



Merritt College Counseling Department

Counselor Meeting Minutes
April 27, 2015

Meeting convened at 1:30 p.m. In attendance: McLean, Allen, Pantell, Ilarde, Perez, Scurry, Zielke, Khoo, Ciddio. Guests: President Ambriz-Galaviz; Laura Macchia Amescua, UCLA; Dr. Tina Vasconcellos, Division I Dean

1. **President's Update:** President Ambriz-Galaviz held impromptu meeting to discuss completion of 2014-2015 3SP report. Will be in touch w/ Scurry as point person (and interim VPSS Chavez) to get data for completion. Also need to document activities (such as recent high school counselor breakfast). Possible 12 Month contract for McLean to coordinate 3SP activities over summer.
2. **UCLA Transfer Information:** Amescua gave information about transfer process, minimum eligibility for different majors, and campus resources:
 - F15 notices of admission went out 4/17; had 20K applications & admitted 3,100
 - BUS ECON most requested major (though stress to students not a traditional Bus Admin major, more of an economics theory major)
 - most majors highly competitive—average GPA of applicants >3.7
 - some majors more accessible, though—see campus brochure; possible admit w/ 3.0 or 3.1
 - major prep trumps all—even GPA; expect student to complete major prep even if have to go to another local CCC to get courses not offered here (unless geographic hardship)
 - don't favor S. California over N. California—all applicants given equal preference
 - designation of "transfer school" is the last school the student reports attending on app
 - contact information for follow-up: (310-206-7142; lmacchia@saonet.ucla.edu)
3. **New Student 3SP Process for M15 & F15:** Vasconcellos led discussion about 3SP process (i.e. use of COUN 501 vs. 200A or 201). Scurry will continue conversations w/ Dean and keep counselors informed. Need to make sure we get credit for enrollment.
4. **Other:**
 - 14-15 Evaluation update completed; Pantell will report to Evaluation Coordinator
 - Hourly counselor training schedule completed for new hourly counselor starting M15
 - Zielke led discussion about instructor for COUN 207C in M15. No full-timers interested and will make recommendation to Dean Vasconcellos once enrollment process clarified with high school.

Meeting adjourned at 3:02 p.m.