**MICHAEL YEONG’S STATEMENT**

*(****"Ethnic/Social Justice Studies", Faculty/Professor - Interview Committee)***

**From:** Yeong, Michael  
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**To:** Henderson, Silvester; Moore, A'kilah  
**Subject:** Re: Request for Faculty Participation, "Ethnic/Social Justice Studies", Faculty/Professor (Spring 2017)

I am interested in serving on the Interview committee for the Ethnic Studies/Social Justice Studies department.

Laura Subia, Ed Bolds, Judy Banks and I have worked for years trying to get an Ethnic Studies department at Los Medanos College.  We have attended workshop after workshop at Mills College in Oakland, Los Angeles Trade Tech College in LA and Mission Valley College in Santa Clara California finding out how these colleges were able to get an Ethnic Studies program off the ground.

Having taught at this college for the last 25 years and having incorporated ethnic studies and social justice issues in all of the courses I have taught it only seems fitting that I service on the interview committee with the goal of hiring qualified candidates for the faculty positions.