# ACADEMIC SENATE SUB-COMMITTEES

2023-24 FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

At COC, there are Academic Senate Standing Committees, College-wide Committees, and Collegial Consultation Committees. The Academic Senate President, in consultation with the Academic Senate and chief executive officer (or designee) appoints faculty members to serve on committees as per the 10+1 responsibilities of the Academic Senate. The Academic Senate's Bylaws require the Academic Senate to approve the faculty appointments annually to Committees.

#### **Academic Staffing Committee**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

The Academic Staffing Committee (ASC) of the Academic Senate recommends to the CEO the hiring priority for all academic full-time faculty positions. The recommendations include recommendations to hire for new FT faculty positions as well as recommendations to hire to fill vacant FT faculty positions created by retirements, terminations, and resignations.

Meets: Second Tuesday of each month at 4:00 pm

Location: BONH 248

Miriam Golbert	MSE/ Committee Faculty Co-Chair
Dr. Omar Torres	VP Instruction/VP of Instruction/Administrator
	Co-Chair
<b>Faculty Appointments</b>	
<b>Faculty Member</b>	School
Christina Chung	Business
Diane Solomon	Student Services
Erik Altenbernd	Social & Behavioral Sciences
Garrett Rieck	Non-Credit
Jason Burgdorfer	MSE
Sara Breshears	Learning Resources
VACANT	KPEA/KPEI/KPET
VACANT	Applied Technology
VACANT	Humanities
VACANT	VAPA
Other Members	
Dr. Jasmine Ruys	VP of Student Services/Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Rian Medlin	Assistant Superintendent/Vice President, Human
	Resources

#### **Academic Freedom Committee**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023 & 9/21/23

The Committee on Academic Freedom makes formal recommendations and/or clarifications to the Academic Senate on matters of dispute or controversy relating to academic freedom, including

alleged violations of Board Policy 4030 (Academic Freedom). The Committee on Academic Freedom also offers informal advice or guidance on matters of academic freedom to faculty members who request it, and it also provides educational opportunities to the campus community with respect to academic freedom.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month during the regular semester from 3:00-4:30 p.m.

Location: BONH 248.

Faculty Appointments	School
Chris Blakey, Chair	Humanities
Deanna Riveira	SBS
Karyl Kicenski	Social & Behavioral Sciences
Lauren Rome	SBS (Adjunct)
Tricia George	Humanities
Urvashi Juneja	MSE
Collette Salvatierra	Learning Resources

#### **CASL/Academic Program Review**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023 & 9/21/23

The Committee for Assessing Student Learning (CASL) Committee's mission is to ensure that the college goes through an ongoing, systematic process that clarifies and improves SLOs at every level from institutional, program, and course through certificates and degrees with specific emphasis on student success. The Committee works with faculty to ensure the methods of assessment of course SLOs and program SLOs are aligned and consistent across the college. The purpose of the Program Review Committee is to provide training, advisement and assistance to College of the Canyons faculty and staff to facilitate and improve the program review process. The committee will provide leadership and guidance by reviewing comprehensive program reviews, annual plans, outcomes and assessment cycles, and evaluating the program review planning process.

Meets: The Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month at 1:30pm-3:00pm and is a combined meeting with the Committee for Assessing Student Learning.

Location: Zoom

Mary Powell	CASL Faculty Chair
Sab Matsumoto	CASL Co-Chair
Erica Torgeson	Program Review Faculty Chair
Faculty Appointments	
Faculty Member	School
Alexa Dimakos	Humanities/ePortfolio Faculty Coordinator
Anh Vo	Health Professions
Cindy Stephens	Social & Behavioral Sciences
Claudenice McCalister	Applied Tech.
Erika Torgeson	Student Services
Howard Fisher	KPEA/KPEI/KPET
Jeff Baker	VAPA
Rana Akiel	MSE
VACANT	Business

