# THE FACULTY GOVERNANCE SPECTATOR

## Resolutions Spring 2019

The Senate took a position on the Tenets of Shared Governance created by the ASCSU and the Chancellor's office, the President's Leadership Climate Commitment, the CSU Electronic Core Collection Funding, the creation of an Ombuds office at SSU and the Statewide General Education Task Force Report.

## **Service Ops in FG**

The Library is unable to fill all their seats on faculty governance committees. Those seats have been declared at-large for 19-20. Stepping in for a year on a faculty governance committee is a great way to meet faculty from other schools, get your feet wet in governance and learn a lot!

At-Large seats are available on:

Senate Diversity
Academic Freedom
Scholarship
Structure and Functions
Dispute Resolution Board

Contact <u>Melinda Milligan</u> for more information

## **New GE Program**

After a year and a half of work by GERS, five readings in EPC and three readings at the Senate, our new GE program was approved by the Senate on May 16, 2019. A timeline has been established for department review of GE courses which is available at <a href="https://ge.sonoma.edu/revision-implementation/implementation-teachout-plan">https://ge.sonoma.edu/revision-implementation/implementation-teachout-plan</a>.

#### 4 Ways to be Involved in the new GE roll out!

1. **Information Sessions**. Attend any or all of a series!

Series 1: Wednesdays in September 12-1:30 PM, Art 108

Overview of GE (Sep 4)
Approval and Curriculog (Sep 11)
Advising (Sep 18)
Assessment (Sep 25)

Series 2: Mondays in October 5-6 PM, Darwin 29

Overview of GE (Oct 7)
Approval and Curriculog (Oct 14)
Advising (Oct 21)
Assessment (Oct 28)

- 2. **Content Criteria Development Forums.** Provide feedback on draft language for GE area content criteria.
- •B1, B2, B3: Friday, Aug 30, 12-1 PM, Schulz 3001
- •A3: Friday, Sep 13, 12-1 PM, Stevenson 3036
- •C1, C2, Upper Div C: Friday, Oct 11, 12-1 PM, Stevenson 3036

See below for Qualtrics surveys.

3. **Workshops on Signature Assignments**: Collaboratively develop a prototype for this GE-required component.

Thursday, Sep 19, 10 -11:30 AM, Stevenson 2083

Monday, Oct 14, 1-2:30 PM, Salazar 2023

## **EPC Deadlines**

New/ Revised Courses (SEIE) for Winter 2019: Must be received by the EPC chair by Sept 9, 2019.

**New/ Revised Courses** (Stateside) for Spring 2019: Must be ready for EPC by **Sept** 24, 2019.

New/ Revised Courses (SEIE) for Summer 2019:

Must be received by the EPC chair by TBD. New/ Revised Courses (Stateside) for Fall 2019: Must be received by the EPC chair by **Feb 25, 2020.** 

The complete document about EPC Deadlines is at: http:// senate.sonoma.edu/

\*\*\*\*\*

### **Higher Ed Rewired**

Do you enjoy podcasts? Check out the new CSU podcasts:

https://www2.calstate.edu/ higher-ed-rewired

\*\*\*\*\*

#### **Senate Twitter Feed**

Do you know you can see the Senate Twitter feed on our home page? senate.sonoma.edu.

Friday, Nov 15, 10—11:30 AM, Salazar 2023 or

Wednesday, Dec 11, 1—2:30 PM, Salazar 2023

4. **Rubric Development**. Create a way to assess GE Learning Outcomes in this two-day working group

Fridays, Nov 1 and Nov 8, 10-12pm, Stevenson 3036

## Convocation



Convocation was held in August 19th at Person Theater. The President announced a reformulation of the President's Diversity Advisory Committee,

the Provost introduced

the new faculty. Our Excellence in Scholarship recipient told us how much she likes mud and discussed her research into the natural history of a place through looking at mud. We learned how Excellence in Teaching Award recipient Jeffrey Baldwin uses active learning to engage his large classes. We heard from the Associated Students President, the VP of the Staff Council, and CFA. Chair Watt reminded us of the power of networks and imagined creative ways to utilize such networks to benefit our students.

## Course Criteria

The GE Subcommittee welcomes your participation in the crafting of course content criteria. In keeping with the implementation schedule for 2019-2020, we are currently looking for feedback on Physical Science (B1), Life Science (B2) and Laboratory (B3) criteria.

Faculty are welcome to review and comment on drafted criteria through the Qualtrics Surveys below:

- •Physical Sciences (B<sub>I</sub>)
- •Life Sciences (B<sub>2</sub>)
- •Laboratory (B<sub>3</sub>)