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Page 1: I. Program Overview and Update

Q1

I.1 Department(s) Reviewed:

Physics and Astronomy

Q2

1.2 Lead Author

Miriam Simpson

Q3

I.3 Collaborator(s) - List any person that participated in the preparation of this report

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Q4

I.4 Dean/Manager:

Kim Dudzik

Q5

Respondent skipped this question

I.5 Program Update: Please summarize the changes, additions, and achievements that have occurred in your program since the last program review was submitted. To access your 2020 program review, visit the Program Review webpage.

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Q6

Yes, the assessment plan is on file, but work is needed to update the plan

II.A.1 Is your program following the assessment plan on file with the SLO Coordinator (or Outcome Assessment Committee)?

Q7

Respondent skipped this question

OPTIONAL: You may upload a copy of your SLO assessment plan for SLOAC here. If you have an Excel sheet, please convert to one of the supported files listed below before submission.

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Q8

You indicated either 1) the department assessment plan is on file, but work is needed to update the plan, or 2) the department has no assessment plan on file and/or the program is not currently following assessment plan II.A.1a Please describe how your program is adjusting (or developing) its assessment plan to ensure all courses are assessed within the assessment 4-cycle:

Having lost our only full-time instructor, we are trying to patch together a plan that can be easily assessed by the part-time faculty.

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Q9

II.A.2 Please provide an analysis of your Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) findings over the past year and what changes, if any, were made as a result. This may include, for example, changes to departmental practices, program improvements, and/or professional development opportunities over the past year. *If the department did not complete assessments during the COVID-19 public health crisis, please note that here and provide additional context.

We made changes based on our SLOs from last year in Spring, but did not assess during COVID-19.

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Q10

II.B.1. What progress has been made in your program to address the institutional goals set around student success and equity? (2019 Equity Plan) If qualitative or quantitative data is available, please summarize any findings.

In the last two years we have strategically hired instructors with an interest in equity and supported them with extensive training both through a Course Design Workshop funded by the STEM grant as well as EMTLI. Since this training is still in progress we do not have definitive results yet, however we have made progress on equity gaps in the last two years and were able to hold those numbers steady through the pandemic.

Q11

II.B.2 In light of the goals set in your program review, what are your plans to improve equitable student outcomes (success, retention, persistence, graduation, etc.) in the coming year?

Ideally we would hire a dynamic full-time instructor dedicated to the equity of our students to take on the immense work of closing these gaps through careful design and management of the curriculum, mentoring, student hours, and outreach.

We will also continue to implement skills and techniques from EMTLI and work with the part-time faculty to create student-centered lab classes. We are also reviving Geography 106 to meet the cultural diversity requirement.

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Q12

Yes

Do you offer distance education (online) courses? (excluding emergency remote teaching in 2020)?

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Q13

II.C.1 If there were differences in success rates for distance education (online) versus in-person sections of program courses in your last comprehensive program review, what has the department done to address these disparities? If online and in-person sections had comparable success rates, please describe what the program did to achieve that.

Since everything was online, we have nothing to compare yet.

Q14

II.C.2 What mechanisms are in place to ensure regular and effective contact? For resources, see Cuyamaca Guide to Best Practices in Online Teaching

Faculty are utilizing the speed grader feature in canvas as well as canvas messaging via the gradebook and email.

Page 8: III. Previous Goals: Update

Q15

Goal 1:

Develop and Implement TMC for Geography & GIS Course

Q16

In Progress - will carry this goal forward into next year

Goal Status

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Q17

Respondent skipped this question

Please describe the results or explain the reason for deletion/completion of the goal:

Q18

Respondent skipped this question

Do you have another goal to update?

Page 10: III. Previous Goals: Update continued

Q19

Action steps for the next year: If you are requesting resources in order to achieve this goal, please list them below as action steps and specify the type of request (e.g. submit technology request for new laptop computers).

This goal is currently on hold as we focus on adapting classes to online for the pandemic.

Q20

Yes

Do you have another goal to update?

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Q21

Goal 2:

Re-imagine Earth Science as part of an Environmental and Climate Science Pathway

Q22

In Progress - will carry this goal forward into next year

Goal Status

Page 12: III. Previous Goals: Update continued

Q23

Respondent skipped this question

Please describe the results or explain the reason for deletion/completion of the goal:

Q24

Respondent skipped this question

Do you have another goal to update?

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Q25

Action steps for the next year: If you are requesting resources in order to achieve this goal, please list them below as action steps and specify the type of request (e.g. submit technology request for new laptop computers).

This goal is on hold as we focus on updating our online offerings for the pandemic.

Q26

No

Do you have another goal to update?

