

**Including Student Learning Outcomes as Part of Course Syllabi
Resolution 2016 – 09**

Whereas, the Academic Senate is the organization whose primary function is to make recommendations with respect to academic and professional matters (Title 5, 53200), and is primarily relied upon for curriculum, degree and certificate requirements, education program development, and policies related to grading, student preparation and success (Board Policy 3255); and,

Whereas, the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC), Mt. SAC's accrediting body for the foreseeable future, states in accreditation standard II.A.3: "The institution has officially approved current course outlines that include student learning outcomes. In every class section, students receive a course syllabus that includes learning outcomes from the institution's officially approved course outline"; and

Whereas, the Mt. San Antonio College Academic Senate has previously tacitly supported the inclusion of SLOs in the syllabus task force recommendations (approved March 20, 2014), stating, "Our task force recommends the attached syllabus guidelines in order to...meet the accreditation requirement that SLOs be publicly accessible" and in the Outcomes Plan update (approved May 22, 2014), stating, "faculty are to publish their SLOs on course syllabi or provide a link that directs students to this information"; and,

Whereas, receiving full accreditation status is a desired outcome for this accreditation cycle, and providing students with accurate information about the expected learning outcomes of instruction is a foundation of effective teaching and learning;

Resolved, the Academic Senate reaffirms its position that current and accurate student learning outcomes or a direct link to the course-specific SLOs on the College's SLO website should appear on all syllabi distributed to students in classes conducted by Mt. San Antonio College; and

Resolved, the Academic Senate supports efforts by the Outcomes Committee, Accreditation Steering Committee, Curriculum Liaison, and other responsible persons at the College to ensure that the College complies with ACCJC Standard II.A.3.

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