



## Merritt College Counseling Department

Counselor Meeting Minutes  
November 26, 2007

Meeting convened at 1:00 p.m. In attendance: Zielke, Ilarde, Pantell, Scurry, Coplan, De Coursey, Cannady, Ciddio, Allen, McLean. Guests: Chapman University

1. **Chapman University** Representatives presented on structure, fees, degrees, and transfer requirements. Programs set for adult learners—no freshman students straight from high school. Five 9-week terms each academic year. Classes meet one night per week, usually 4.5 hours per class. Class size small—nothing over 24 & most between 15-20. Campuses throughout state—closest one to Merritt is Walnut Creek. Can be concurrently enrolled in any community college. Will accept all 60 units of any Associate Degree (but must still complete 36 units at Chapman & must have 36 upper division units). Full-time load is 2 classes. Strong teacher prep program—#2 producer of credentialed teachers in state. Tuition is \$375/unit for onsite classes, \$425 for online classes. Encourage interested students to attend information sessions every other week, usually Wednesday evenings. See web site for contact information.
2. **Transfer Center Report** Ilarde noted deadline this Friday for UC applications—will be doing only drop-ins until then. Encourage students to be as prepared for drop-ins as possible to make best use of time.
3. **New Business**
  - Zielke reported that Puente Program is visiting UC Santa Cruz Friday, 12/14/07. Any student interested may join (no requirement to be part of Puente Program). Room for at least 20 add'l students, perhaps more. Bus leaves Merritt 8 a.m. and will spend most of the day at UCSC. No cost to students (but suggest bringing food or money for food).
  - McLean encouraged counseling faculty to continue informing appropriate students about COUN 200A-B during January Intersession (1/8, 9, & 10/08). Track students who are enrolling (especially those on dismissal status who are required to enroll as part of re-admission) and inform McLean or Allen (who are teaching each section).

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.