

#### **Our Mission**

At Ventura College, we transform students' lives, develop human potential, create an informed citizenry, and serve as the educational and cultural heart of our community. Placing students at the center of their learning experience, we serve a highly diverse student body by providing innovative instruction and student support, focusing on associate degree and certificate completion, transfer, workforce preparation, and basic skills. We are committed to the sustainable continuous improvement of our college and its services.

### **Our Vision**

Ventura College will be a beacon of learning—a source of inspiration and guidance—for our students and community.

#### **Our Guiding Principles**

At Ventura College we believe that students come first and all else follows. We strive to create a campus environment that fosters collaboration, communication, and mutual respect. We are committed to these Guiding Principles in all that we do:

- Embrace the strength of diversity
- Listen with intensity and compassion
- Communicate with integrity and patience
- Design student-centered solutions
- Spark self-confidence and a sense of discovery
- Pursue our vision and goals with passion

### **Council Charge**

The Department Chair and Coordinator Council provides a forum for the discussion of academic, operational and institutional issues. This is a faculty-driven body that makes recommendations to the Administrative Council.

## Ventura College

Department Chairs and Coordinators' Council 8/25/2020

ZOOM room | 3:00 – 4:30 PM

- Discussion Chairs only (3:00-3:30)
  - 1. Nominations for Faculty Co-Chair
  - 2. Open discussion among Chairs
- VPAA Joins the Discussion (3:30-4:30)
  - 1. Finals for Fall 2020
  - 2. Update on Spring scheduling including a commitment to three start-dates per term (18, 14, 8 week?).
- Adjournment

DCC COVID-19 format: The Faculty Co-Chair and Sebastian will co-host the DCC Zoom room. Seb will set up the meetings and Seb and Jen will wait in the waiting room during the faculty discussion portion of the meeting. Damien and Cathy will do the same when topics in their areas are agendized. Student Affairs, Business Affairs, and Academic Affairs will provide monthly updates in writing.

### Next Meeting Date: 9/22/2020

The Council agreed upon "Group Norms" to

- Stay focused on issues that will improve student learning.
- Remain **positive**, **professional**, and **respectful** of each other.
- Listen to, respect, and strive to understand all points of view
- **Respect the time of the council** by starting & ending the meeting on time.
- Work together to build consensus.

### Student Affairs Announcements

• TBA

# Business / Admin. Affairs Announcements

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Academic Affairs Announcements

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