-Breadth requirements.

**UC:** The University of California does not accept CLEP credit. **IGETC:** CLEP cannot be used on IGETC.

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| CLEP Exam   | Min Score | Palomar College    |                |              |                     | CSU System      |               |                  |
|---|-----------|--------------------|----------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|
|   |           | Palomar Equivalent | Palomar Credit | AD GE Credit | AD GE Area          | Transfer Credit | CSU GE Credit | AH&I or GE Area  |
| <b>American Government</b>                            | 50        | NE                 | 3              | 3            | D                   | 3               | 3             | D                |
| <b>American Literature</b>                            | 50        | ENG 225 or 226     | 3              | 3            | C                   | 3               | 3             | C2               |
| <b>Analyzing and Interpreting Literature</b>          | 50        | ENG 205            | 3              | 3            | C                   | 3               | 3             | C2               |
| <b>Biology</b>  | 50        | BIOL 101           | 3              | 3            | B                   | 3               | 3             | B2               |
| <b>Calculus</b>                                       | 50        | MATH 140           | 3              | 3            | A2, Math Competency | 3               | 3             | B4               |
| <b>Chemistry</b>                                      | 50        | CHEM 110           | 3              | 3            | B                   | 3               | 3             | B1               |
| <b>College Algebra</b>                                | 50        | MATH 110           | 3              | 3            | A2, Math Competency | 3               | 3             | B4               |
| <b>College Algebra-Trigonometry (Ended June 2006)</b> | 50        | MATH 135           | 3              | 3            | A2, Math Competency | 3               | 3             | B4               |
| <b>College Composition</b>                            | N/A       | NE                 | 0              | 0            | N/A                 | 0               | 0             | N/A              |
| <b>College Mathematics</b>                            | 50        | NE                 | 3              | 3            | A2, Math Competency | 0               | 0             | N/A              |
| <b>English Composition w/Essay (Ended June 2010)</b>  | 50        | ENG 100            | 4              | 4            | A1                  | 0               | 0             | N/A              |
| <b>English Literature</b>                             | 50        | ENG 210 or 211     | 3              | 3            | C                   | 3               | 3             | C2 (removed F11) |
| <b>Financial Accounting</b>                           | 50        | ACCT 201           | 4              | 0            | N/A                 | 3               | 0             | N/A              |

| CLEP Exam                                    | Min Score | Palomar College    |                |              |                     | CSU System      |               |                 |
|--|-----------|--------------------|----------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
|  |           | Palomar Equivalent | Palomar Credit | AD GE Credit | AD GE Area          | Transfer Credit | CSU GE Credit | AH&I or GE Area |
| French Language Level I                      | 50        | NE                 | 6              | 0            | N/A                 | 6               | 0             | N/A             |
| French Language Level II <sup>1</sup>        | 59        | NE                 | 9              | 3            | C                   | 9               | 3             | C2              |
| German Language Level I                      | 50        | NE                 | 6              | 0            | N/A                 | 6               | 0             | N/A             |
| German Language Level II <sup>1</sup>        | 60        | NE                 | 9              | 3            | C                   | 9               | 3             | C2              |
| History of the United States I <sup>2</sup>  | 50        | HIST 101           | 3              | 3            | D+US-1              | 3               | 3             | D+US-1          |
| History of the United States II <sup>2</sup> | 50        | HIST 102           | 3              | 3            | D+US-1              | 3               | 3             | D+US-1          |
| Human Growth and Development                 | 50        | NE                 | 3              | 3            | E                   | 3               | 3             | E               |
| Humanities                                   | 50        | HUM 100 or 101     | 3              | 3            | C                   | 3               | 3             | C2              |
| Information Systems & Computer Applications  | 50        | CSIT 125           | 3              | 0            | N/A                 | 3               | 0             | N/A             |
| Introduction to Educational Psychology       | 50        | NE                 | 3              | 0            | N/A                 | 3               | 0             | N/A             |
| Introductory Business Law                    | 50        | BUS 115            | 3              | 0            | N/A                 | 3               | 0             | N/A             |
| Introductory Psychology                      | 50        | PSYC 100           | 3              | 3            | D                   | 3               | 3             | D               |
| Introductory Sociology                       | 50        | SOC 100            | 3              | 3            | D                   | 3               | 3             | D               |
| Natural Sciences                             | 50        | NE                 | 3              | 3            | B                   | 3               | 3             | B1 or B2        |
| Precalculus                                  | 50        | MATH 135           | 3              | 3            | A2, Math Competency | 3               | 3             | B4              |
| Principles of Accounting (Ended June 2007)   | 50        | ACCT 201, 202      | 8              | 0            | N/A                 | 3               | 0             | N/A             |
| Principles of Macroeconomics                 | 50        | ECON 101           | 3              | 3            | D                   | 3               | 3             | D               |
| Principles of Management                     | 50        | BMGT 101           | 3              | 0            | N/A                 | 3               | 0             | N/A             |
| Principles of Marketing                      | 50        | BUS 155            | 3              | 0            | N/A                 | 3               | 0             | N/A             |
| Principles of Microeconomics                 | 50        | ECON 102           | 3              | 3            | D                   | 3               | 3             | D               |
| Social Sciences and History                  | 50        | NE                 | 3              | 3            | D                   | 0               | 0             | N/A             |

| CLEP Exam                                    | Min Score | Palomar College    |                |              |                     | CSU System      |               |                  |
|--|-----------|--------------------|----------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|
|  |           | Palomar Equivalent | Palomar Credit | AD GE Credit | AD GE Area          | Transfer Credit | CSU GE Credit | AH&I or GE Area  |
| <b>Spanish Language Level I</b>              | 50        | NE                 | 6              | 0            | N/A                 | 6               | 0             | N/A              |
| <b>Spanish Language Level II<sup>1</sup></b> | 63        | NE                 | 9              | 3            | C                   | 9               | 3             | C2               |
| <b>Trigonometry (Ended June 2006)</b>        | 50        | MATH 115           | 3              | 3            | A2, Math Competency | 3               | 3             | B4 (removed F06) |
| <b>Western Civilization I</b>                | 50        | HIST 105           | 3              | 3            | C or D              | 3               | 3             | C2 or D          |
| <b>Western Civilization II</b>               | 50        | HIST 106           | 3              | 3            | D                   | 3               | 3             | D                |

N/A = Not Applicable

NE = No Equivalent

<sup>1</sup> French Level II, German Level II, or Spanish Level II prior to F15 earn 12 units toward CSU admission

<sup>1</sup>If a student passes more than one CLEP test in the same language other than English (e.g., two exams in French), then only one examination may be applied to the baccalaureate. For each test in a language other than English, a passing score of 50 is considered "Level I" and earns six units of baccalaureate credit; the higher score listed for each test is considered "Level II" and earns additional units of credit and placement in Area C2 of GE Breadth, as noted.

