**TESS CALDWELL’S STATEMENT**

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

**From:** Caldwell, Tess
**Sent:** Thursday, December 08, 2016 3:48 PM
**To:** Henderson, Silvester
**Subject:** Re: Request for Faculty Participation, "Ethnic/Social Justice Studies", Faculty/Professor (Spring 2017)

Hi Silvester,

I respectfully submit my name to be on the interview committee for the Ethnic/Social Justice faculty position.  I had the honor of being on LMC's original Ethnic Studies department headed by Ed Bolds , and together we developed a core of Ethnic Studies courses, two of which I am still teaching (The African-American Lit Course and the Mythology of Ethnic America Course).  I am deeply committed to the program and would very much like to assist the new faculty member in developing and maintaining courses.  I'm also the Equity Professional Leadership Facilitator for the college, and I work with both full-time and adjunct faculty to devise ways to better serve students outlined in the Student Equity Plan.  Finally, I help coordinate the Umoja Scholars Program on campus, and this program is dedicated to helping African-American students get through their English and math requirements.