

Distance Education

Progress Report Summary Nov 2015

Goal #1: Broaden distance education course offerings to meet the needs of Cañada students.

We survey the online students every semester and during the summer. In this survey we ask what additional courses they need for their educational goals and what courses are they hoping to take online. In addition, we have used the list of planned course offerings for the OEI as a guide. Using this information, we have slowly increased our online offerings in a carefully planned and measured fashion. Summer continues to have the highest demand for online courses.

Goal #2: Develop a community of well---trained DE faculty members

Representatives from the College have been working in conjunction with representatives from CSM and Skyline to develop a district-wide professional development program for online education. It is proposed that this include a district-wide standard for readiness to teach online and use of the OEI rubric for evaluation of online courses. In addition, the proposed peer consultation process would develop a community of well-trained faculty across the district.

Goal #3: Increase student awareness, retention, and success

The DEAC continually monitors the progress of the OEI and their programs for student success. The OEI has developed student readiness modules that are available at no charge to the entire community. In addition, they have contracted with NetTutor for online tutoring services and non-OEI schools may participate within the contract. The OEI is currently working on test proctoring and online counseling. Progress will continue to be monitored and products and services adopted when available and appropriate.

Goals/Objectives that require attention:

Objective 1.1: Determine the overarching goals of the College in terms of distance education.

Goal #2: Need adequate support for faculty for the transition to Canvas and for any potential district-wide standard for online teaching.