<sup>2</sup> For AHI, students must complete POSC 102 or any approved US-2 and US-3 course

## Palomar College International Baccalaureate (IB) Guide

| IB Exam   | Palomar College |             |          |                     | California State University |                |              |            | University of California |                 |              |            |
|---|-----------------|-------------|----------|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------|------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|
|   | Minimum Score   | Total Units | GE Units | GE Area             | Minimum Score               | Transfer Units | CSUGE Credit | CSUGE Area | Minimum Score            | Transfer Credit | IGETC Credit | IGETC Area |
| Biology HL  | 5               | 6           | 3        | B                   | 5                           | 6              | 3            | B2         | 5                        | 5.3             | 3            | 5B         |
| Chemistry HL  | 5               | 6           | 3        | B                   | 5                           | 6              | 3            | B1         | 5                        | 5.3             | 3            | 5A         |
| Economics HL  | 5               | 6           | 3        | D                   | 5                           | 6              | 3            | D          | 5                        | 5.3             | 3            | 4          |
| Geography HL  | 5               | 6           | 3        | D                   | 5                           | 6              | 3            | D          | 5                        | 5.3             | 3            | 4          |
| History (any region) HL   | 5               | 6           | 3        | C or D              | 5                           | 6              | 3            | C2 or D    | 5                        | 5.3             | 3            | 3B or 4    |
| *Language A: Language and Literature HL (any language except English) | 4               | 6           | 3        | C                   | 4                           | 6              | 3            | C2         | 5                        | 5.3             | 3            | 3B+6A      |
| *Language A: Language and Literature HL (any language)                | 4               | 6           | 3        | C                   | 4                           | 6              | 3            | C2         | 5                        | 5.3             | 3            | 3B         |
| *Language A: Literature HL (any language except English)              | 4               | 6           | 3        | C                   | 4                           | 6              | 3            | C2         | 5                        | 5.3             | 3            | 3B+6A      |
| *Language A: Literature HL (any language)                             | 4               | 6           | 3        | C                   | 4                           | 6              | 3            | C2         | 5                        | 5.3             | 3            | 3B         |
| *Language B: HL (any language)  | 4               | 6           | 0        | NA                  | 4                           | 6              | 0            | NA         | 5                        | 5.3             | 3            | 6A         |
| Mathematics HL  | 4               | 6           | 3        | A2, Math Competency | 4                           | 6              | 3            | B4         | 5                        | 5.3             | 3            | 2A         |
| Physics HL  | 5               | 6           | 3        | B                   | 5                           | 6              | 3            | B1         | 5                        | 5.3             | 3            | 5A         |
| Psychology HL   | 5               | 3           | 3        | D                   | 5                           | 3              | 3            | D          | 5                        | 5.3             | 3            | 4          |
| Theatre HL  | 4               | 6           | 3        | C                   | 4                           | 6              | 3            | C1         | 5                        | 5.3             | 3            | 3A         |

NA = Not Applicable, HL = Higher Level

\*The IB curriculum offers language at various levels for native and non-native speakers. Language B courses are offered at the intermediate level for non-natives. Language A1 and A2 are advanced courses in literature for native and non-native speakers, respectively.

Students must have IB send an official transcript to the Palomar College Records Office

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| Name                        | Division         | Department                     | Committee/ Council requested                    | Position                          | How will you utilize an Equity and Antiracism lens in your work with this committee, or in what ways will you commit to learning about Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Antiracism?   | What are the knowledge, skills, and abilities you will bring to this committee?   | Action: Confirm |
| Betsy Little                | SBS              | Psychology                     | Academic Grade Review Panel                     | At-Large                          | I think in this particular committee, understanding cultural context is essential in understanding the communication between faculty and student, especially in regards to grades. In this case, in my experience, the power differential between student and professor can appear much great to students of color or historically marginalized populations.   | I have been a full time faculty member at 4 institutions over the last 15 years. I have served on Academic committees, have served in Student Life in student discipline settings, and have been a Title IV investigator and a prior institution. I was "brought up" in the student life side of things beginning as a Resident Assistant through the Dean of Student position. I have served on many disciplinary committee, include grade disputes. I think I can bring experience and a different perspective to this group.   |                 |
| Ben Mudgett                 | AMBA             | Instruction and Business       | Academic Grade Review Panel                     | At Large                          | I am involved across the District in creating culturally relevant and responsive practices to improve the student experience and reduce equity gaps. I am aware of and sensitive to my implicit biases and call attention to systemic barriers in the dismantling and rebuilding of our college and system.  | I sit on the academic review committee where students bring petitions to reconsider practices and policy as a result of their extenuating circumstances that caused hardship in their academic progress toward completion.  |                 |
| Lesley Blankenship-Williams | MSE              | Biology                        | Academic Grade Review Panel                     | Faculty, Biology                  | As I evaluate the grade dispute between and this instructor and student, will critically evaluate if (1) racism (even subtle) or discrimination was a contributing factor, (2) the instructor's grading policies were fair, equitable and reasonable for our students. For example, if an instructor assigns a failing grade because a student didn't purchase a \$1000 license for a program to complete an assignment, and the "need" for said program was not supported by the department, then that might be a case where a student is unable to succeed because of financial barriers. That's an equity issue.  | I am a full-time faculty member in the department in question who has taught full time at a community college for 15 years (13 of those years at Palomar). In my time, I've taught two 100-level courses and three different 200-level courses. I've taught mornings, afternoons, evening and even online prior to the pandemic. These experiences have exposed me to the diverse student body that the biology department serves in a variety of instructional modules. Fairness is a cornerstone of our grading system. Components of "fairness" include (1) ensuring that the assessment policies are listed in the syllabus in a detailed and unambiguous way, and (2) consistently enforcing those policies across all students. In other words, ensuring that grading is not arbitrary and capricious. My experience as the former TERB Coordinator provided additional experience at digging deeper to figure out where responsibility lies when two parties are in a disagreement.  |                 |
| Bill Jahnel                 | SBS              | EHPS                           | Academic Grade Review Panel                     | Alternate                         | As a member of the queer community I have had close contact with inequity both in my life and in the lives of those in the community, which hope allows my empathy to understand some of the challenges faced by other marginalized groups as well. My field of study has been in American Slavery Studies and the black experience in America from colonization to Reconstruction; I have endeavored to continue to learn through classes such as last year's excellent Africana Studies 101 for Professors and the HSI Book Club this semester. I remain open to understanding possible cultural biases that might play a role in grade disputes, or even among communication style sin general, in this specific example.   | I will refer to my first answer for DEI inclusion; I have served as the Chair twice in the Evaluation Appeals Committee, which deals with similarly sensitive topics of dispute with even more intense outcomes as rather than the grade in one class being on the line, it involves the future of a probationary faculty member. My interest and work in Constitutional issues (having served as the chair of the constitution committee for the PFF and overseen two major revisions during my tenure) and dealing with procedural issues (having worked with both Lesley Blankenship-Williams and Larry Lawson as heads of TERB on creating equitable and procedure methods for the EAC) would hopefully prove fruitful in helping inform a procedure that would be equitable for making sure the rights of both professor and student were honored in the dispute.  |                 |
| James Fent                  | SBS              | Alcohol and Other Drug Studies | Behavioral Health and Campus Wellness Committee | Faculty, Instructional (21-23)    | By ensuring behavioral health services are easily available to all students. Reduce stigma around seeking behavioral health services. Perhaps assist with language/script in written materials to ensure inclusion.  | I am a licensed marriage and family therapist and certified substance abuse counselor.  |                 |
| Rosie Antonecchia           | Student Services | Counseling                     | Committee on Service Learning                   | Faculty, Student Services (21-23) | Service Learning is an activity that helps students who need opportunities to gain experience and confidence in making career decisions via opportunities parents cannot assist them with like other families can. I hope to contribute and learn about the work this committee is already doing to close gaps for our DI students.  | I am one of the Career Continuum creation members and I hope to bring and share the information learned from that committee and my experience in the career center to continue to advocate for the existing gaps that are barriers in the student job readiness journey.  |                 |
| Seth San Juan               | SBS              | American Indian Studies        | Distance Education Committee                    | Faculty at Large (20-22)          | I will continue to advocate for those who are marginalized and silenced.   | I will bring my experience and knowledge teaching American Indian Studies and Ethnic Studies to this work   |                 |
| Jeff Epstein                | SBS              | Philosophy                     | Sabbatical Leave                                | Faculty tenured, L&L (20-23)      | Racial justice, equity, and self-examination/critique are central pillars of my engagement with colleagues and students. As a member of Palomar's White Allies group, Co-chair of Behavioral Sciences, and an instructor, I have a demonstrated commitment to equity and antiracism. For example, in meetings with the Dean and VPI, I have requested that the administration remain accountable and transparent in progress made toward meeting the DEI goals. I have completed many anti-bias PD trainings, and I have been working on decolonizing my syllabus (for many years now) and building internal antiracist resources for the department to use in their respective disciplines. Sabbatical leave will support all faculty, but its processes can also be improved to support projects specifically tailored to racial justice (as we did in this past cycle where faculty who took Africana Studies courses received salary credit.) That said, I look forward to further PD trainings in DEI, and would like to create a survey for the committee that seeks specific feedback from BIPOC colleagues on the application process and support structures currently in place that the committee has developed over the years. | I served on the committee for two years, so I understand how every step of the sabbatical process the process works, I know many of the committee members so communication and collaboration have already been well-established. As noted, I have been requesting the Dean of SBS and the VPI to provide chairs and directors with regular updates on Palomar's antiracist progress. I have communicated this with faculty members in my department, then took their feedback back to the Dean and VPI. I supported UMOJA in adding a Sociology course for Fall. I am the faculty mentor for the Philosophy Club which is specifically anchored upon the contributions of non-traditional figures of philosophy, including women racial and ethnic minorities, and LGBTQIA+ thinkers. Before the pandemic, I worked with students in unpaid directed studies courses on gender violence, racial and economic equality. My syllabi are constantly revised in terms of assessment, content, and organization in order to further decolonize the syllabus and make it more accessible to all students. |                 |



