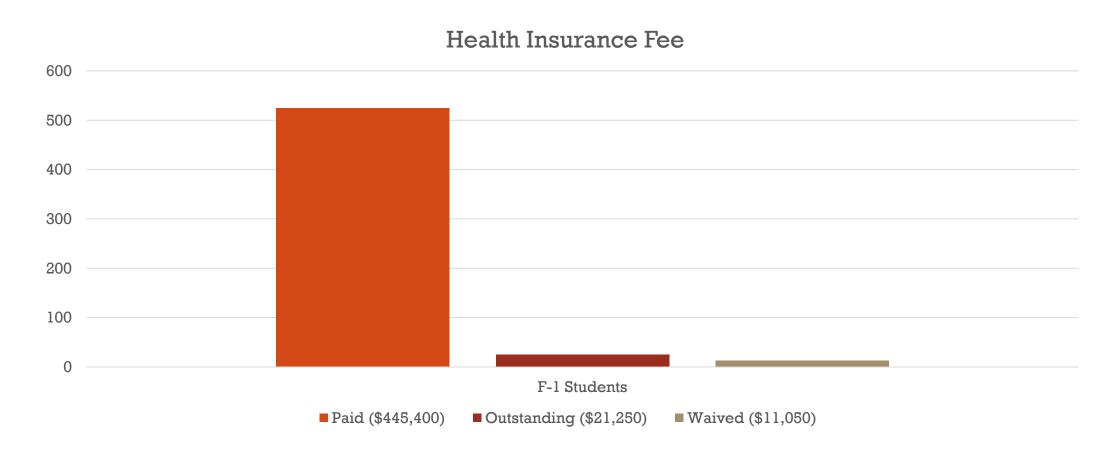
# F-1 STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

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# HEALTH INSURANCE UPDATE





#### SUMMER INSTITUTE UPDATE

#### About

Prepared F-1 students to succeed academically, socially, and personally while studying at Mt. SAC. F-1 students enhanced their English language skills. Developed communication & leadership skills. Prepared to succeed in the classroom. Participated in community explorations. Met Global Leaders, Faculty & current students. This was also an opportunity for current Mt. SAC students to assume leadership roles through our Global Leader program.

- <u>Dates</u>
   July 24 August 9, 2017
- Applications Received
   49
- Total Number of Participants
   37

## SUMMER INSTITUTE

#### INTERNAL - PROGRAMMATIC

Develop and implement a summer institute for first time international students to ease their transition to the U.S. and to the U.S. higher education system. English language development will also be included.



## SUMMER INSTITUTE UPDATE

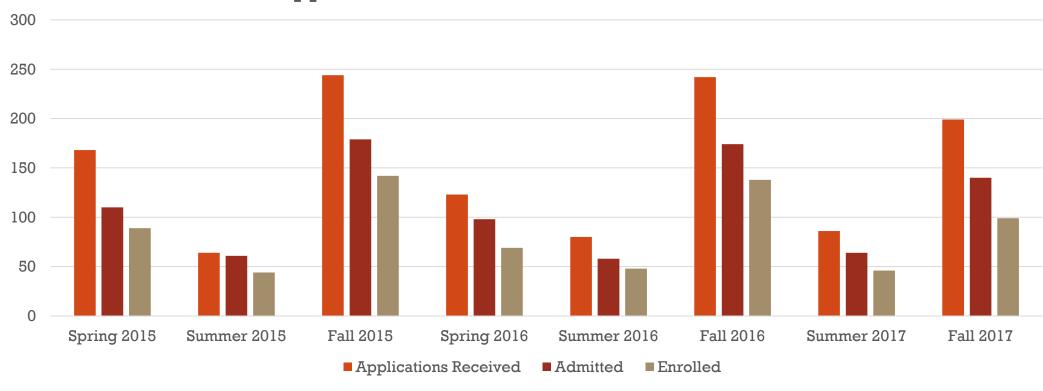
#### **Quotes From Student Participants**

- "Summer Institute helps both existing and new international students to make new friends, understand about American-style academic structure, and have a wonderful experience in field trips. These values would help students adjust to new environment, enrich their personal insight, and eventually achieve success in their academic and life goals." -Kee Heon Lee, S. Korea
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- "I have learned a lot through Summer Institute in such a short time. Due to my past work, I was used to helping and talking with students. I thought my skill set was enough. However, when it came to being with students all day, I didn't know how to interact with them. 1) I learned to be friends with the students while being professional also. 2) I learned how to plan out a whole day, keep track of time, and also keep the students engaged. 3) I enhanced my communication skills. 4) While the students were benefited from the workshops, I did as well. Overall, I have learned a lot in a short period of time." **Khoa Trong, Viet Nam**



