LMC Comprehensive Program Review

Student Services Units

Fall 2017

Career Services

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The following provides an outline of the required elements for a comprehensive program review for Student Services Programs.

1 EVALUATION/ANALYSIS (FOR ALL PROGRAMS)

1.1 ANNUAL REVIEW UPDATE ANALYSIS

Program:

Analyze your annual reviews (objectives and improvements) over the past 3 years.

To consider: Review your data and analyze major changes that have occurred in your program over the past four years. What were the contributing factors that led to these changes (i.e. demographic changes, student needs/demands, evaluation results)? Consider available data that may support trends in gender, age, ethnic breakdowns and the populations described in the Student Equity Plan (Veterans, DSPS, African American, ESL, low income students, Foster Youth). What are identified successes as a result of these changes? What needs to be improved upon? How has the effectiveness of your program and services been evaluated over the past four years?

Major Changes- Department and Staffing

Major changes in Career Services in the past four years revolve around the re-opening and restaffing of the program in 2015. Los Medanos Career Services was closed and without staffing for the majority of the 2014-2015 academic year. Limited services provided by a part time career counselor began in Spring 2015.

During the Spring 2015 semester, Career Services was formally brought together with Transfer Services, under the direction of a new position titled Director of Transfer & Career Services. From Fall 2015 to Fall 2017 the director also acted as coordinator of career exploration activities. In Fall 2017, two new Program Coordinator positions were approved to expand Career Services in the areas of CWEE, internship placement, and career exploration, with an anticipated fill date of Summer 2018.

Successes

Department and program successes over the past four years include:

- Reestablishment of Career Services at Los Medanos College
- Implementation of career exploration activities campus-wide, most notably, use of Gallup's StrengthsQuest skills assessment.

- Expansion of Career Services team to accommodate needs of statewide initiatives Strong Workforce, Guided Pathways and 3SP.
- Hosting LMC's first "Exploring Majors Day" in collaboration with academic departments and Student Services.

Areas of Improvement

While Career Services has made great strides in the past two years, staff transitions and overall department integration with Transfer Services has delayed implementation of most large-scale programming.

Career Services is behind schedule in the development and implementation of a three-year strategic plan, originally scheduled for completion in January 2018. A new deadline of January 2019 has been set, and will include goals related to programs, services, and organizational needs to support the mission of the department.

1.2 ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

Summarize your PSLO assessment reports and your assessment plans. Summarize any changes that you are making to your PSLOs.

Career Services has defined two PSLOs for program activities:

- Students who attend a workshop or meet with a career coach regarding the job/internship search process will learn techniques to improve their potential to find employment.
- After attending a resume workshop or meeting with a career coach on how to develop a resume, students will gain information on how to create well-written and effective resumes.

Due to lack of staffing and staff transitions, a very small number of workshops have been held over the past four years, and PSLOs have not been assessed in previous program reviews for Career Services. However, moving forward, pre and post tests have been created to assess PSLO objectives, and will be assessed and evaluated beginning Fall 2018.

1.3 Professional Development

Summarize the past (2-5 years) and present professional development activities of your unit/program's members and impact (directly or indirectly) on student success

To consider: Have the past training and professional development opportunities been sufficient to support the needs of your department/program? Include examples of equity focused professional development that your unit/program has engaged in and opportunities for future equity focused professional development.

Over the past 2 years, staff involved in Career Services have been given access to both district and external professional development opportunities. All employees are highly encouraged to participate in campus and district FLEX activities. All Career Services staff attend external trainings and conferences annually, through department funds and with the use of categorical funding such as PDAC and Equity. Examples of external trainings attended in the previous two years are:

- StrengthsQuest Certification
- WASEA Student Employment Training

Continued professional development is important in any higher education field, and is vital to Career Services, where services depend on rapidly changing information and industry standards. Professional development, especially in StrengthsQuest, will be instrumental in the support of new career staff coming on board in the next year.

1.4 COLLABORATION

Describe any current collaboration efforts that are occurring between your unit/program and other units and programs both inside and outside of Student Services, and impact (directly or indirectly) on student success.