Approved by the Faculty Senate, ~~12-10-2018~~ 08-30-2021

## FACULTY HIRING PROCEDURES

The Faculty of Palomar College, in establishing the procedures for the hiring of full- and part-time faculty, is guided by the following principles:

**The Faculty's role in Shared Governance:** Pursuant to rules adopted by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, the Palomar College Governing Board elects to rely primarily on the advice and judgment of Faculty Senate on academic and professional matters. Among these matters are "faculty hiring policy, faculty hiring criteria, and faculty hiring procedures," specifically noted as number 11 in the "10+1+1."

**A Guiding Principle in Shared Governance:** Palomar College's Administrative Procedure (AP) 2510 aptly describes a guiding principle for the faculty's and administration's participation, transparency, and accountability in Shared Governance:

The governance structure and practices embrace the Palomar Community College District values of supporting inclusiveness of individual and community viewpoints in collaborative decision-making processes; promoting mutual respect and trust through open communication and actions; and fostering integrity as the foundation for all we do.

**Commitment to Diversity** – The faculty of Palomar College is committed to the goal of diversity and equity in hiring. To that end, while the faculty maintains discipline/subject expertise as a first priority, the elements related to hiring should reflect the faculty's commitment to building diversity as described in both AP 4025 and AP 7120: (NOTE: AP 7120 is currently being revised, so changes to the language in that AP will need to be updated here)

In all phases of recruitment and hiring, equal opportunity is afforded to all employees and qualified applicants for employment without discrimination on bases including but not limited to: ethnic group identification, race/ethnicity, color, national origin, religion, socio-economic status, age, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sex, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, political affiliation, transgender, marital status, veteran status, medical conditions, union membership or on the basis of these perceived characteristics, or based on association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Applicants not possessing specific qualifications as outlined in the job announcement who feel that their background and experience is equivalent to the minimum requirements are encouraged to apply.

In defining diversity with a broad list of groups and individual characteristics, the Faculty recognizes the complex dynamics of the goal of diversity, acknowledging that while our differences may be evident in ways that are sometimes overt and obvious, they often become evident in language, tone, and attitude. We are committed to an understanding of diversity that acknowledges both visible and invisible registers of difference, and we embrace the goal of a more diverse faculty in all elements of recruitment and hiring, while keeping in mind the California state laws specifying that no preferential treatment can be given to protected classes.

**The goal of the 75/25 Ratio:** In 1988, the California Legislature in section 70 of AB1725 (the fundamental California Community College reform bill) found and declared: "Because the quality, quantity and composition of full-time faculty have the most immediate and direct impact on the quality of instruction, overall reform cannot succeed without sufficient numbers of full-time faculty."

Based on this declaration, the reform bill established the current system goal regarding full-time faculty standards: "the Legislature wishes to recognize and make efforts to address longstanding policy of the Board of Governors that at least 75 percent of the hours of credit instruction in the California Community Colleges, as a system, should be taught by full-time instructors."

## Definitions

- **ANTIRACISM:** a form of action against racism in all aspects of curriculum, pedagogy, praxis, and policy.

- **DEI:**

**DIVERSITY:** includes but is not limited to race and ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, language, culture, national origin, religious commitments, age, (dis)ability status, and perspectives. Diversity is imperative as we can learn different lived experiences and perspectives regarding important matters.

**EQUITY:** is when we elevate and support underrepresented and historically marginalized communities. This may include dismantling barriers for them and ensuring they are supported in all aspects of life.

**INCLUSION:** ensures that our campus is a place where diversity is welcomed, heard, and where every individual feels a sense of belonging and connection. Inclusion is important because we must work together to make our campus a better place for students and the overall surrounding community.

- **EQUITY-MINDED:** carrying a perspective to challenge inequities students and communities are confronted by and ensuring equity is at the forefront of decision-making.

The Faculty of Palomar College has developed the following procedures for the hiring of

67 full and part-time faculty. These procedures are generally in line with the College's AP 7120.  
68 Where they diverge from that procedure, this document has precedence over AP 7120. The  
69 Faculty's intention is to maintain the standard of excellence which has been the hallmark of the  
70 Palomar College Faculty and to encourage the principles noted above.  
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## 71 **RESPONSIBILITIES OF ALL INVOLVED PARTIES**

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- 73 1. **Confidentiality:** Each participant in the hiring process is responsible for maintaining the  
74 confidentiality of all aspects of the selection process, including written materials, oral  
75 discussions and any other information that relates to the selection process. Such  
76 information may be shared only with members of the Selection/Joint Selection/President's  
77 Committees, Human Resource Services (HRS), and the administrators involved.  
78 Confidentiality must be maintained permanently.  
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- 80 2. **Fairness/Objectivity:** Each participant in the hiring process is expected to be objective,  
81 ~~and~~ fair, and equity-minded in their word and actions ~~conduct and attitude~~. Potential conflicts  
82 of interest, including personal,  
83 professional, and financial relationships with candidates, need to be considered. If the  
84 participant cannot be objective, ~~and~~ fair, and equity-minded towards all candidates, they  
85 should remove  
86 themselves from the hiring process.  
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- 86 3. **Following established policies**  
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88 **4. Protecting Palomar College from legal liabilities**

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90 **5. Cooperating and working together as a team:** The committee is tasked with various  
91 duties which need to be accomplished in a timely manner. If any committee member  
92 requests a delay in performing these duties, the voting members of the committee can  
93 consider that request and then decide on it by consensus or majority vote.  
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95 **6. Attendance:**

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97 a. All members of the hiring committee, including the compliance officer, must be present for  
meetings, interviews, and deliberations. NOTE: The title "compliance officer" is currently  
being revisited/revised by HR and on AP 7120, so the terminology will be updated here  
and elsewhere in this document when that change is finalized.

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100 b. If a voting member of the committee misses any part of an interview or deliberation, the  
101 committee member is ineligible for further participation in the hiring process.  
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103 c. All members, including the compliance officer, must be present ~~in person~~ for interviews  
and deliberations, whether those are done face-to-face or remotely through Zoom or some  
similar method.

