

CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, POMONA  
ACADEMIC SENATE

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE  
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  
06/01/2016  
Second 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:

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.

## **Asian American Studies Minor**

Introduction to Ethnic Studies	EWS 1400	3
Asian Pacific Islander Historical Experience	EWS 2040	3
U.S. Women of Color	EWS 3900	3
Contemporary Asian Pacific Islander Studies	EWS 4040	3
9 elective units must be chosen in consultation with advisor		9
<b>TOTAL UNITS REQUIRED FOR MINOR: 21</b>		
<i>**NOTE: A total of 9 units must be upper-division level courses.</i>		

ROADMAP FOR THE MINOR IN [Asian/Pacific Islander Studies](#)

Year 1				Year 2				Year 3				Year 4				Total Units
Fall	Units	Spring	Units	Fall	Units	Spring	Units	Fall	Units	Spring	Units	Fall	Units	Spring	Units	
EWS 1400	3			EWS 2040	3	Elective #1	3	EWS 3900	3	Elective #2	3	EWS 4040	3	Elective #3	3	21
															Required Units	12
															Elective units	9
															TOTAL	21