

Meeting Minutes
MERRITT COLLEGE COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Date: 09/30/2019	Time: 1:30 pm	Location: R 112A
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Attendees: Allen, Pantell, Moy, Scurry, de Vito, Ross, Zielke, Perez, Ciddio, Salceda, Khoo

Allotted Time	Topic	Person(s) Responsible
1:30-1:45	<p>Bioscience</p> <p><i>Feather updated us on both the Histotechnician and Microscopy programs. Optical Microscopy is a 12 unit certificate with no prerequisites and both 6 unit classes that make up the certificate (Biosci 101 and 102) are needed for the Histotechnician Certificate as well. Two additional classes are needed for the advanced certificate Fluorescence Bioscience Microscopy and Biosci 102 is a prerequisite for them. Students in the microscopy program learn how to take cells and tissues and stain them so that a pathologist can review them under a microscope. The students learn how to use research-level optical microscopes and operate software programs. Starting pay is \$18-\$20 an hour with the Optical Microscopy Certificate and \$25-\$30/hour for Fluorescence Bioscience Microscopy.</i></p> <p><i>Histotechnicians cut and slice tissue, put it on a slide and stain it. They can identify organs just by looking at a thin slice of tissue. The starting pay is about \$35/hour and the projected job growth is 16%. The prerequisites are similar to Nursing so students who are not interested in working directly with patients may want to consider this field. Their salary could be comparable to that of a Nurse depending on the employer, education, and experience. Histotechnicians can make up to \$80-\$120/year.</i></p>	Feather Ives
1:45-2:30	<p>Roadtrip Nation</p> <p><i>Roadtrip Nation is a career tool that provides a quick career assessment with corresponding informational videos. From the Merritt home page, you will see the green Roadtrip Nation bus and can click on that and create an account. Counselors can get students started on a quick assessment tool that captures their interests and see snapshots or longer videos of professionals who are</i></p>	Pantell

	<p><i>working in the field. The Roadmap Tool will also show students what majors are correlated with their career interests. There will also be activities that students can do to prepare for the career. Without logging into the Merritt specific site, you can also explore themes that interest you such as struggle, hard work, talent, beliefs, etc.</i></p> <p><i>The actual Roadtrip Nation bus is coming to Merritt 10/17 and will recruit students to participate in a roadtrip to speak with people in different career fields.</i></p>	
2:30-2:40	<p>Adjunct Evals Needed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Macias -Waters (student evals completed) -Alturk -Murillo -Trinidad -Beall -McLean -Mathis-Payne -Smith -Nelson <p>Tenured Evals Needed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Allen -Pantell -Zielke <p><i>All evaluatees have been assigned an evaluator.</i></p> <p><i>Evaluators: please contact evaluatees soon to have the preliminary meeting.</i></p>	Scurry/Perez
2:40-2:45	<p>Standing Items:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reports from programs: Puente, Sankofa, FYE, Veterans, SAS, EOPS, Transfer Center, Centro Latino, etc. <p><i>No updates submitted</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Committee Reports 3. SLOAC 	All
2:45	<p>Announcements</p> <p><i>UCSB will be at Merritt on Oct. 2nd.</i></p>	All

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<p><i>10/18 is the last day to petition for graduation. There is an art exhibit in the S building Room 352. It will be open by appointment only. Contact Sheila Metcalf- Tobin.</i></p>	
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