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105 d. Each hiring committee will establish its specific policy with regard to attendance at  
106 preparatory meetings (e.g., development of announcement and materials, etc.). The  
107 committee can decide to conduct some or all of these tasks by email. The Compliance  
108 Officer must be included in all of these communications.  
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110 **7. Compliance Officer's role:**

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112 a. It is the responsibility of the Compliance Officer to observe and monitor the hiring  
113 process to ensure complete fairness and consistency for each applicant and to serve as  
114 a non-voting resource person to the hiring committee.

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116 b. The Compliance Officer must be present during all meetings of the hiring committee and  
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are conducted (e.g., Microsoft Teams, Canvas, etc.).  
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119 **8. Training:**

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- a. Prior to participating as a hiring committee member, members must receive training from Human Resources on the selection process. Faculty Senate may also offer training for faculty members serving on faculty search committees. Such training must occur within one year prior to serving on a hiring committee. HRS shall provide hiring committee training. Hiring Committee Training materials are available through HRS.
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- b. Training shall include the philosophy and commitment to staff diversity as outlined in the District's Equal Employment Opportunity Plan and BP/AP 3000, and this training should be inclusive of racial, ethnic, and cultural diversity and implicit bias, the roles and responsibilities of all members of the selection committee, the selection process, interview procedures and techniques (including guidelines on appropriate follow-up questions and reference checks), and the confidentiality of the selection process.

131 **FULL TIME FACULTY**

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133 These procedures are established for the regular, routine process for hiring full-time faculty.  
134 The Faculty recognizes the central role of HRS in the success of these procedures. In every  
135 stage of the process, the goal is collaboration in the service of high standards and the growth  
136 of a first-rate, diverse faculty.

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138 Once the hiring process has commenced, the position can only be cancelled due to a lack of  
139 qualified candidates, as determined by a consensus or majority of the voting members of the  
140 Selection or Joint Selection Committees.

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143 **A. DEFINITION OF “CONSENSUS” AND “BUILDING CONSENSUS”**

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145 AP 2510 defines the recommendation process:

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~~147 Recommendations shall emerge ideally as a result of group consensus. When~~  
~~148 consensus cannot be reached, a majority of those voting shall determine the~~  
149 recommendation. Recommendations shall emerge ideally as a result of group  
consensus. When consensus cannot be reached, an affirmative vote of 2/3 of voting  
members present shall determine the recommendation.

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151 Thus, the definition of “consensus” is that the entire committee, using a collaborative decision-  
152 making process, comes to an agreement.

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154 To “build a consensus” is to encourage the open discussion, active listening, and cooperative  
155 behavior that are vital to the collaborative decision-making process.

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158 **B. IDENTIFICATION OF POSITIONS**

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160 1. Full-time faculty positions are requested by departments or disciplines and then are  
161 prioritized by a subcommittee of the Equity, Education, and Student Success Council  
~~(EESSC) Instructional Planning Council (IPC)~~, utilizing the  
162 procedure developed by EESSC IPC.

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164 2. Full-time positions for counseling and library faculty are identified through a specific  
165 formula developed by counselors, librarians, and the District.

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167 3. As early as possible, EESSC IPC will publish the priority list of positions to be hired,  
ideally by May 1.

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169 4. With the goal of establishing the strongest and most diverse pools of candidates, a  
170 preliminary number of positions to be hired will be determined by the  
171 Superintendent/President and submitted to the Governing Board as early as possible,  
172 ideally by August 15.

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174 5. In the interest of a more efficient process, multiple positions for specific departments  
175 may be considered where appropriate. Departments which are designated for multiple  
176 positions may forfeit priority consideration in the one to three years following.

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178 6. Departments may begin work on preliminary preparations relating to announcements,  
179 etc. in order to act as quickly as possible when positions are approved by the  
180 Governing Board. These steps will be contingent upon HRS requirements relating to  
181 training.

## 182186 183187 184 **C. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECRUITMENT**

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186 A crucial element of these procedures is the goal of flexibility in the steps outlined below.  
187 After the positions to be hired are identified and approved, departments will work with HRS  
188 to establish appropriate timelines. Considerations relating to discipline expertise and diversity  
189 should guide the establishment of timelines between the notification of positions to be hired  
190 and the expected hire date.

### 191195 192 1. Announcements

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194 a. The position announcement is developed through a collaborative process involving  
195 the department/program, appropriate administrators, and HRS.

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197 b. Human Resource Services must approve all announcements prior to posting.

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199 c. Announcements must receive final authorization by the Selection Committee Chair,  
200 Department Chair / Program Director (or designee), Dean of the appropriate  
201 division, and the appropriate Vice President.

### 202206 203 2. Components

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205 The position announcement should contain equity-minded language and must include  
the following:

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207 a. A description of the position duties, responsibilities, salary, benefits, and terms of  
208 employment (including classification, working hours, conditions). The announcement  
should also provide the college's DEI commitment statement, details about the  
student population that Palomar College serves, and the college's and hiring  
department's employee demographics.

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210 b. Minimum qualifications, as determined by the State Academic Senate and the  
211 Board of Governors in accordance with Education Code Section 87356 et seq.

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213 c. Preferred qualifications (when listed) that are job-related and consistent with the  
214 demands of the discipline/subject area. Departments should carefully consider  
whether their "preferred qualifications" might create a barrier to a diverse applicant  
pool and use them only when warranted.



- 216 d. A provision for determination of equivalency, if applicable.
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- 218 e. Depending on employment unit, a statement regarding required participation in
- 219 shared governance.

- f. Additional language required for compliance with federal, state, and District regulations (e.g., Equal Opportunity Employer notice).
  - g. Any application procedures specific to the posted position.
  - h. A statement in accordance with Title 5 that requires that all applicants be “sensitive to and have an understanding of the diverse academic, socioeconomic, cultural, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation, and ethnic backgrounds of community college students, faculty, and staff.” Departments/programs will require applicants to explain or submit written materials that provide evidence of such understanding.
  - i. Legal qualifiers established by Human Resource Services to comply with federal, state, and District regulations.
3. Advertising and Recruitment
- a. HRS will actively advertise and recruit within diverse network platforms ~~provides assistance, including the identification of appropriate advertising media.~~ The Department Chair/Director or designee Selection Committee Chair/ Department Chair/Program Director (or designee) will confer with HRS to establish venues outside the standard advertising methods and sites.
  - b. Venues additional to the standard will be at the expense of the District ~~department/division~~
  - c. Job announcements are advertised through various organizations (e.g., the California Community Colleges Registry) and through various online sources.
  - d. Transfer Opportunities: For eligible positions, notice of transfer opportunities will be distributed internally to provide current employees notice of such positions, subject to provisions of applicable collective bargaining agreements or employee handbooks.
  - e. Wording on Announcements: Wording on faculty job announcements will include this statement: “If an applicant’s qualifying degree is in progress but will be conferred before the position begins, then they must also include a written statement from their advisor indicating the anticipated degree conferral date. Should such applicants receive a job offer, that offer will be contingent on conferral of the degree by the position’s start date.”

## **D. APPLICATIONS**

- 1. All applications shall be submitted to HRS.
- 2. Applications for open positions are available online through the District website.
- 3. Applicants must establish a digital profile (individual user account) in the online system

261 in order to be considered. Applicants may visit HRS for assistance with this first step.

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263 4. For assistance with any element of the process, applicants should contact HRS  
264 directly.

