Meeting Minutes
MERRITT COLLEGE COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Date: 3/2/2020   Time: 1:30 pm   Location: R 112A

Attendees: Allen, Khoo, de Vito, Perez, Scurry, Ciddio, Alturk

Allotted Time	Topic	Person(s) Responsible
1:30-1:45	Computer Science *An AS in Computer Science is available with the following five concentration options:* *Cybersecurity - Secure Software Development* *Cybersecurity - DevOps (Dev/Sec/Ops)* *Blockchain Services and Mobile Applications* *DevOps - Software Engineering Automation and Continuous Integration* *High Performance Computing, Data Science, and Artificial Intelligence* *Please see the catalog supplement for recommended course sequencing. The AS in CS is internationally recognized. Therefore Oakland Promise Students can graduate debt free and work anywhere in the world.* *Math and physics are required. There are embedded tutors in the math classes.* *Embedding the STEM core classes into high school curriculum is being discussed.* *An entry level software developer starts at $80K. If you add on cybersecurity it's $120K. The average with a Bachelor's degree is $160K.* *The state recognizes this as a high unit major.* *Lawrence Livermore Labs has internships.* *CIS 5 is recommended before CIS 7.*	Courtney Brown

	In most districts, Computer Science and CIS are two different departments. CIS is linked to devices. Compsci is programming. *Here are some questions we can ask students to see if they are ready for CIS 7: Have you ever written a program on your computer? Have you ever scripted actions in a computer game such as War of The Worlds?* *Courtney's blog site is* http://edu.merritt.cc *Coutney is getting some computers donated for a limited number of students to bridge the equity gap.* ***Merritt College Mobile Game Programming Sequence** classes are CIS 7, 33 and 93. If students want to become a game programmer, they can take additional classes at Laney and BCC. Courtney will send an email with this information.*	
1:45-2:00	Standing Items: 1. Reports from programs: Puente, Sankofa, FYE, Veterans, SAS, EOPS, Transfer Center, Centro Latino, etc. ***Transfer**: Transfer Day is 10/15/2020* *4/4 is admitted students day at UCD* *4/18 is admitted students day at UCB* *In 2019, 42 Merritt students were admitted to UC. The highest increase was with UCD. In 2018, 30 Merritt students were admitted to the UC system (according to the way they count Merritt students).* ***Veterans**: R108 has been identified as the Veterans Resource Center. It needs to be ADA compliant. A work order has been requested.* **SAS:** *April 29 will be the date of the high school outreach event. Students will have a tour and orientation.*	All

2:10-2:15	2. Committee Reports None 3. SLOAC Counseling Surveys (have 26 need 74 more)	
2:15	Announcements	All