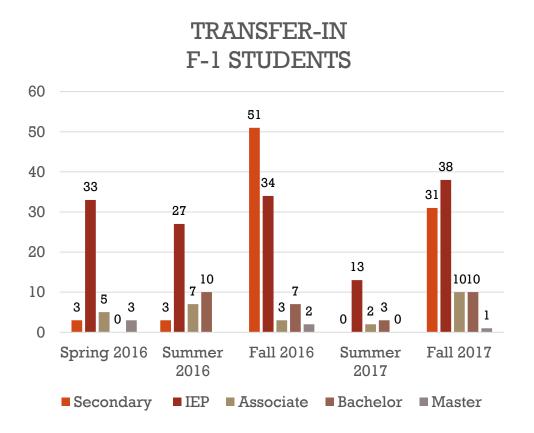
## ENROLLMENT UPDATE

#### Applications Received, Admitted, & Enrolled





# ENROLLWENT UPDATE



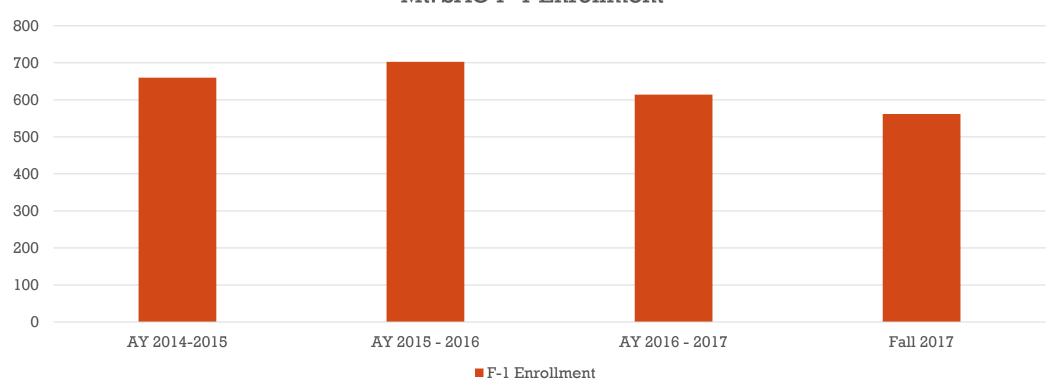
#### IEP REPORT – ICEF MONITOR

- The latest survey of Intensive English Programs in the US finds that student numbers declined 19% in 2016.
- Even as it assumed the top spot among leading sending markets, enrolment from China fell off by 16% in 2016.
- Language program providers in the US also cite the current political and policy environment in the country, as well as increasing competition and currency exchange fluctuations, as some of the key reasons behind the downward trend.



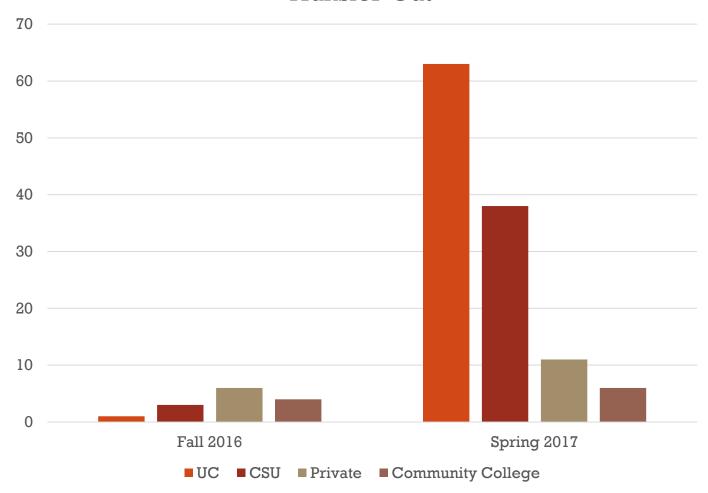
# ENROLLWENT UPDATE

Mt. SAC F-1 Enrollment





#### Transfer-Out



# AY 2016-17 TOP PROGRAMS STUDENTS TRANSFERRED TO

25 - Cal Poly Pomona

15 - UCLA

15 - UC Irvine

8 – UC San Diego

7 - UC Santa Barbara

7 - UC Riverside

6 - UC Berkeley

4 - UC Davis

4 - CSU Fullerton



#### **ONGOING ACTIVITIES UPDATE**

#### Global Café

A coffee house with an international flare occurring **every 2nd Thursday of the month**, in the International Student Center. Providing students the opportunity to have engaging conversations with others various campus departments.

#### **Brown Bag Workshops**

The International Student Center hosts Brown Bag Workshops every Tuesday from 12:00pm - 1:00pm.

- Transition to the U.S.
- English Development
- Leadership Development
- Diversity Global Consciousness
- Professional Development

#### **Library Assistant**

Students can meet with our in house librarian to obtain help with their research paper. Develop research topics. Get help with citing in MLA & APA styles. And learn cool tips & techniques for searching.

#### **Conversation Circles**

Conversation Circles provide a safe place for F-1 students to use English in a variety of situations to discuss a range of topics formally and informally.

#### **Explorer Series**

Students can discover all that Southern California has to offer. Students will explore the many mountains, museums, sporting events, and unique communities that make up SoCal.