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Q27

Respondent skipped this question

Goal 3:

Q28

Respondent skipped this question

Goal Status

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Q29

Respondent skipped this question

Please describe the results or explain the reason for deletion/completion of the goal:

Q30

Respondent skipped this question

Do you have another goal to update?

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Q31

Respondent skipped this question

Action steps for the next year: If you are requesting resources in order to achieve this goal, please list them below as action steps and specify the type of request (e.g. submit technology request for new laptop computers).

Q32

Respondent skipped this question

Do you have another goal to update?

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Q33

Respondent skipped this question

Goal 4:

Q34

Respondent skipped this question

Goal Status

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Q35

Respondent skipped this question

Please describe the results or explain the reason for deletion/completion of the goal:

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Q36

Respondent skipped this question

Action steps for the next year: If you are requesting resources in order to achieve this goal, please list them below as action steps and specify the type of request (e.g. submit technology request for new laptop computers).

Page 20: IV. New Goals

Q37

Yes

Would you like to propose any new goal(s)?

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Q38

New Goal 1:

Design more Equitable Courses

Q39

Student Validation and Engagement

Which College Strategic Goal does this department goal most directly support? (Check only one)

Q40

Please describe how this goal advances the college strategic goal identified above.

This directly advances the college's equity goals .

Q41

Please indicate how this goal was informed by SLO (student learning outcome) assessment results, PLO (program learning outcome) assessment results, student achievement data, or other qualitative or quantitative data (from any source):

Our program has significant equity gaps for both black and latinx populations. We would like to address these.

Q42

Action steps for this year: If you are requesting resources in order to achieve this goal, please list them below as action steps and specify the type of request (e.g. submit technology request for new computer hardware).

1. Full time faculty request - updating, designing, and revising new course structures requires a dedicated faculty member. Part-time faculty, even when enthusiastic, lack the time, resources, support, and staying power to make these changes in a timely and sustainable manner.
2. Instructor participation in EMTLI - we have multiple earth science instructors currently in this program and we would like to enroll any future hires.

Q43

How will this goal be evaluated?

We will look at equity gaps as the new class structure is implemented.

Q44

No

Do you have another new goal?

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Q45

Respondent skipped this question

New Goal 2:

Q46

Respondent skipped this question

Which College Strategic Goal does this department goal most directly support?

Q47

Respondent skipped this question

Please describe how this goal advances the college strategic goal identified above.

Q48

Respondent skipped this question

Please indicate how this goal was informed by SLO (student learning outcome) assessment results, PLO (program learning outcome) assessment results, student achievement data, or other qualitative or quantitative data (from any source):

Q49

Respondent skipped this question

Action steps for this year: If you are requesting resources in order to achieve this goal, please list them below as action steps and specify the type of request (e.g. submit technology request for new computer hardware).

Q50

Respondent skipped this question

How will this goal be evaluated?

Q51

Respondent skipped this question

Do you have another new goal?

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Q52

Respondent skipped this question

New Goal 3:

Q53

Respondent skipped this question

Which College Strategic Goal does this department goal most directly support?

Q54

Respondent skipped this question

Please describe how this goal advances the college strategic goal identified above.

Q55

Respondent skipped this question

Please indicate how this goal was informed by SLO (student learning outcome) assessment results, PLO (program learning outcome) assessment results, student achievement data, or other qualitative or quantitative data (from any source):

Q56

Respondent skipped this question

Action steps for this year: If you are requesting resources in order to achieve this goal, please list them below as action steps and specify the type of request (e.g. submit technology request for new computer hardware).

Q57

Respondent skipped this question

How will this goal be evaluated?

Q58

Respondent skipped this question

Do you have another new goal?

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Q59

Respondent skipped this question

New Goal 4:

Q60

Respondent skipped this question

Which College Strategic Goal does this department goal most directly support?

Q61

Respondent skipped this question

Please describe how this goal advances the college strategic goal identified above.

Q62

Respondent skipped this question

Please indicate how this goal was informed by SLO (student learning outcome) assessment results, PLO (program learning outcome) assessment results, student achievement data, or other qualitative or quantitative data (from any source):

Q63

Respondent skipped this question

Action steps for this year: If you are requesting resources in order to achieve this goal, please list them below as action steps and specify the type of request (e.g. submit technology request for new computer hardware).

Q64

Respondent skipped this question

How will this goal be evaluated?

Page 25: V. Resources Needed to Achieve Goal(s)

Q65

What resources is your program requesting this year to achieve the program's goal(s)?

Faculty Resource Needs,

Classified Resource Needs

Page 27: Final Check

Q66

Are you ready to submit your program review? If you would like to go back and review a section, select a section and click "Next."

I am ready to submit my program review