Campus Partnerships	
Don't Cancel Classes: Career Services	LMC students are exposed to Career
partners with instructors to provide	Services and career knowledge who might
career-related workshops and	not otherwise approach the desk.
presentations in during class meetings	
Learning Community Presentations: Career	LMC students are exposed to Career
Services partners with learning	Services and career knowledge who might
communities to provide career workshops	not otherwise approach the desk.
and presentations to students	
Exploring Majors Day: Career Services	LMC students are exposed to Career
collaborated with academic departments	Services and career knowledge who might
for an all-day tabling event showcasing	not otherwise approach the desk, with a
LMC majors, and potential career	special focus on undeclared students.
pathways	

2 LONG TERM GOALS (HOW TO GET THERE)

2.1 LONG TERM (5 YEAR) GOALS TO MEET COLLEGE STRATEGIC PLAN

Consider the College's Strategic Directions along with our Integrated Planning Goals listed here:

College Strategic Directions 2014-2019	Integrated Planning Goals
1. Increase equitable student engagement,	1. ACCESS: increase access through enrollment of
learning, and success.	students currently underserved in our
	community.
2. Strengthen community engagement and	
partnerships.	2. IDENTIFYING PATHWAYS: Increase the number
	of students that define a goal and pathway by the
3. Promote innovation, expand organizational	end of their first year.
capacity, and enhance institutional effectiveness.	·
	3. COLLEGE-LEVEL TRANSITION: Increase the
4. Invest in technology, fortify infrastructure, and	number of students successfully transitioning into
enhance fiscal resources.	college level math and English courses.
	4. PERSISTENCE & COMPLETION: Increase
	successful course completions, and term to term
	persistence.
	5. EQUITABLE SUCCESS: Improve the number of
	LMC students who earn associates degrees,
	certificates of achievement, transfer, or obtain
	career employment.
	6. LEARNING CULTURE: Enhance staff, faculty and
	administration's understanding and use of
	culturally inclusive practices/pedagogy,
	demonstrating empathy and compassion when
	working with students.

List 3-5 longer term (5 year) new goals for your program. For each goal, pick 1-2 College Strategic Directions and/or 1-2 Integrated Planning Goals to which your new goal aligns.

Goals	Aligned College Strategic Direction(s)	Aligned Integrated Planning Goal(s)
Goal 1: Develop three-year	Promote innovation, expand	LEARNING CULTURE:
strategic plan for Career Services,	organizational capacity, and	Enhance staff, faculty and
with goals related to programs,	enhance institutional	administration's
services, and organizational needs	effectiveness.	understanding and use of
by January 2019.		culturally inclusive
		practices/pedagogy,
		demonstrating empathy and

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		compassion when working with students.
Goal 2: Increase student access to career exploration activities through implementation of annual campus-wide career events. Initial milestones: - Develop and host two campus events annually by June 2022. - Hold two job-site field trips annually by June 2022.	Increase equitable student engagement, learning, and success.	IDENTIFYING PATHWAYS: Increase the number of students that define a goal and pathway by the end of their first year. EQUITABLE SUCCESS: Improve the number of LMC students who earn associates degrees, certificates of achievement, transfer, or obtain career employment.
Goal 3: Broaden student access to career exploration tools through integrating Career Exploration resources into classroom and counseling sessions: initial milestone is to increase classroom presentations to 400 student contacts annually by June 2022.	. Increase equitable student engagement, learning, and success.	. IDENTIFYING PATHWAYS: Increase the number of students that define a goal and pathway by the end of their first year. EQUITABLE SUCCESS: Improve the number of LMC students who earn associates degrees, certificates of achievement, transfer, or obtain career employment.
Goal 4: Develop robust internship and job placement program by August 2021	Promote innovation, expand organizational capacity, and enhance institutional effectiveness. Strengthen community engagement and partnerships.	. IDENTIFYING PATHWAYS: Increase the number of students that define a goal and pathway by the end of their first year. EQUITABLE SUCCESS: Improve the number of LMC students who earn associates degrees, certificates of achievement, transfer, or obtain career employment
Goal 5: Transition Cooperative Work Experience Education from Workforce Development to Career Services by September 2018.	Promote innovation, expand organizational capacity, and enhance institutional effectiveness. Invest in technology, fortify infrastructure, and enhance fiscal resources.	ACCESS: increase access through enrollment of students currently underserved in our community. PERSISTENCE & COMPLETION: Increase successful course

	completions, and term to
	term persistence.