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266 5. The application will contain the following basic components:

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- 270 a. Application form inclusive of educational and professional histories, skills and  
271 qualifications and references, and equivalency.  
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273 b. Conviction history.  
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275 c. Confidential data for federal and state collection and reporting purposes.  
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277 6. HRS will accept application materials until the position is closed.  
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279 7. Letters of recommendation will be accepted for one week after the position is closed.  
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## 282 **E. PRE-SCREENING**

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284 1. HRS will pre-screen all applications for completeness and evidence of minimum  
285 qualifications prior to forwarding applications to the Selection Committee.  
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287 2. Completed applications which do not meet minimum qualifications, but which have a  
288 completed equivalency form will be forwarded to the Selection Committee for review.  
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290 3. All applicants with completed applications who meet stated minimum qualifications will  
291 be forwarded to the Selection Committee.  
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## 294 **F. SELECTION COMMITTEE FORMATION**

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296 1. The First-level Selection Committee is composed of the following members:  
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298 • Committee Chair or Co-chairs (Department Chair/Director or faculty designee(s))  
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300 • Faculty members from the discipline or a related discipline. The committee, at its  
301 discretion, may include one community member or a faculty member from another  
302 institution with expertise in the appropriate discipline.  
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304 • One (1) faculty member from outside of the department  
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306 • One (1) student (optional —~~non-voting~~)  
  
• One (1) employee from Classified, CAST, or AA (optional)  
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308 • One (1) Compliance Officer (non-voting)  
  
• All matters pertaining to the “optional” members will be decided via consensus by  
the 1<sup>st</sup>-Level Committee Chair and the faculty members from the  
discipline/department  
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310 2. Each voting member has one vote.

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312 3. Diversity  
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314 Per Title 5, 53024.e, "Whenever possible, screening committees shall include a diverse,  
equity-minded  
315 membership which will bring a variety of perspectives to the assessment of applicant

qualifications.” The Selection Committee Chair or Co-chairs will maintain discipline expertise as the primary value in committee formation and will make every reasonable effort to include representation that will advance the Faculty’s commitment to diversity as described in the guiding principles at the start of this document.

#### 4. Verification of Committee Composition

HRS verifies compliance of Selection Committee membership with applicable Board policies and procedures.

### **G. SELECTION COMMITTEE DUTIES**

#### 1. Selection Committee Chair Duties

##### a. Pre-screening

1) ~~Selection Committee Chairs will be given the option to have~~ HRS will contact applicants with incomplete applications to obtain missing materials (i.e. missing transcripts). This includes applicants who do not meet the minimum qualifications and did not complete an equivalency form. Applicants will be given one week to complete their application once notified by HRS.

2) Selection Committee Chairs will have access to all applications for the purpose of review.

b. Ensuring compliance with District policies and procedures in conjunction with the hiring process

c. Maintaining committee records

2. All screening criteria, interview questions, teaching demonstrations/skills test/performance demonstrations and their associated scoring rubrics must be approved by HRS.

#### 3. Develop screening criteria and scoring rubric

a. Voting members of the Selection Committee identify screening criteria based on the minimum and desirable qualifications of the position in light of the expected duties and responsibilities of the position.

b. Screening criteria will include an evaluation of the extent to which applicants have and demonstrate sensitivity to and understanding of the diverse academic, socioeconomic, cultural, disability, and ethnic backgrounds of community college students.

#### 4. Develop first-level interview questions and scoring rubric

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364 a. Voting members of the Selection Committee develop job-related interview  
365 questions and their ideal answers designed to distinguish candidates who will best  
366 meet the needs of students and the department. While there is a required diversity  
question (see below), committees should endeavor to embed DEI concerns in all  
questions.

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369 b. Voting members decide the allotted time for the interview.

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371 c. A question related to diversity is required and should allow voting membersto  
372 assess candidates' attitudes about and level of awareness of diversity in light of the  
373 diverse student body found at Palomar College. Ideally, this question should be  
framed by highlighting the DEI and antiracism efforts at the college, and it should be  
designed to elicit the candidate's past actions and experiences and/or a behavioral  
response as opposed to general thoughts on the issue.

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375 5. Develop first-level teaching demonstration and scoring rubric. In developing the rubric,  
the committee should consider the candidate's use of culturally-relevant materials and/or  
pedagogy.

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377 a. Though it is not generally advisable, search committees may elect to hold remote  
interviews through Zoom or some similar method rather than face-to-face. The search  
committee should reach consensus on this decision, and it would have to be applied to  
all interview candidates (that is, if remote interviews are chosen, then all candidates  
must be interviewed remotely for the sake of consistency/fairness). In-person/live  
teaching demonstrations are required at the first level interview.

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379 b. Voting members of the Selection Committee determine the subject matter, format,  
380 and allotted time of the demonstration of teaching, counseling, or librarianship skills  
381 required of all faculty candidates. The committee should include, as part of its  
directions to candidates, a description of the diverse student population that the  
college serves.

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383 6. Develop optional practical skills test or performance demonstration and scoring rubric

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385 a. The first-level interview process may involve skills testing and performance  
386 demonstrations appropriate to the position.

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388 b. Voting members of the Selection Committee determine the subject matter, format,  
389 and allotted time of the skills test or performance demonstration.

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391 7. Screen applications

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393 a. All voting members of the Selection Committee individually screen all applications  
394 to select candidates for interview.

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396 b. All voting members of the Selection Committee, using the pre-approved screening  
397 criteria and rubric, complete screening forms for each applicant.

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8. Select candidates for interviewing
  - a. The Selection Committee decides the number of candidates it wishes to interview.
  - b. Candidates are discussed and considered using the scoring rubric and screening forms as guides.
  - c. The voting members of the Selection Committee will work together to build a consensus on selecting candidates for interviewing.
  - d. The voting members of the Selection Committee shall, by consensus or by majority vote, select the candidates they wish to interview.



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- e. It is recommended that the committee give the “benefit of the doubt” to candidates who may not receive consensus or a majority vote, if the committee feels enough voting members are interested in having that candidate interviewed. This is the only time in the hiring process where the “benefit of the doubt” can be utilized.
  - f. The committee can choose alternate candidates to interview in the event any selected candidate declines to be interviewed. These alternates should be ranked by order of preference. HRS will contact those alternates during the interview scheduling process.
9. Interview candidates
- a. HRS provides copies of the interview screening forms and the interview schedule to the Selection Committee.
  - b. Follow-up questions may be asked as long as they do not lead the candidate to a desired response and stay within the scope of the original question or answer. In addition, information on the application, resumé, or portfolio may be specifically addressed if not included in the original answer (and remains in the scope of the original question).
  - c. At the request of the Selection Committee, a candidate who must travel more than 150 miles to interview with the Selection Committee may be interviewed by the Joint Selection Committee and the Superintendent/President or designee within a day of the Selection Committee interview. If the candidate becomes a finalist for the position, these interviews will serve as finalist interviews. The questions used for this interview must be the same as those used for the rest of the finalists.
10. Select finalists to forward to the second-level interview
- a. After interviews are completed, members of the Selection Committee meet in person to discuss and evaluate the qualifications of the candidates. The committee also considers whether the candidates demonstrate appropriate sensitivity to and understanding of the diversity of the Palomar College community.
  - b. The Committee will forward a minimum of the candidates that is the number of approved positions plus one. Exceptions require approval by the President/Superintendent or designee.
  - c. The voting members of the Selection Committee will work together to build a consensus on selecting candidates for forwarding to the second-level interview.
  - d. The voting members of the Selection Committee shall, by consensus or by majority vote, select the finalists for consideration by the Joint Selection Committee.
  - e. No alternates may be chosen for advancement to the second-level interviews.