VACANT	Learning Resources
VACANT	Student Services
VACANT	Adjunct
Violeta Kovacev-Nicolic	MSE
Other Members	
Andy McCutcheon	Dean School of Humanities & Social &
	Behavioral Sciences
Daylene Meuschke	Dean, Inst. Research, Planning & Effectiveness
Evis Wilson	Classified, Program Technician (SLO/ePortfolio)
Jeff Gregor	Executive Dean, Instructional Services and Public
	Safety; Acting Dean, KPEA and Recreation
	Management
Paul Wickline	Associate VP Academic Affairs

## **Career Education Committee (CEC)**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

The Career Education Committee (CEC) is a sub-committee of the Academic Senate. The primary role of the Committee is to serve as a resource and advisory group for investigating and recommending options and strategies to the Academic Senate on policies, initiatives, budgets, grants, work plans, professional development, and curriculum directed to Career Education (CE).

Meets: The committee meets twice a month on Mondays from 1:00-2:00pm

Location: Zoom

Gary Quire	Business/CE Liaison/Committee Faculty Chair
Harriet Happel	Dean, Career Ed. Integrative Learning &
	Employment Center /Administrator Chair
Faculty Appointments	
<b>Faculty Member</b>	School
Brittany Applen	Humanities
Hencelyn Chu	Health Professions
Jeff Baker	VAPA
Jennifer Paris	SBS
Jon Amador	VAPA
Justin Hunt	Applied Tech
Juanita Jaramillo	Health Professions
Larry Alvarez	Public Safety
Mark Daybell	VAPA
Nicole Faudree (confirmed for SP 2024)	Business
Regina Blasberg	Applied Tech.
SB Tucker	Public Safety
Tim Baber	Applied Tech
Xanth Stack	Applied Tech
Jaya George – need to confirm	Health Professions
Bill Macpherson need to confirm	VAPA
Other Members	

Carl Decarlo	Director, Fire Academy Programs
Daylene Meuschke	Associate VP Research, Planning & Institutional
	Effectiveness
Dr. Omar Torres	Assistant Superintendent/Vice President of
	Instruction
Heather Dotter Need to add new Dean	Dean, Health Professions
James Temple	Assistant Superintendent/VP, Information
	Technology
Jason Hinkle	Associate VP, Business Services
Jeff Gregor	Executive Dean, Instructional Services and
	Public Safety; Acting Dean, KPEA and
	Recreation Management
Justin Wallace	Director, Business Partnership and Workforce
	Engagement-Educational. Administrator
Marilyn Jimenez	Administrative Assistant to the Academic Senate
	and Instructional Support
Nadia Cotti	Dean, Applied Technology/Dean, Business
Nancy Sandoval	Career and Technical Education Coordinator
Paula Hodge Retired	Regional Director EED

#### **CETL Steering Committee**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

The Center for Excellence in Teaching & Learning (CETL) Steering Committee meets to discuss the work of CETL, an organization whose mission is for the promotion and implementation of a wide range of professional development opportunities for teachers. The CETL is responsible for recruiting and training experienced teachers who can share their skills with others.

Meets: 2:00pm – 3:00pm, Third Wednesday of every month

Location: HyFlex

Julianne Johnson	Social & Behavioral Sciences /Faculty Co-Chair
Robert Wonser	Social & Behavioral Sciences /Faculty Co-Chair
Faculty Appointments	
Faculty Member	School
Brent Riffel	Social & Behavioral Sciences
Caitlin Newcomer	Humanities
Christine Iskander	Humanities
Cindy Stephens	Social & Behavioral Sciences
Erica Seubert	MSE
Garrett Rieck	Personal & Professional Learning
Mehgen Andrade	Social & Behavioral Sciences
Michelle LaBrie	Social & Behavioral Sciences
Tammy Mahan	Social & Behavioral Sciences
Teresa Ciardi	MSE
Victoria Leonard	Social & Behavioral Sciences

