

Minutes

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2pm-3pm via Zoom

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Computer Science Program Review

Section: IC – Basic Program Information

- Concerning issues of access, retention, and success of students. 200-level courses have maxed out and have students sitting on the floor.
 - Why not offer more hybrid classes or online classes if there is a demand? Suggestion to reach out to the department’s Dean to request accommodating space for students
- Offering Hybrid or Hyflex class modalities can create other barriers – Suggestion to discuss with Dean to look at modalities

Section: IIA – Student Success Trends – Completion Data by Ethnicity

- Concerning issues around equity
 - Lower enrollment percentage among females to males
 - Dept. outreach may encourage more enrollment
 - No DI shown that is significant for ethnicity
 - Establish a deeper partnership with MESA to support students and program

Section: IIB – Student Success Trends – Discussion

- Discussion about implementing program suggestions to support higher success rates
 - Flexible options for 2nd chance learning
 - “Try Before You Buy” pre-course
 - Multi-lingual tutors

Section IIC: Student Learning Outcomes – Assessment

- Suggestion to move forward with standardization of OR & SLOs
 - How is SLO assessed if it is met?
- Suggestion for expanding the SLOs section

Recommendations

- A. Encourage implementation of program suggestions to support higher success rates
- B. Provide specifics on Strategic Plan Objectives for all students, not just those who are struggling
- C. Outreach around gender
- D. Meet as a department and align department SLOs with institutional SLOs
 - a. Provide more detail on assessment-related work
- E. Revisit trends around AI and how it impacts COMP courses and the future for the program development at the college
 - a. Think critically about the nature of the job market moving forward
 - b. What is the plan to address the nature of this program?
- F. Partner with other departments to have conversations regarding opportunities to reimagine new ways to create career pathways

Commendations:

- A. Accessibility:
 - a. Providing access to software on the cloud
 - b. Offering ZTC courses
 - c. 2nd chance options built into course
 - d. Independent study classes create opportunities for students who have basic needs or other challenges