

Faculty Co-Chair for Accreditation

The MJC Academic Senate seeks an individual willing to serve as Faculty Accreditation Co-Chair in preparation for the comprehensive evaluation due in October, 2011. All reports will be submitted to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, a division of Western Association of Schools and Colleges <http://www.accjc.org/>.

The accreditation standards primarily emphasizes an evaluation of whether the college has clearly stated student outcome goals and has developed measurement systems to evaluate whether these goals are being met.

The job is a very important one to the college and would involve the following:

- A. Begin this role on August 1, 2009 and serve a two-year term.
- B. Represent and regularly report to the Academic Senate.
- C. Work with the Administrative Co-Chair for Accreditation (Vice President of Instruction) to:
 1. Attend the State Academic Senate (ASCCC) Accreditation Institute and any other available workshops to become acquainted with ACCJC standards.
 2. Review all relevant publications by WASC/ACCJC in preparation for the comprehensive evaluation and any progress reports that are required.
 3. Review prior WASC/ACCJC reports.
 4. Work with the writing team to edit the comprehensive evaluation report which is due in October, 2011.
- D. Serve on the Accreditation and Institutional Effectiveness (AIE) Committee.
- E. Be available to meet with accreditation team(s) during site visits.

Desirable Qualifications:

1. Excellent oral and written communication skills.
2. Prior participation on previous accreditation committees.

Compensation:

Compensation for the Faculty Co-Chair will be 40% reassigned time, but will increase up to 100% release time to coincide with the writing phase of the self-study.

Deadline and Selection:

If you are interested in serving in this position, send a letter of application, resume, and supporting materials to the MJC Academic Senate office with a copy to the MJC President's office by Monday, March 16, no later than 1:00 p.m. The Academic Senate will select the Faculty Co-Chair at their Thursday, March 19, 2009 meeting.

Under Title 5 Regulations, one of the Academic Senate's functions is to "make recommendations to the administration of the college and to the governing board of a district with respect to academic and professional matters." One of the areas is "Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes, including self-study and annual reports." YCCD Board Policy 7510 states that this area is one in which the Board shall "rely primarily upon advice and judgment of the Academic Senate," and according to Title 5 this means that "the recommendation of the Senate will normally be accepted, and only in exceptional circumstances and for compelling reasons will the recommendations not be accepted."