Violeta Kovacev-Nikolic	MSE
Other Members	
Chloe McGinley	Distance Learning

#### **Civic and Community Engagement Steering Committee**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

The Civic Engagement Initiative at College of the Canyons bridges theory with practice to foster a "civic-minded" campus culture, which advances democratic thought and action for the public good. By engaging in collaboration, critical thinking, and integrative learning, students, faculty, staff and community partners serve as civic leaders working in tandem to co-educate, as well as to co-create responses to real-world, authentic problems. In addition, by encouraging greater awareness of today's local, national and global issues, an informed and empowered citizenry can confront situations of inequity, whether facing person, place or living being by emphasizing the High Impact Practice of Project-Based Learning through curricular and co-curricular opportunities. Civic and community engagement welcomes inclusion, builds unity, and values dialogue and deliberation

Meets: 4:00pm – 5:00pm on the Fourth Wednesday of the month

Location: Zoom

Patty Robinson	Faculty Co-Chair/ Faculty Director and
	Community Engagement Initiatives
Jessica Edmond	Humanities /Faculty Co-Chair/Adjunct
<b>Faculty Appointments</b>	, , ,
Faculty Member	School
Ally Loprete	SBS (Adjunct)
Anne Marenco	SBS
Chase Dimock	Humanities
Linda Vasquez	Humanities (Adjunct)
Lisa Malley	SBS
Teresa Ciardi	MSE
Tricia Foley	MSE
Other Members:	
Jesse McClure	Alumni and Short-Term Hourly
Lauryn Kanagi	Alumni and Short-Term Hourly
Administrators:	
Amber Cole	Director of Grants Development
Andy McCutheon	Dean, School of Humanities & SBS
Flavio Medina Martin	Director, Diversity & Inclusion
<b>Community Members</b>	
Niki Feast-Williams	Community Member
Lois Bauccio	Community Member
Renee Roque	Community Member

## **Constitution & By-Laws Committee**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

The Constitution & By-Laws Committee is a standing committee of the Academic Senate whose function is to the revise the constitution and by-laws.

Meets: Committee meets as needed.

Michelle LaBrie	Faculty Chair, SBS
Faculty Appointments	
Faculty Member	School
Carly Gott	MSE
Regina Blasberg	Applied Tech.
Shane Ramey	MSE
Siane Holland	Social & Behavioral Sciences (Adjunct)
VACANT, Chair	Social & Behavioral Sciences

#### **Curriculum Committee**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

The Curriculum Committee fosters the development of new curricula, as well as reviewing revisions of existing curricula. The committee is responsible for making the recommendation for approval of all new and revised curricula. Their recommendations go to the Academic Senate and then the Board of Trustees for final approval. The committee also implements state-mandated regulations or policies that affect curriculum, recommends associate degree requirements to the Academic Senate, administration, and Board of Trustees. The committee also recommends additions, deletions, and modifications in general education patterns for the associate degree, the California State University General Education Breadth Requirements, and the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC). They review all curriculum proposals to ensure congruence with the college's mission, need, quality, feasibility, and compliance with Title 5 Regulations.

Meets: On select Thursdays (that alternate with the Academic Senate) from 3-5 pm. Location: Hybrid (BONH-330 and Zoom)

Tricia George	Committee Faculty Chair
Dr. Omar Torres	Assistant Superintendent/Vice President of
	Instruction, Administrative Co-Chair
Faculty Appointments	
Faculty Member	School
Diana Stanich	VAPA
Erin Barnthouse	Learning Resources
Garrett Rieck	Non-Credit
Holly Hitt-Zuniga	Applied Technologies
Julie Hovden	Student Services/Articulation Faculty
Leora Gabay	KPEA/KPEI/KPET
Lori Young	Business
Mary Bates	MSE
Mike Haratunian	Humanities
Sarah Etheridge	Social & Behavioral Sciences
VACANT	Health Professions

