



California State University | Stanislaus

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS INCORPORATED OF
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, STANISLAUS**

Resolution on Improvements Needed for Academic Advising

1. **WHEREAS:** The Associated Students, Inc., is the representative body and the official voice of the students at California State University, Stanislaus; and
2. **WHEREAS:** Students make substantial investments of both time and money in pursuit of their educational and career goals, with a strong and comprehensive advising plan crucial to the successful realization of these goals; and
3. **WHEREAS:** The November 12, 2015 report, *University Task Force on Advising Report and Recommendations*, made numerous recommendations to address the deficiencies in our advising system, however few (if any) of these recommendations have been adopted campus-wide; and
4. **WHEREAS:** The ‘Finish in Four Graduation Initiative,’ with its emphasis on obtaining a degree within four years, creates even more urgency to ensure that our students spend their college years as efficiently and productively as possible by receiving sound, comprehensive and thorough advising services; and
5. **WHEREAS:** Improving the advising services on our campus was a top priority voiced by students during the survey taken in conjunction with the 2018 ASI elections.
6. **RESOLVED:** To address widespread student concerns over the inadequacies of the current advising system, the Associated Students, Inc., make the following recommendations:
 - a. **Create Student Success Centers in all colleges, modeled after the Student Success Center currently in place within the College of Business (and to include):**
 - (1) A minimum of one professional advisor
 - (2) Provide useful and pertinent resources
 - (3) Provide internship opportunities
 - (4) Create and support student organizations and honor societies

(5) Provide mentorship

b. The following areas should be the primary focus of our Academic Success Center:

- (1) Establish an advising center for those with undeclared majors, Educational Opportunity Program, Promise Scholars and Pre-Nursing students
- (2) Coordinate a 'Pick Your Major' fair/event, for undeclared students
- (3) Provide information and recommendations on majors and major placement tests
- (4) Provide general resource information

c. Make academic advising mandatory for all first-year students:

- (1) All freshman and transfer students
- (2) Required - No opt-out option

d. Updated advising road map for all majors:

- (1) Ensure that all departments have updated road maps
- (2) Courses offered fall and/or spring semester only
- (3) Majors, minors, concentrations
- (4) Posted to department websites
- (5) Made available in departments
- (6) Provided at mandatory advising sessions
- (7) Mandatory yearly review to insure accurate and up-to-date

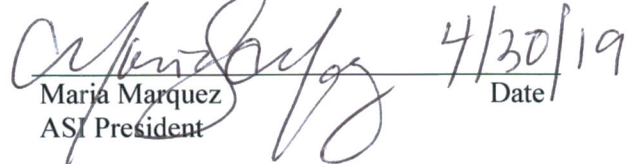
e. Mandatory training for all academic advisors – staff and faculty:

- (1) Provide regular professional development for all academic advisors
- (2) Ensure all academic advisors have most current and relevant information

7. **RESOLVED** that copies of this resolution be distributed to the President of Stanislaus State, Ellen Junn, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, Kimberly Greer, Vice President of Business and Finance, Darrell Haydon, Vice President of Student Affairs, Christine Erickson, Associate Vice President of Student Affairs, Paz Oliverez, Director of the Academic Success Center, Gabriela Nuno, Dean, College of Business Administration, Tomas Gomez-Arias, Dean, College of Education, Kinesiology and Social Work, Oddmund Myhre, Dean, College of the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, James Tuedio, Dean, College of Science, David Evans, Chair of the University Educational Policies Committee, Betsy Eudey

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Associated Students, Inc., at a regularly held meeting on April 23, 2019.


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Date 5/1/19


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ASI President
Date 4/30/19