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January 2024 ASCSU Chair's Report

Welcome from the land of the Chumash and Tongva.

The CSU Generative AI Committee (which the ASCSU has been urging to start since 2019) had its organizational meeting this month and will “develop guidelines and policy recommendations for the CSU on generative AI with a focus on teaching, learning, & scholarship; applications for enhanced productivity; information technology, security, and privacy; procurement and AI-enabled features in enterprise systems; and implications for copyright and intellectual property.” In November, representing the ASCSU, I spoke on a panel entitled “AI writing tools: Develop flexible academic policies and guidance” at the Inside Higher Ed/Times Higher Ed Student Success Conference at UCLA. Also representing faculty, I spoke on a leadership panel entitled “Doing the Work” at last semester’s CSU Graduation Initiative 2025 Symposium. You can watch [recordings from the symposium here](#).

With CSU Academic and Student Affairs, I will be co-presenting the information item on the 2021 Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act (AB 928) at the January 2024 CSU Board of Trustees meeting.

I am serving on the Civil Rights Oversight Committee which has had one initial meeting and will be meeting monthly. (The CSU has renamed its Title IX, Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation areas to “Civil Rights”.) I served on the recruitment committee for the Vice

Chancellor for External Relations and Communications. We have finished interviews and the new Vice Chancellor should be announced at the CSU Board of Trustees meeting at the end of January. I also served on the recruitment committee for the Associate Vice Chancellor for Civil Rights Programming and Services who should be announced soon.

As ASCSU Chair, I am chairing the Intersegmental Committee of Academic Senates (ICAS) this year (the CSU, CCC, and UC take turns chairing the committee; this year is the CSU's year). ICAS is the creator and editor of the California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) as required by the 2021 Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act (AB 928). In December 2023, ICAS approved the recommended changes to the Cal-GETC Standards and the [Cal-GETC Standards 1.1 document can be viewed here](#).

ICAS also approved [recommendations regarding community college Baccalaureate Degree Duplication Review](#) (AB 927 which indefinitely extended the community college baccalaureates pilot program specifically prohibits duplication with anything already offered in the CSU or UC).

On Sunday, January 21, I will be presenting to the CSSA Plenary our normal ASCSU update as well as our continuing conversation on AB 928 implementation. I also continue to serve as liaison to the California Faculty Association.

In addition to regular liaison reports, I am also serving on the Chancellor's Financial Aid Workgroup which will have an information item presented at the January CSU Board of Trustees meeting, the Honorary Degrees - Subcommittee of the Trustees' Committee on Educational Policy, and the System Budget Advisory Committee.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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