10/AS/17/UEPC Campus Implementation of SB 412: The California Promise

Whereas: California State Senate Bill SB-412 "The California Promise" was approved by Governor Jerry Brown on September 21, 2016; and

Whereas: California State University, Stanislaus, has been designated by the Chancellor's Office as one of eight CSU campuses mandated to implement the transfer student portion of the California Promise Program, for students transferring in Fall 2017; and

Whereas: A fundamental required component of campus implementation of SB-412 is priority registration, making timeliness an essential concern; therefore

Be it Resolved: That the Academic Senate of California State University, Stanislaus recommends adoption of the implementation of the California Promise program as outlined in the attached document; and be it further

Resolved: That this program is made available to qualifying transfer students starting in Fall 2017.

Rationale:

Since the California state legislature has discovered that it can attempt to reform the CSU by legislative mandate, our campus is compelled to respond to required initiatives, benchmarks and timelines that are not of our choosing. The short timeline for implementation of the California Promise program is an example of this, especially since it mandates priority registration.

To implement this essential, required program component while serving both the desired outcomes as well as all of the other, myriad needs and priorities extant among students, an ad hoc work group was formed from the University Education Policies Committee, who have formulated and recommended the attached outline. The outline, and the concomitant practices it suggests, represent a fairly limited initial implementation of the California Promise, to allow for adjustment as the program grows and develops, and to limit possible negative effects to the general student body while also serving the goals set by SB-412 and the needs of the students who choose to participate in the program.

SB 412 is an unfunded mandate and the campus will need to closely monitor the effects on the success of all students and on faculty and staff workload.

This proposal was affirmatively reviewed by both UEPC and SEC prior to presentation to the Academic Senate.

The California Promise Two-Year Graduation Pledge

The Stanislaus State Two-Year Graduation Pledge is a program designed to guarantee graduation within 2 years for California resident students with an Associate Degree for Transfer.

To qualify, students must:

- Be a California resident;

- Have completed an Associate Degree for Transfer;

- Declared a major deemed similar by Stanislaus State.

Qualifying students sign a pledge to meet the following program requirements:

- Meet with an assigned California Promise major advisor to develop an enrollment plan.

- Enter the enrollment plan into StanPlanner.

- Enroll in classes and pay fees by the required deadlines.

- Meet at least once per semester with the assigned California Promise major advisor to monitor and modify the enrollment plan as appropriate, and update the plan in StanPlanner accordingly.

- Complete 30 semester units that count toward the enrollment plan within each academic year (Winter Intersession and Summer Session included).

As part of the pledge, the University commits to providing the following:

- An assigned California Promise major advisor who will assist the student in developing an enrollment plan, meet with the student at least once per semester to monitor academic progress, and who will help to modify the plan as appropriate;

- Prioritization by student level classification of second pass within the Two-Pass Registration System.[1]

Approved by the Academic Senate on May 9, 2017
Approved by President Ellen Junn on June 22, 2017

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[1] 'Prioritization by student level classification' means that—*during second pass registration only*—CA Promise students will be prioritized within their level classification, i.e., seniors will get second-pass priority over other seniors, juniors only over other juniors, etc.