

LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE

Dear Academic Senate,

I am pleased to be considered for the faculty voting position on the Strategic Enrolment Management Committee (SEM). I am interested in continuing my service to the college and to the faculty as a voting member on this committee because of the distinctive and important work they are completing for the college on enrollment and guided pathways. I have faithfully served both on guided pathways committee which turned into SEM committee since their inception years ago. I would be happy to continue service in an official capacity.

I currently am the Math Engineering Science Achievement Director and a tenured full-time faculty based in the biology department. I have taught classes for students in their major pathway as well as general education. A large portion of my job is to run our instructional MESA learning community which includes 400+ students. MESA is essentially its own department and with that comes its own budget from the grants and the college. Because of this independent status we have our own Program Review and data reports. We not only provide reports to our college on data, but our reporting to the state chancellor's office is three times annually. This helps us to know that our program is staying on track, but also helps us to stay up with the ongoings and goals of guided pathways of the chancellor's office. I am very up to date of the Vision for Success goals and Guided Pathways.

Additionally, I am the co-chair of the Institutional Development for Equity Access (IDEA) committee. The purpose IDEA Committee is to inspire and advocate for an institutional culture that defines, values, and promotes equity, inclusion, and social justice for all members of the Los Medanos College community. This aligns with the SEM group as we are changing the college's makeup as a whole and want to make sure that everything is done so with an equity lens. I have in the past served as the Chair of the committee for several years and now am happy to serve as co-chair.

Student Enrollment Management Committee has always been a commitment of mine since its beginning. It has been said that learning communities are a template of guided pathways and MESA is a unique community as it is the only one that is major based. I myself am a product of MESA, and now as a faculty member and director, we can learn a lot from how to help student success and pathways.

It is my goal to be a voice for faculty and equity at SEM. I am committed to attending the meetings and can report back to the academic senate on important issues. I would like to continue to serve in my capacity as faculty on this committee as I have for the past few years, but now as a voting member.

It is important to have faculty, learning community, and equity voices at the table of SEM and I bring all of those with one vote.

Thank you for your consideration,



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