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REPORT TO

THE ACADEMIC SENATE

AP-020-156

Asian/Pacific Islander Studies Minor

Academic Programs Committee   Date: 04/03/2016

Executive Committee
Received and Forwarded   Date: 05/18/2016

Academic Senate   Date: 05/25/2016
                                                           First Reading

BACKGROUND: The Department of Ethnic and Women Studies has put forward a referral for name change of their existing minor in Asian American Studies for semesters.

RESOURCES CONSULTED:
Dr. Gilbert Cadena
Dr. Terri Gomez
Dr. Sandra Dixon
Faculty
Department Chairs
Associate Deans
Deans
Office of Academic Programs

DISCUSSION:
Before reaching the Academic Programs Committee, this program was reviewed by the College Curriculum Committee in the College of Education & Integrative Studies as well as the Dean of CEIS and the Office of Academic Programs. The Academic Programs Committee then conducted campus-wide consultation, as well as its own review of the program. There were initially some concerns from the GA department because the word "American" was mistakenly omitted from the original referral and the names of some courses were mistakenly entered, creating the impression of a change of academic focus.

In consideration of this issue, the AP Committee contacted Dr. Gilbert Cadena, EWS Department Chair, Dr. Terri Gomez, previous EWS Dept. Chair, and Dr. Sandra Dixon, EWS faculty, who gave the following response:

> The correct proposed new title of the minor is Asian and Pacific Islander American Studies. The title of the two courses within the minor should also be:
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> EWS 2020 = Asian Pacific Islander American Historical Experience
> EWS 2040 = Contemporary Asian Pacific Islander American Studies

Based on the new info, it is clear to the AP Committee that this is just a direct conversion with a small change to the name of the minor.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Academic Programs Committee recommends approval of the name change of the EWS minor to Asian and Pacific Islander American Studies.