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- f. All recommended finalists must be acceptable to the Selection Committee since only a candidate recommended by the Selection Committee will be hired.
  - g. If the Selection Committee is not satisfied with the interviewed candidates, the committee will:
    - 1) Review information regarding the candidates and/or the nature of the position; and/or
    - 2) Review the application pool to ensure that other potential candidates have not been overlooked; and/or
    - 3) Recommend that a new search be initiated.
  - h. The Selection Committee Chair forwards the list of the finalists to HRS.
11. Choose members who will serve on the Joint Selection Committee (see “Joint Selection Committee Formation” section for details.)
12. Choose members to perform reference checks
- a. Reference checks are required for all positions.
  - b. At least two voting members of the Selection Committee who are moving forward to the Joint Selection Committee will be chosen to conduct reference checks on the finalists.
  - c. The Faculty Observer is not permitted to conduct reference checks.
  - d. Information gathered through reference checks will be shared with the Joint Selection Committee during deliberations.
13. Develop the optional second-level teaching demonstration and scoring rubric
- a. Teaching demonstrations are optional at the second-level interviews. The Department responsible for the position will make the determination relating to a second-level teaching demonstration.
  - b. If a second-level teaching demonstration is desired, the voting members of the Selection Committee determine the subject matter, format, and time allotted of the demonstration of teaching, counseling, or librarianship skills.
14. Conclude the committee work

- 503 a. The committee works together to fill out the HRS interview report, using specific  
504 job-related reasons for why a candidate was not chosen as a finalist.  
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506 b. Committee members who are participating in the Joint Selection Committee retain  
507 all their materials relating to the applications and interviews.  
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509 c. Committee members who are not continuing in the hiring process submit all their  
510 materials to the Selection Committee Chair, who will submit them to the Joint  
511 Committee Chair at the conclusion of the Joint Committee work. All emails and  
512 other digital documents relating the hiring process must be deleted.  
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## 515 H. JOINT SELECTION COMMITTEE FORMATION

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517 For the purpose of the second-level interviews, the Joint Selection Committee is composed  
518 of the following members:

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520 • Appropriate Dean, who serves as the Joint Selection Committee Chair  
  
521 • College President/Superintendent  
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523 • Chair or at least one Co-Chair of the Selection Committee  
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525 • Vice President for Instruction or Student Services, as appropriate  
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527 • At least two (2) additional voting members from the Selection Committee  
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529 • One (1) Compliance Officer (non-voting)

## 530528 531529 532 I. JOINT SELECTION COMMITTEE DUTIES

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534 1. Joint Selection Committee Chair Duties  
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536 a. Ensuring compliance with District policies and procedures in conjunction with the  
537 hiring process  
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539 b. Maintaining committee records  
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541 c. Contacting the appropriate Vice President and the President/Superintendent to  
542 schedule the second-level interviews and deliberation times.  
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544 d. Performing other duties determined by agreement with the committee  
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546 e. HRS notifies the Dean and the Chair of the Selection Committee to confirm the list of  
547 finalists.  
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- 547 f. HRS sends materials related to the second-level interview to the Dean, who then  
548 convenes the Joint Selection Committee.  
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- 550 2. All interview questions and their scoring rubrics must be approved by HRS.  
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- 552 3. Develop second-level interview questions and scoring rubric  
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- 554 a. Voting members of the Selection Committee develop job-related interview  
555 questions and their ideal answers, designed to distinguish candidates who will best  
556 meet the needs of the department and the district.  
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- 558 b. Voting members decide the allotted time for the interview.  
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- 560 4. Review the finalists' applications  
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- 562 Once HRS has approved all interview materials, the new members of the Joint  
563 Selection Committee will be given access to the applications.  
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- 565 5. Interview finalists  
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- 567 ~~a. Two separate second-level interviews are conducted, one by the Joint Selection~~  
568 ~~Committee and the other by the President's Committee. The President's~~  
569 ~~Committee interview process is described in more detail in the "President's~~  
570 ~~Committee's Duties" section.~~  
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- 572 ~~b. a.~~ The Joint Selection Committee interviews all forwarded finalists.  
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## 575 **J. PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE FORMATION**

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577 ~~For the purpose of the President's Committee interviews, the President's Committee is~~  
578 ~~composed of the following members:~~  
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- 580 ~~• President/Superintendent or designee, who serves as the President's Committee Chair~~  
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582 ~~• One (1) Faculty Observer (optional and non-participatory)~~  
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584 ~~• One (1) Compliance Officer~~  
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## 587 **K. PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE DUTIES**

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589 ~~1. All interview questions and their scoring rubrics must be approved by HRS.~~  
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591 ~~2. Develop President's Committee interview questions and scoring rubric~~  
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The President/Superintendent or designee is responsible for developing the interview questions and scoring rubric, designed to distinguish candidates who will best meet the needs of the district.

3. Review finalist applications

The President/Superintendent will be given access to the applications at the same time as the Joint Selection Committee.

4. Interview finalists

The President/Superintendent interviews in person all finalists forwarded by the Selection Committee, using the pre-approved interview questions and rubric.

5. Join the Joint Selection Committee for deliberations

**L J. CONCLUDING THE FULL-TIME FACULTY HIRING PROCESS**

1. Choose candidate for hiring

a. After interviews are completed, members of the Joint Selection Committee meet in person to discuss and evaluate the qualifications of the candidates.

b. The President/Superintendent joins the Joint Selection Committee as a voting member.

c. The Dean remains as the Joint Selection Committee Chair.

d. The Faculty Observer is required to attend deliberations but is not a member and may not participate unless invited to comment on factual observation and process only.

e b. Each voting member gets one vote.

f c. Each finalist is discussed and assessed relevant to the applications, interviews, reference checks, teaching demonstration(s), skills test, performance demonstration, and needs of the discipline/department.

g d. The order of presentation of information and assessments is:

- 1) Reference check reports
- 2) Faculty members' opinions
- 3) Dean's opinion
- 4) Vice President's opinion
- 5) President's opinion

**e.** The voting members of the Joint Selection Committee will work together to build a consensus on selecting the finalist(s) for hire.

**f.** The voting members of the Joint Selection Committee shall, by consensus or by majority vote, select the finalist(s) to whom the tentative offer of employment will be extended and will be recommended to the Governing Board.

**g.** The committee can choose an alternate candidate to hire in the event the selected finalist(s) declines the position.

**h.** If none of the finalists are selected for hire, the Joint Selection Committee will:

1) Review information regarding the finalists and/or the nature of the position;  
and/or

2) Review the interview pool using the rubric established by the Joint Selection Committee to ensure that other potential finalists have not been overlooked;  
and/or

3) Recommend that a new search be initiated.

2. Conclude the committee work

a. The committee works together to fill out the HRS interview report, using specific job-related reasons for why a candidate was not chosen for hiring.

b. All committee members, including the Vice President and the President, submit all their materials to the Joint Selection Committee Chair, who will submit them to HRS. The Compliance Officer has the option of submitting their materials to HRS separately.

c. All emails and other digital documents relating the hiring process must be deleted.

d. The Joint Selection Committee Chair forwards the name(s) of the chosen candidate(s) to HRS.

3. Governing Board Review/Approval

All offers of employment require approval by the Governing Board.

4. Candidate's Notification

The appropriate Dean extends the tentative offer of employment to the selected finalist and coordinates all necessary intake and orientation procedures with HRS.