At-Large Faculty Appointments	
Christopher Boltz	At-Large Seat #1
Jeremy Patrich	At-Large Seat #2
Susan Ling	At-Large Seat #3
VACANT	At-Large Seat #4
Carly Gott	At-Large Seat #5
Adjunct Faculty Appointments	
VACANT	Adjunct Seat #1
Arshia Malekzadeh	Adjunct Seat #2
Linda Bearegard-Vasquez	Adjunct Seat #3
Other Members	
Steve Erwin	Director, Admissions & Records, non-voting
Patrick Backes	Articulation Officer/Curriculum Analyst

#### **Elections Committee**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

The Elections Committee is a standing operational committee of the Academic Senate whose function is to the conduct all elections for the Academic Senate. This includes elections for Academic Senate President, Vice President, all Senators (full-time and adjunct) and elections for Department Chairs. The Elections Committee also conducts elections as needed for any vacancies in the Academic Senate positions or for Department Chairs.

Meets: As needed. Location: Zoom

Dustin Silva	Committee Faculty Chair
Faculty Appointments	
Faculty Member	School
Karyl Kacenski	Social & Behavioral Sciences
VACANT	

## **Faculty Professional Development**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

This committee is charged with adhering to the California code of Regulations, Section 55724, including providing a complete description of the FLEX calendar and configuration, developing institutional criteria for FLEX credit and developing the content and schedule for instructional improvement days.

Meets: 11:00 am – 12:15pm, Second and Fourth Monday of the month

Location: Zoom

Teresa Ciardi	Committee Faculty Chair
Faculty Appointments	
Faculty Member	School

Adam Kaminsky	Social & Behavioral Sciences
Annie Aboulian	Humanities
Brandon Hilst/ Teresa Ciardi	MSE
Chris Cota (Fall)/ VACANT for Spring	K&PE
Collins, Brooke	Social & Behavioral Sciences
Marian Riviera	At Large Representative (Adjunct)
Sara Breshears	Learning Resources
Scott McAfee	High Tech Center/Access Coordinator III, Disabled Students Programs & Services (DSP&S/ At Large Representative (Adjunct)
Susan Ling	Student Services
Tammy Mahan	Social & Behavioral Sciences - At-Large FTF Representative
Theresa Winter	Health Professions
VACANT	Business
VACANT	Applied Technology
VACANT	VAPA
VACANT	ASG Representative
VACANT	Personal & Professional Learning
Victoria Leonard	Social & Behavioral Sciences, At-Large FTF Representative
Other Members	
Leslie Carr	Director, Professional Development Chair

## **Honors Advisory Committee**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

The Honors Program at College of the Canyons offers an enriched curriculum to students with a strong academic record in order to increase their chances for successful transfer to competitive four-year institutions. In addition, honor courses will be augmented with seminar-style events, special projects, and community activities, the program provides opportunities for critical thinking, extensive writing, and in-depth learning in a wide variety of transferable general education courses.

Meets: 4:00pm – 5:00pm, Second Wednesday of the month

Location: BONH 248

Miriam Golbert	MSE/Faculty Co-Chair
Paul Wickline	Associate VP Office of Instruction
Faculty Appointments	
Faculty Member	School
Claudia Acosta	Humanities
Caitlin Newcomer	Humanities
Chase Dimock	Humanities
Rana Akiel	MSE
Patricia Garcia	Counseling

Other Members	
Leslie Vastano	Adult Hourly

#### **Minimum Qualifications and Equivalencies**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

The Minimum Qualifications and Equivalencies committee (MQE) developed a process for establishing equivalencies to the minimum qualifications at COC as outlined in Administrative Procedures 7121. An instructor may apply to the Minimum Qualifications and Equivalency Committee if the applicant feels that his or her qualifications are equivalent to the statewide minimum qualifications as listed on the Disciplines List. Equivalency applicants must submit transcripts and other documentation to support the request. Equivalency may never mean fewer qualifications than the published minimum qualifications. Also note, equivalencies do not transfer from district to district.

