



Merritt College Counseling Department

Counselor Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2005

Meeting convened at 1:30 p.m. In attendance: Zielke, Shriver, Blackwell, Scurry, Pantell, Crutchfield, Cannady, MacEwan (intern).

1. **Learning Outcomes** Shriver led continuation of development of Counseling Department mission statement and learning outcomes. Drafts to be taken to Student Services meeting tomorrow.
2. **Student-Athletes** Shriver presented on issues related to student-athletes. Covered following points:
 - If student doesn't plan to participate in sport for a semester, encourage them to take < 12 units. This preserves their full eligibility once they transfer to a 4-year school. If they do take 12 units, they start the clock that requires them to complete their degree in 5 years (5 to complete 4).
 - If student participates in sport, must take 12 units for full semester. Can't drop <12 for even one day or may become ineligible and forfeit sports they participated in.
 - 12 units must be "academic". No activity courses. P.E. courses that have theory are considered academic. Dance or performance courses listed in P.E. dept. are activity.
 - Need 24 units each academic year to be eligible for next year (counting spring & fall semesters). Can make up deficiencies w/ summer courses but can't take > 8 units in a summer.
 - In 5-year sequence, must have 40% completed by end of 3rd year, 60 % completed by end of 4th year, and 80% completed by end of 5th year.
3. **Articulation Report** Pantell distributed handouts from Ensuring Transfer Success. Also reported on admission requirements for UOP Dental School.
4. **Transfer Center Report** Blackwell announced Career, Health, & College Fair in the gym on 4/13/05 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Also announced Transfer Student Panel 4/20/05 from Noon to 2:00 p.m. in Student Lounge. MacEwan reported that posting on ASSIST for Peace & Conflict Studies at UC Berkeley lists requirements for 05-06 separately from 06-07. Don't have to complete both of them combined.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.