- 703 684 5. If the selected candidate declines the position or is otherwise unable to be  
704 685 employed in the position, the Joint Selection Committee, including the  
705 686 President/Superintendent, will:
- 706 687 a. Review information regarding the recommended finalists and/or the nature  
707 688 of the position; and/or
  - 708 689 b. Review the interview pool with the rubric established by the Joint  
709 690 Selection Committee to ensure that other potential finalists have not been  
710 691 overlooked; and/or
  - 711 692 c. Recommend that a new search be initiated.
  - 712 693 d. The pool of finalists for any posted position may be utilized for up to 90 days  
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715 696 HRS will present the Joint Committee's final recommendation to the Governing  
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723 **702 PART-TIME FACULTY RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION**

724 The following provisions shall apply to all faculty for part-time positions.

725 **A. Announcement and Recruitment:**

- 726 1. Establishing the Position: Departments shall notify HRS when a position  
727 becomes available via the posting request form.
- 728 2. Advertising the Position: HRS shall advertise all open part-time faculty  
729 positions. The announcement should also provide the college's DEI  
730 commitment statement, details about the student population that  
731 Palomar College serves, and the college's and hiring department's  
732 employee demographics. As well, the announcement shall include a  
733 request for the applicant to describe the extent to which applicants have  
734 and demonstrate a sensitivity to and understanding of the diverse  
735 academic, socioeconomic, cultural, disability, and ethnic backgrounds of  
736 the community college

737 **B. Applications, Screening and Selection:**

- 738 1. All applications packets (including the appropriate application form and  
739 attachments, transcripts, and other documents/forms as required by the  
740 appropriate departments shall be submitted directly to HRS;
- 741 ~~2. HRS shall record all legally required applicant information and remove and/or~~  
742 ~~redact any confidential data;~~
- 743 3. Prior to forwarding applications to the appropriate departments for selection,  
744 HRS shall conduct a preliminary screen to determine completeness of  
745 application and satisfaction of minimum qualifications and/or possible need for  
746 equivalency;
- 747 4. Screening shall include the philosophy and commitment to staff diversity as

outlined in the District's Equal Employment Opportunity Plan and inclusive of racial, ethnic, and cultural diversity and implicit bias and which shall include an evaluation of the extent to which applicants have and demonstrate a sensitivity to and understanding of the diverse academic, socioeconomic, cultural, disability, and ethnic backgrounds of the community college;

5. The Department shall select qualified candidates for interview and conduct all interviews. The Department Chair/Director shall notify the appropriate Dean and Vice President and HRS of his/her their selection of part-time faculty. The approved interview report will be turned into HRS to start the pre-employment process for the selected candidate(s).

- ~~6. HRS shall retain all applications for a minimum of three years.~~

HRS shall retain all applications and recruitment materials on file for four years.



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733 **C. OTHER RESOURCES**  
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735 1. BP/AP 3410 titled Nondiscrimination  
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737 2. BP/AP 3420 titled Equal Employment Opportunity  
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739 3. BP/AP 7211 titled Faculty Service Areas and Competencies  
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741 4. BP/AP 4015 titled Minimum Qualifications and Equivalencies  
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749 in BP/AP 3420 titled Equal Employment Opportunity and the District's EEO Plan.  
  
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# Starfish Update

Presentation to the Faculty Senate

September 27, 2021

By: Cindy Anfinson, Nancy Browne, and Kineta Rios

# Updates on Starfish

- Starfish used to be owned by [Hobsons](#).
- Hobsons sold Starfish earlier this year to [EAB](#).
  - EAB is an "educational solutions company."
  - They have products for data and analytics, undergrad enrollment, student success, adult and graduate enrollment, and strategy and operations.
- Locally, Starfish Early Alert was put on pause in Spring 2021 to reassess how Student Services and Instruction can work together to link each student with the appropriate support when an alert is raised by faculty.
  - Make Early Alert an effective tool.

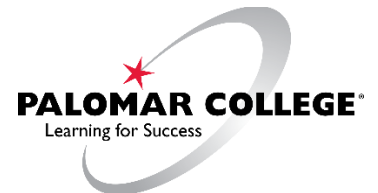
# Re-branding Starfish

- A Palomar College workgroup met Spring 2021 to rebrand Starfish for our campus. The workgroup included 5 faculty members and 2 students.
- Starfish is now called **Comet Connect**.
- Early Alert is now called the **Early Success Initiative**.
- Progress Surveys are now called **Check-Ins**.



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# Early Success Initiative Background

- A workgroup was formed to develop a plan for Early Alert (now Early Success Initiative) in Spring 2021.
  - The workgroup had 4 faculty, one CCE and one AA member.
- We are presenting the plan to constituent groups in Fall 2021.
  - These groups include: Faculty Senate, EESS Council, AB705 Support Subcommittee, Guided Pathways, and Chairs and Directors in Fall 2021.
- The Early Success Initiative will go live in Spring 2022.

# Early Success Initiative Plan Draft

Using Comet Connect, faculty teaching in the 16-week sessions have 3 different “check-ins” available during the term.

1. Student Resource Check-In, Weeks 1-3
2. Academic Check-In, Weeks 4-8
3. Student Kudos Check-In, Weeks 9-12

Note: progress surveys are now called "check-ins"

## What is different about the Early Success Initiative?

To address the concern that Early Alert resulted in “just another email,” these check-ins target student needs during key moments in the semester. We will collect data and review faculty feedback on the 16-week courses, adjust, and consider expanding to other sessions (FT1, FT2, and the 4-week sessions).

# 1. Student Resource Check-in

- During weeks 1-3, faculty can select students who they wish to send information about accessing technology equipment resources, technology help, and textbook resources.
- Flags that can be issued
  - Technology Equipment Resource
  - Technology Help
  - Textbook Resources
- Low touch support: students will receive a message from Comet Connect with information regarding available resources.

## 2. Academic Check-in

- During weeks 4-8, faculty can select students who have not been attending class, are at risk of not completing the course, and/or who need tutoring.
- Flags that can be issued
  - Class Attendance
  - Risk of not completing the course
  - Tutoring recommended
- High-touch support: students will receive a message from Comet Connect with available support services and Counseling Services will contact them to schedule a meeting with a counselor.
- How will we close the loop?
  - Counseling will triage via a phone call.
  - Counseling will schedule a counseling appointment with the student, if needed.
  - Counseling will close the loop on Comet Connect.
  - Once a flag has been resolved, faculty can see it on Comet Connect.



# Closing the Loop: Comet Connect Faculty View

MY STUDENTS

Resolve

Comment

Assign

Success Plan

Send Message

Download

Student

joe student

Go

View

Active and Resolved

Connection

All My Students

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# 3. Student Kudos Check-in

- During weeks 9-12, faculty can select students who have demonstrated hard work and effort, positive changes in academic progress, or who may need an extra nudge to keep pushing towards completion in the course. Students will receive a message from Comet Connect giving them kudos.
- Flags that can be issued
  - Kudo
  - Positive Change
  - You are almost done
- Low touch support: students will receive a kudo message from Comet Connect.

# Expanding to Fast Track Sessions

- The current plan is to test the efficacy of the 3 Check-Ins during the 16-week semester.
- We will refine the process with feedback from faculty and students.
- Then we plan to pilot with a FT (Fast-Track) session in the future.

# Additional Comet Connect Features

- Request Assistance (formerly Raise your Hand)
- Connect for Success (formerly Palomar Pathways Questionnaire)

Comet Connect has other features that are not currently implemented.

# Request Assistance (formerly Raise your Hand)

- This is a feature where students can self-refer to the following services:
  - Career Center
  - General Counseling
  - International Education
  - Palomar Promise
  - Student Life and Leadership
  - Technology Hardware
- In each of these areas, a staff member will answer the request assistance inquiries and connect back to the student.
- This feature is already being successfully used by students!
  - Accessed via Comet Connect through Canvas

# Connect for Success

## (formerly Palomar Pathways Questionnaire)

- This is a webform that students will fill out as part of their onboarding into the College.
- It is a webform backed by a process to connect students to programs that they are eligible for.
- Participating programs include Enrollment Services, Career Center, DRC, EOPS, ESL, Financial Aid, Puente, STEM Programs, TRIO-NCEOC, TRIO-SSS, Student Life and Leadership, and Umoja.
- Made available to students on October 1, 2021 via Comet Connect on Canvas

# Next Steps / Questions

- Launch Comet Connect campaign
- Campus presentations
- Feedback on the [Early Success Initiative Plan Draft, student message templates and faculty message templates](#) via Microsoft Sharepoint/Teams
- Early Success Initiative trainings will be scheduled in early Spring 2022

**BP 7250 EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATORS****References:**

Education Code Sections 72411 et seq., 87002(b), 87356, and 87457-87460;  
 Government Code Sections 3300-3313 (Peace Officers' Bill of Rights) and  
 3540.1(g) and (m)

~~Educational administrator means an administrator employed in an academic position designated by the Governing Board of the District as having direct responsibility for supervising the operation of or formulating policy regarding the instructional or student services programs of the District. Educational administrators include, but are not limited to, the superintendent/president and other supervisory or management employees designated by the Governing Board as educational administrators.~~

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Educational administrators are those who exercise direct responsibility for supervising the operation of or formulating policy regarding the instructional or student services programs of the District.

