

Academic Senate

Cañada College

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Action Item

Final draft of the new Program Review process has arrived

Say good-bye to the Instructional Annual Program Plan as you know it

Over the course of this academic year, Academic Senate and IPC have been engaged in revising the Instructional Annual Program Plan/Comprehensive Program Review process. Among our guiding principles is the intention to make Program Review meaningful to faculty, useful to our planning bodies, and compliant with accreditation standards.

With input from college-wide surveys and discussions at ASGC and IPC, we believe we now have a significantly improved process and document. To learn more about the process we followed, please visit <http://www.canadacollege.edu/academicsenate/programreview.php>

Significant Changes

In our joint proposal to the college faculty, we

- retire the current Annual Program Plan and 6-year Comprehensive Program Review cycles;
- establish a biennial Program Review cycle (once every two years);
- establish an annual resource request cycle;
- establish a college-wide showcase of programs on a rotating 6-year cycle.

We encourage all faculty to examine the proposal and provide feedback to their ASGC division representatives. We anticipate a vote by ASGC on whether to adopt the proposal on April 24.

http://www.canadacollege.edu/academicsenate/1314/Program_Review_031314.pdf

What's left to do?

- ASGC intends to take the new Program Review form online. This will facilitate data entry and extraction of information for resource allocation and reporting processes.

- IPC is currently creating improved rubrics for evaluation and feedback of the Program Reviews.
- IPC and PBC are defining and streamlining the resource allocation processes so that your resource requests never “disappear into the void”.

The Senate in Action

What are we working on?

Speaker Honorarium

In March, ASGC approved a two-year pilot project to provide funding for classroom speaker honoraria. Instructors may apply to receive \$100 to be given as an honorarium for an external professional to speak on campus. Priority will be given to requests that benefit multiple sections or courses or are of interest to the wider campus community. The Senate has dedicated \$1000 for this spring semester, up to \$2000/academic year.

Release Time

Academic Senate continues work on creating a transparent process for requesting and evaluating non-instructional assignments (a.k.a. release time). The proposed Program Review form asks departments to consider the impact of, and need for, non-instructional assignments. Senate is currently working with IPC and the VPI to develop a formal application and review process.

Local Senate Awards

An ASGC task force is creating a series of faculty and staff awards that will allow us to recognize and honor the professional, academic, and institutional contributions of our colleagues.

Mark your calendar!

Upcoming Events

Hiring Proposals

College-wide Presentations and Discussion, March 18 and 25

ASGC Election

An election for Secretary and Treasurer will occur in April. The vote will be by electronic ballot and the final results will be reported on April 24. Send nominations to your ASGC division representatives and watch your inbox for more information.

ASGC Meetings

The Governing Council meets the second and fourth Thursday's from 2:10-4:10 p.m. in CIETL. Our upcoming meetings are Mar. 27, Apr. 24, May 8, May 22.

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