

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-03**

**OPPOSING THE CCCCO PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES FOR EOPS PROGRAMS**

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 and instruction development, grading policies, education program development, student preparation and success, degree and certificate requirements, and policies regarding faculty professional development, and shall reach mutual agreement on college governance structures, faculty roles and involvement in the accreditation process, processes for program review, and processes for institutional planning and budget development; and

Whereas, EOPS was established in 1969 by the California State Legislature to enable students affected by language, social, and economic hardships to achieve their educational objectives and goals and has served over 2.5 million students from underserved and underrepresented populations with documented success, and

Whereas, the Mt. San Antonio College EOPS program annually serves approximately 1400 students who have a successful course pass rate of 75% and a persistence rate of 87%, both of which exceed those of the overall student population at the College, and

Whereas, the California Community College Chancellor's Office (CCCO) has proposed changes to the Implementing Guidelines for EOPS which, if instituted, contradicts existing Title 5 Regulations, and absent any allowance for faculty to respond and to make suggestions to the Implementing Guidelines, and

Resolved, the Academic Senate, opposes the proposed changes to the Implementing Guidelines for EOPS Programs statewide as currently written, and

Resolved, the Academic Senate strongly encourages the CCCCO to work directly with EOPS and Student Services leadership and faculty, including the EOPS Director and the Dean of Student Services of the Mt. San Antonio Community College District, to address particular concerns related to the operation and administration of EOPS programs, and to address concerns related to the proposed changes to the Implementing Guidelines, and

Resolved, the Academic Senate strongly encourages members of the California State Legislature to support EOPS programs statewide by opposing changes to the Implementing Guidelines for EOPS.

Submitted by:  
The Academic Senate Executive Board

Approved: May 16, 2019