Meets: 9:00am – 10:00am on the third Monday of each month.

Location: Zoom

Alisha Kaminsky	Faculty Chair
Faculty Appointments	
Faculty Member	School
Aivee Ortega	Student Services
Diana Stanich	KPEA/KPEI/KPET
James Gilmore	MSE
Justin Hunt	Applied Technology
Mary Powell	Humanities
Nerissa Yuhico	Health Professions
Pamela Williams Paez	SBS
Phylise Smith	VAPA
Robert Maxwell	Business
Other Members	
Rian Medlin	Assistant Superintendent/Vice President, Human
	Resources

## **Personal and Professional Learning Committee**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

The Personal and Professional Learning (PPL) committee discusses items related to noncredit curriculum development and approval, outreach strategies, overall program planning, marketing, and integration with guided pathway efforts at the College.

Meets: Meets as needed

Location: TBD

Garrett Rieck	Non-Credit/Faculty Chair
VACANT	Administrative Co-Chair
Faculty Appointments	

<b>Faculty Member</b>	School
Alene Terzian	Humanities
Brittany Applen	Humanities
Charlie Johnson	MSE
Christina Chung	Business
Claudia Acosta	Humanities
Diane Solomon	Counseling
Regina Blasberg	Applied Technologies
Shannon Doronio	VAPA
Susan Prier	Counseling
VACANT	MSE
Other Members	
Andy McCutcheon	Dean, School of Humanities & SBS
Anthony Michaelides	Dean, Campus Services & Operations (CCC)
Cyndi Trudeau	Admin Assistant, Instruction
Daylene Meuschke	Associate VP, IRP & Inst. Effectiveness
Dr. Jasmine Ruys	VP, Student Services
Dr. Omar Torres	Assistant Superintendent/Vice President of
	Instruction
Eric Harnish	VP, Public Info, Advocacy & External Relations
Harriet Happel	Dean, Career Ed. Integrative Learning &
	Employment Center
James Temple	Assistant Superintendent/VP, Information
	Technology
Jeff Gregor	Executive Dean, Instructional Services and
	Public Safety; Acting Dean, KPEA and
T 'C C. 1	Recreation Management
Jennifer Steele	Dean, School of VAPA
John Green	Director, District Communication
John Milburn	Interim VP, Economic & Workforce Dev/ Exec
Line Describ	Director, ETI
Lisa Pavik	Director, Noncredit Enrollment Services
Michael Monsour	Classified, Student Services III (SSSP & 3SP)
Nadia Cotti	Dean, Applied Technology & Business
Paul Wickline	Associate VP Instruction
Paula Hodge	DSN, Info & Comm. Tech (ICT)/Digital Media
Steve Erwin	Associate Dean, Admissions & Records and
VACIANT	Veterans Services
VACANT	Inst. Support Coordinator III (Learning
VACANT	Resources)
VACANT	ASG Executive Vice President
VACANT	ASG President

**Policy Review**Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

The Policy Review Committee serves largely in an advisory and developmental capacity. To that end, the Committee works with members of the faculty, administration as well as all campus groups in order to address campus policy and procedural concerns in an inclusive and collegial manner. The Policy Review Committee is not intended to maintain full representative membership. All resulting work product of the committee must receive approval of the representative Academic Senate. Policies are then submitted as recommendations to the Campus Policy Council, one of the Collegial Consultation Committees, which ultimately submit the policy as a recommendation to the Board of Trustees.

Meeting: 2:00pm – 3:00pm, Every other Thursday of the month

Location: Hybrid (BONH 248 and Zoom)

Gary Collis	Business/Faculty Chair
Faculty Appointments	
Faculty Member	School
Erica Seubert	MSE
Garrett Hooper	Counseling
Jason Burgdorfer	COCFA President/MSE
Lori Marie Rios	VAPA
Michael McCaffrey	VAPA
Rebecca Shepherd	Social & Behavioral Sciences

#### **Program Viability**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

The Program Viability Committee uses the evidence contained within the initial proposal for instructional programs as a foundation to make a qualitative assessment as to determining the merit of initiation, modification or discontinuance. The committee meets select Thursdays. All newly initiated programs must submit a proposal to PV Committee before the 8<sup>th</sup> week of the fall semester. Proposals include qualitative and quantitative data (labor market analysis).

