

4/7/25: Counseling Meeting Notes

Attendees: Ross, Alturk, Allen, Scurry, Perez, Castro, Towle, Castaneda and Moy

Check In: Name 1 fun thing you did during spring break.

Counseling Updates/Accreditation

For the 25-26 academic year, Sara, Rosa, and Edwin are running as Tri-Chairs. Nominations start today, but the form through CDCPD is not ready. Will send once it is finalized by them.

Dean Khoo informed us GC will be getting the 11-month contract (full 18 days) and more information will be provided soon.

Saint Mary's has a Nursing Program for transfer students. Co-chairs reached out last week to invite them to a meeting and did not hear back. Information can be found here: <https://www.stmarys-ca.edu/academics/science/nursing/how-apply>
https://www.stmarys-ca.edu/sites/default/files/2025-02/_WORKING%20DRAFT%20NURSING%20CURRICULUM%20%282.19.25%29.pdf

Summer evaluation period is from June 2, 2025 to June 30, 2025. Spring petitions are closed, please do not send early petitions to A&R. Co-Chairs emailed Dr. V to ask about Academic Advisement training- for now, please follow the current process.

Please refer to the Co-Chairs email about curriculum changes and updates.

Guest Speaker: Bianca Parazo- Director for Street Scholars and COSER Chair

Works with justice impacted and social justice students

Thursday April 17 6pm-8:50pm- will be with Berkeley underground scholars for film screening in Huey Newton Lounge

Tuesday April 22 6pm-850pm- Narcan and Overdose Prevention training - free for everyone

May 8th- Alameda County Behavioral Health will be hosting a reentry conference from 9am-5pm. Flyer will be finalized soon with more information

May 9th 11am-2pm- University Day with Berkeley Underground Scholars. Please contact Bianca by May 2.

Underground Scholars- Ambassador Program- Cohort of students that goes over advocacy, speaking, paid opportunity - will be good for students wanting to go to UCB

Use this website for students to schedule an appointment:

<http://tinyurl.com/streetscholar>

Helps students with resumes, soft skills

Program & Committee Updates

Mira Costa College offers a free TEAS for any student:

<https://miracosta.edu/student-services/tlc/teas-prep.html>

Rose will send another school link for more services.

Student Apps- free calm (similar) app and reading coach (audio text) for students wanting to change the pace, font, parts of speech. This is in their student portal.

Kaiser offers Calm app for free for employees

Transfer Conference Tips

- use academic renewal if you took another course at another community college

- STEM students, update resume right away as networking happens

- Do research and refresh skills

- Nursing- do background checks and do have vaccine requirements. Students should be informed.

- Take highly recommended classes on assist, if not, write that in your UC app on why you did not take it

- Sara took additional notes- see attached

Hiring LD Specialist, starting in August. Unsure if testing will happen right away. COA and BCC currently have a specialist, so students can be referred there for now for testing.