

Budgetary Focus on Student Learning
Resolution 2009-15

Whereas, the Academic Senate is the organization whose primary function is to make recommendations with respect to academic and professional matters (Title 5, 53200) including processes for institutional planning and budget development;

Whereas, the State of California has cut funding to community colleges, Mt. San Antonio College is predicting a nine million dollar deficit for the year 2009-2010, and Mt. San Antonio College is currently reducing the number of sections of classes, reducing tutoring services, and planning even more reductions in the near future in an effort to balance the budget; and,

Whereas the reduction of sections, student access, tutoring, and any other service for students is in direct conflict with the college's Vision of providing "...access to quality, focusing on student success...", and the Core Values of "Student Focus" and "Lifelong Learning."

Resolved, that the Academic Senate of Mt. San Antonio College recommends that the College "Focus on Student Learning" with respect to institutional planning and budget development by re-prioritizing the college budget and planning processes so that the student learning experience is the first priority, that services that support student learning and student success is the next priority, and that campus needs that have the least to do with the student learning experience are the lowest priority; and,

Resolved, that the Academic Senate of Mt. San Antonio College recommends that the College re-prioritize the college's day-to-day operations so as to focus on the student learning experience first, services that support student learning and student success next, and the campus functions that have the least to do with the student learning experience last.

Academic Senate Executive Board

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