

Meeting of Ad Hoc Committee
Sustainable Design and Development (program proposal)

Purpose of meeting:

1. Review a proposal to initiate a new CTE program, “Sustainable Design and Development,” which includes two certificates. The new program would be housed within the department of Architecture and Interior Design (under the Architecture program).
2. Take action to approve, reject, or amend the proposal (committee’s recommendation will be submitted to the Academic Senate).

Proposal Overview: Two new certificates

1. Certificate of Specialization (4 ½ units)
 - The program will be offered every semester, and can be completed in a single semester
 - The program trains a Green Collar workforce for the LEED GA (“general associate”) accreditation exam. (The GA precedes a more advanced specialization.)
 - The 4 ½ units can be applied to the Certificate of Achievement (see below).
2. Certificate of Achievement (18 ½ units)
 - The program can be completed within 1-2 semesters.
 - The program prepares students for entry-level job opportunities once they pass the exam.

Both certificates require only 4 ½ units of new curriculum; all other courses already exist within existing certificates and degrees. As few as 4 ½ units will be required to produce completers in one semester. Both certificates will be offered online in the near future (DLA); instructors are currently being trained to teach the online courses.