An educational administrator who has not previously acquired tenure as a faculty member in the District shall have the right to become a first-year probationary faculty member once their administrative assignment expires or is terminated, if the following criteria are met:

- The administrator meets the criteria established by the District for minimum qualifications for a faculty position, in accordance with procedures developing jointly by the Superintendent/President and the Faculty Senate and approved by the Board. The Board shall rely primarily on the advice and judgment of the Faculty Senate to determine that an administrator possesses minimum qualifications for employment as a faculty member.
- The requirements of Education Code Section 87458 subdivisions (c) and (d), or any successor statute, are met with respect to prior satisfactory service and reason for termination of the administrative assignment.
- The District has a vacancy for which the administrator meets minimum qualifications. A vacancy means that a position available within the District and the District has appropriately allocated, budgeted, and prioritized in accordance with District practice.

CCLC suggested language Internal suggested changes in aqua

**Date Adopted: 4/14/09; Revised: 12/10/13: Revised:**

*Replaces all previous versions of BP 7250*



Educational administrators shall be compensated in the manner provided for by the appointment or contract of employment. Compensation shall be set by the Board upon recommendation by the Superintendent/President. Educational Administrators shall further be entitled to health and welfare benefits made available by action of the Board upon recommendation by the Superintendent/President.

Educational administrators shall be entitled to vacation leave, sick leave, and other leaves as provided by law, these policies, and administrative procedures adopted by the Superintendent/President.

Every educational administrator shall be employed by an appointment or contract.

The Board may, with the consent of the administrator concerned, terminate, effective on the next succeeding first day of July, the terms of employment and any contract of employment with the administrator, and reemploy the administrator on any terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon by the Board and the administrator, for a new term to commence on the effective date of the termination of the existing term of employment.

If the Board determines that the administrator is not to be reemployed when their appointment or contract expires, notice to an administrator shall be in accordance with the terms of the existing contract. If the contract is silent, notice shall be in accordance with Education Code Section 72411.

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Every educational administrator shall be employed by an appointment or contract of up to four years in duration.

The Governing Board may, with the consent of the administrator concerned, terminate, effective on the next succeeding first day of July, the term of employment and any contract of employment with the administrator, and reemploy the administrator on any terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon by the Governing Board and the administrator, for a new term to commence on the effective date of the termination of the existing term of employment.

If the Governing Board determines that the administrator is not to be reemployed when his/her appointment or contract expires, notice to an administrator shall be in accordance with the terms of the existing contract. If the contract is silent, notice shall be in accordance with Education Code Section 72411.

An educational administrator, hired after June 30, 1990, who has not previously acquired tenure as a faculty member in the District shall have the right to become a first year probationary faculty member once his/her administrative assignment expires or is terminated, if the following criteria are met:

- The administrator meets the criteria established by the District for minimum qualifications for a faculty position, in accordance with procedures developed jointly by the Superintendent/President and the Faculty Senate and approved by the Governing Board. The Board shall rely primarily on the advice and judgment of the Faculty Senate to determine that an administrator possesses minimum qualifications for employment as a faculty member.

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**Date Approved: SPC 12/3/2013**

*(Replaces current Palomar Policies 27 and 154.1 and Procedure 154.1)*

- The requirements of Education Code Section 87458(c) and (d), or any successor statute, are met with respect to prior satisfactory service and reason for termination of the administrative assignment.
- The administrator was not hired prior to July 1, 1990 and/or is not part of the classified service.\

Educational Administrators who were hired prior to July 1, 1990 and were tenured faculty have full retreat right to full-time faculty in their prior discipline.

Refer to the current Administrative Association Handbook for details regarding retreat rights.

Also see BP/AP 7211 titled Faculty Service Areas, Minimum Qualifications, and Equivalencies

Office of Primary Responsibility: Human Resource Services

# Faculty Senate Discussion on Enrollment Challenges

## BACKGROUND

For many years, faculty have been recognizing and identifying problems with Palomar systems and practices that negatively impact student experiences and enrollment. After years of conversation, the District paid a consultant (Strata) in 2018 to lead a representative group of Palomar employees in identifying issues. This workgroup developed an [action plan](#) to address issues with the enrollment system. The Office of Admissions was tasked by the VPSS to implement the Strata suggestions, but it is not clear whether all or any of the action plan has been addressed to date.

Due partially to significant declines in enrollment since Summer 2020, the Faculty Senate facilitated a renewed discussion around challenges and barriers that impact enrollment negatively at the 9.20.21 meeting. The agenda was circulated the week before, and faculty were specifically notified of this agenda item via email. Faculty who were unable to attend were encouraged to send in their comments via email.

At the meeting, robust conversation occurred. Detailed notes were taken, and all comments that were emailed in were added. The [full document](#) containing all comments (many of them duplicative) is being kept updated as emails are received.

The concerns fell into 10 general categories, which are organized in the document in order of frequency of comment: Enrollment/Registration System & Process, Online Schedule, Communication, Scheduling & Cuts, Waitlist System/Permission Roster, Dual Enrollment/K-12 Students, Advertising, ESL Students, Online Learning, and General Comments. Highlights/summary for the most frequently commented on areas are presented below, with links to the full list of comments for each category.

### [Enrollment/Registration System & Process](#)

Commenters unanimously agreed that the current application and enrollment/registration system is broken and presents numerous unnecessary barriers and frustration for prospective and current students.

### [Online Schedule](#)

There were numerous concerns related to the default settings on the online schedule, the inability for students to easily see full classes, and the difficulty of navigating the schedule within eServices.

## Communication

Multiple examples were provided of how systems at Palomar often do not easily communicate internally, leading to frustration and shutdown of solutions. Additionally, many concerns were shared related to the lack of ability to easily communicate with students (especially before the semester starts).

## Scheduling & Cuts

Faculty who shared were universally distraught over the decision making process used to make cuts and class cancellations, expressing the very real negative repercussions on enrollment caused over the past several years by the way class cuts have been handled.

## Waitlist System/Permission Roster

Faculty shared multiple examples of how the new permission roster/waitlist system causes barriers to enrollment.

## Dual Enrollment/K-12 Students

Firsthand examples of the difficulty in enrolling K-12 students for classes were shared, with many commenters recognizing the potential market of prospective students that are being lost.

## SUMMARY

It is the Faculty Senate's desire that the [full list](#) of comments and concerns be read. While sometimes duplicative, the repeated comments in numerous areas highlight the widespread concern of faculty over enrollment barriers. These concerns are not all new, many have been being brought up for years. Firsthand examples and real-life impacts are shared, making these concerns more poignant, as they all represent real students who had negative experiences. The Faculty Senate would like to be involved in problem-solving and creating solutions for our students to help protect the opportunities that Palomar can offer to our students. [Suggestions and ideas](#) that were shared at the 9.20.21 meeting and via email are also included in the full document linked above.