To consider: If applicable, describe how these goals are designed to increase student engagement in 3SP and equitable student outcomes.

2.2 STAFFING REQUEST (OPTIONAL)

Suggested description:

Describe existing level of staffing for each program or service: how many permanent full-time and/or part-time employees are there, including faculty, classified staff and manager? How many hourly faculty and/or staff, how many student employees are needed on a regular basis (i.e. every semester, year-round)?

Does the existing level of staffing impact available hours of service? The ability to provide a full-level of service? If additional staff are needed, identify how your program/service would benefit (i.e. what additional services could be offered, longer business hours, etc.) and how additional staffing would support long term goals.

Include but not limited reassign time, classified/manager, student assistant, etc. (full-time faculty request is Box 2A process).

Faculty/Staff Resource Request					
Department/Unit Goal - Refe	rence #	Strategic Objective - Reference	ce#		
Department/Unit Name		Position Name/Classification		FTE	
Position Type Faculty R/T Classified Manager Student	Funding Duration On-going/Permanent One-time	Funding Source Operations (Fund 11) Other	Est. Salary & E	enefits	
Justification:					

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2.3 OPERATING REQUEST (OPTIONAL)

Suggested Description:

Describe how your program/service is structured within your existing space. For example, where is it located in relationship to other services, what services are provided by X number of staff? How would additional space or a different location impact the capacity for offering additional services? Provide a clear description of needs and rationale.

Describe the current equipment/technology needs for your program/service, as well as anticipated needs to meet long term goals. How would additional equipment or available technology effect the quality of your program and/or service?

Operating Resource Request					
Department/Unit Goal - Reference #	Strategic Objective - Refere	ence #			
Department/Unit Name	Resource Type				
	Equipment	☐ IT Hardware/Software			
	Supplies	☐ Facility Improvement			
	Service/Contract	Other			
General Description		Est. Expense			
Justification:					

2.4 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REQUEST (OPTIONAL)

Suggested Description:

Based on current professional development and training opportunities, as well as long term program goals, describe anticipated professional development needs to support growth and new directions for your program.

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Professional Development Resource Request					
Department/Unit Goal - Reference #	Strategic Objective - Reference #				
Department/Unit Name	Resource Type				
	☐ Conference/Meeting ☐ Materials/Supplies				
	☐ Online Learning ☐ IT Hardware/Software				
	☐ Other				
General Description	Est. Expense				
Justification:					

3 FOR UNITS/PROGRAMS WHO OFFER COURSES:

3.1 COURSE SUCCESS/RETENTION ANALYSIS

Please review the data provided on course retention and success, which has been disaggregated by as many elements as district can provide in their SQL Report

One of our college goals as stated in our Integrated Plan is to "Increase successful course completion, and term to term persistence." Our Equity Plan identifies African- American and low income students as disproportionally impacted in terms of successful course completion. (Foster youth are also disproportionately impacted on this indicator, but numbers are too small to disaggregate by discipline/program) Please indicate how well students in these groups are succeeding in your discipline.

	African- American	Low Income Students	All students in program/discipline
Completion Rate (program/discipline)			

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Success Rate		
(program/discipline)		

3.2 CURRICULUM UPDATE

Summarize the status of your curriculum including an analysis of the status of your COORs, prerequisites/co-requisites, advisories, depth, breadth, rigor, sequencing, and time to completion.

3.3 CSLO UPDATE

Summarize your CSLO assessment reports and your assessment plans. Summarize any changes that you are making to your CSLOs.

3.4 Course Offering Analysis

Analyze your course/section offerings and trends, and report any new course or program plans.

4 FOR PROGRAMS WITH ADVISORY BOARDS:

4.1 Advisory Board Update

Give an overview of the current purpose, structure, and effectiveness of your advisory board. List the members and corresponding organizational (internal or external) affiliations.