Re: Committee representation request for SGC - ART / E. Sanchez

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To Gunder, Paula <pgunder@losmedanos.edu>

Dear Academic Senate,

Below is my official application of interest to serve on the Shared Governance Council for the fall 25 semester.

- 1. Eric Sanchez
- 2. Art, Humanities & Philosophy Department
- 3. Shared Governance Council
- 4. Statement of interest included below.

Statement of Interest - Eric Sanchez

I would like to express my interest in serving as a faculty representative on the Shared Governance Council at Los Medanos College. My experience within the community college system is comprehensive—I have been a student in the California community college system, classified staff, and faculty, completing my education through the entire California State University system. I hold a Master's in Fine Art with a specialization in printmaking. Beyond education, I am an active participating artist and member of the Compound Studios collective in Emeryville. I also held experience as a studio manager for a nonprofit printmaking studio in Berkeley.

Professionally, I have collaborated with diverse populations, including individuals from various socioeconomic backgrounds, non-native English speakers, artists, and leaders of nonprofit and for-profit organizations. I strongly believe in enriching our students' education through hands-on experiences outside the classroom, such as community projects, real-world projects, and field trips that utilize the community as an extension of the classroom.

My experiences equip me to be a well-rounded committee member, balancing faculty needs while addressing the concerns of all invested stakeholders. I have served on multiple campus committees, including Academic Senate, IDEA, PDAC, Equity & Inclusion, 3SP, and the Guided Pathways pilot. As a faculty representative on the Shared Governance Council, I will adhere to LMC's Educational Master Plan and our district governance guidelines, advocating for equity and inclusion. I believe it is our responsibility as educators to identify and remove barriers so our community can rise together.

Sincerely,
Eric Sanchez
Co-Chair
Art, Humanities, and Philosophy Department