

Equivalency Committee Proposal

Context:

- ASCCC and our Union strongly recommend a standardized equivalency process within a district.
- DVC and CCC, would like to establish a standardized equivalency process, and worked to create the Equivalency Process form that would be used across all campuses.
- LMC Academic Senate has not approved that document because of a concern for small departments not having enough faculty to comply with a process that encourages more “eyes” on applications for equivalency.
- CCC has an effective standing equivalency committee model (see below) that provides support.

Proposal:

Pilot (for one year) a standing equivalency committee, that would include:

- Academic Senate President
- Academic Senate Vice-President
- Curriculum Committee Chair
- Faculty Member (appointed by Academic senate in a standing, one-year role)

This committee would be on hand to participate in equivalency processes as needed, in addition to the faculty within the department.

This standing committee provides year-round support for equivalency applications (since three of the four members work over the summer) in addition to a distributed availability model, where at least two of these people would be reasonably assumed to be available at any given time of year.

Timeline:

LMC Academic Senate approves the equivalency process forms

Pilot this committee model for 26-27 (including summer 27) and return to Academic Senate to review and consider permanent implementation.