Meets: 10:00am - 11:30am, Second and Fourth Thursday of the Month

Location: Zoom

Garrett Rieck	Non-Credit/Faculty Chair
<b>Faculty Appointments</b>	
Faculty Member	School
Jason Burgdorfer	MSHP-MSE/COCFA President
Jaya George	Health Professions
Jennifer Paris	CTE/ECE Rep
Julie Hovden	Student Services
Karl Striepe	Transfer Discipline Faculty
Tricia George	Curriculum Committee Chair
VACANT	Adjunct/AFT-Student Services
VACANT	Program Review
VACANT	ASG Student
Other Members	

Daylene Meuschke	Assoc VP Institute Research, Plan, Effectiveness & Stu Exp Red
Diane Avery	Dean, Academic Innovation and Continuing
	Education Personal and Professional Learning
Dr. Jennifer Brezina	Executive Dean, Instructional Services and
	Public Safety
Dr. Omar Torres	Assistant Superintendent/Vice President of
	Instruction
Erin Tague	Interim Assist. Superintendent of Facilities
Harriet Happel	Dean, Career Education, Integrative Learning and
	Employment Center
Heather Dotter	Dean, Health Professions
Jason Hinkle	Assistant Superintendent/VP of Business
	Services
Jason Munoz	Associate VP of Facilities
Jim Temple	Assistant Superintendent/VP of Technologies
Kelly Dapp	Director, Campus Life & Student Engagement
Nadia Cotti	Dean, Applied Technology/Dean, Business
Paul Wickline	Acting Dean, KPEA

# **Scholarly Presentation**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

The Scholarly Presentation Committee exist to display the diverse and unique knowledge and interests of COC faculty by selecting one faculty per semester to showcase his/her expertise in a specific field.

Meets: TBD Location: TBD

Sarah Etheridge	Faculty Chair
<b>Faculty Appointments</b>	·
<b>Faculty Member</b>	School
Katie Coleman	Social & Behavioral Sciences
Kelly Cude	MSE
Mary Bates	MSE
Mehgen Andrade	Social & Behavioral Sciences
Michael McCaffrey	VAPA
Michal Habib	MSE (Adjunct)
Miriam Golbert	MSE
Pamela Williams-Paez	Social & Behavioral Sciences
VACANT	Applied Technology
Other Members	
Dr. Omar Torres	Assistant Superintendent/Vice President of
	Instruction
Joan McGregor	BOT member

## **Study Abroad Advisory Council (SAAC)**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

Meets: 4:15pm – 5:15pm on Wednesday

Location: Zoom

Claudia Acosta	Faculty Chair
Faculty Appointments	
Faculty Member	School
Anh Nguyen	Counseling
David Andrus	SBS/Academic Senate President
Heather MacLean	Humanities
Michael McCaffrey	VAPA
Miriam Golbert	MSE
VACANT	Humanities
Other Members	
Andy McCutcheon	Dean of Humanities; Social & Behavioral
	Sciences

#### **Academic Senate Liaison Positions**

Note: List confirmed by Academic Senate on 9/7/2023

Faculty Appointments	
Faculty Member	Position
Alishia Kaminsky	Guided Pathways Student Services Liaison
Gary Quire	CTE Liaison
Jennifer Paris	ASCCC OERI Regional Lead for Area C & OER
	Liaison for College of the Canyons
Maya Succar (Adjunct)	ASCCC CAFYES Advisory Committee for
	2020/21
Wendy Brill-Wynkoop-	Legislative Liaison