#### **Campus Events**

Our campus events are designed to enhance your student experience. The International Student Center provides opportunities for international students to get involved on campus.

#### **Global Pals**

Mt. SAC students have the unique opportunity to engage in a cross-cultural experience, by pairing domestic and international students together with similar interests. Global Pals learn about each other's culture, while participating in social happenings throughout Southern California.

## ONGOING ACTIVITIES

#### INTERNAL PROGRAMMATIC

Develop and maintain an ongoing schedule of activities in which students can participate, meet each other, learn new things, experience culture and the local area.



#### MENTORING BUDDY SYSTEM UPDATE

#### **Developed Global Leader Program**

Four F-1 students took on the role of Global Leaders. Global Leaders facilitated team activities each day, led morning and afternoon meetings, engaged with our speakers and faculty, and ensured that the daily agenda ran smoothly.

#### **Continued Student Support for Summer Institute Participants**

Dedicated F-1 student staff (former Global Leader) to remain in contact with past participants and to keep them involved with the many programs sponsored by the International Education Center, and campus.

Developing a Winter Re-Connect program in an effort to re-engage past Summer Institute participants and assess how SI impacted their FYE here is Mt. SAC

#### **Leadership Training Programs**

In June - Global Leaders and Front Desk Staff participated in a one day program at Cal Poly Pomona focusing on various aspects of self-efficacy, cross-cultural communication, team building, and programming development.

#### **Future Planning**

Current Front desk students will participate in a winter meeting and team building activity, revisiting skills learned from early in the year, and building upon success from Fall 2017

Global Leaders hired to participate in Summer Institute 2018 will participate in a one day team building retreat at Cal Poly Pomona and three additional days of training at Mt. SAC in preparation for Summer Institute.

Front Desk Office Staff will participate in a 2 day overnight team building retreat, location to be determined, the week prior to school beginning.

#### Global Pals

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## MENTORING BUDDY SYSTEM

#### INTERNAL STRUCTURAL

Develop more personalized and individualized contact between students



#### WEBSITE UPDATE

In cooperation with Matt Bidart, a comprehensive website for the International Student Center has been developed.

Main F-1 student landing page has been completely redesigned, and content updated. The page is still undergoing restructuring. Working to add blogging site, You Tube channel, and updated social media sites such as We Chat, and Lime to the main page

Online applications have been created for programs such as Summer Institute, and Global Pals.

Continuing to collaborate with the Assistant Director of Admissions to enhance the admissions information found on the F-1 student landing page

Continuing to collaborate with Counseling to develop ways for students and staff to interact prior to arrival

### WEBSITE

#### **OUTREACH MARKETING**

Enhance website to develop a customized, comprehensive international website that provides everything prospective students need to learn about the Mt. SAC experience.



#### COLLATERAL MATERIALS UPDATE

ISP has been collaborating with the Marketing Department since June of 2017 to develop unique marketing strategies and materials. Currently working with the Marketing Department to:

- International Student Handbook Completed. Will be updated with look and feel in June 2018
- International Student Worker Handbook Completed.
   Will be updated with look and feel in June 2018
- Develop a look and feel for the international student program. Projected to be complete June 2018
- Develop program brochure for the International Student Center. To be completed January 2018

## COLLATERAL MATERIALS

#### **OUTREACH/MARKETING**

Develop various materials to assist in the recruitment and application process.



#### IEW UPDATE

The overall programming goal is to provide opportunities for students and faculty at Mt. SAC to enhance their ability to relate to diverse cultures and to create stronger connections between the many ethnicities and nationalities that come to the College to develop their futures together.

- Working with the College Foundation to host an Outstanding Teachers Award and Friendsgiving Celebration for current students and alumni.
- Collaborating with various campus organizations to develop workshops and international education experiences.

# INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

#### **INTERNAL PROGRAMMATIC**

Collaborate with Student Life, Associated Students and Foreign Language other academic departments to schedule programming for IEW.



#### ISC UPDATE

In cooperation with Tom Mauch Dean of Counseling, Portable 9D has been recommended as a location for the International Student Center. Recommendation made June 8<sup>th</sup>. Awaiting approval.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CENTER

#### INTERNAL STRUCTURAL

Develop a permanent physical location and presence for international students including private offices, reception area, computer lab. Resource center.



#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

**September 28** – Hosting a panel discussion for Banned Book Week

Oct. 19 – Working with Allie Frickert to host a panel discussion/workshop for the UISFL Grant

**Nov. 15** – Faculty/ Student Cultural Luncheon

**Nov. 16** – Outstanding Teacher Award

**Spring 2018** - Working with Allie Frickert to coordinate POD trainings, Inter-Cultural Inventory Training

**Spring 2018** – Collaboration with Marymount College to attend exhibit on understanding the Chinese Education System

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

#### RELATED PROGRAMMING

Provide specialized workshops, seminars, speakers for college faculty an staff to increase awareness and understanding of international students.

