



Achieving the Dream™



Welcome-Bienvenidos!

Equity Minded Student Guided Pathways

Fall 2017 ATD Coaches Visit

Our EQUITY Lens

Success for one is success for all. Cuyamaca College honors that we are privileged to be part of a diverse academic community committed to fostering and advocating **equity mindedness, inclusivity, civility, and social justice**. While we recognize that every one of us has biases, prejudice is learned and can be unlearned, and we reject all forms of discrimination against any member of our community. We actively work to **eliminate any achievement gaps** among different student groups and to promote a **campus culture of healthy diversity**.



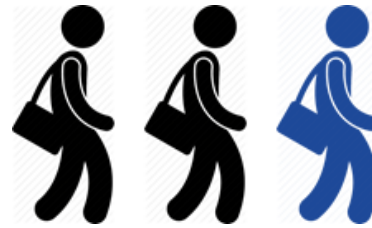
Who Are Our Students?

9,917

Students Enrolled
(Fall 2016)

Average Age:

27



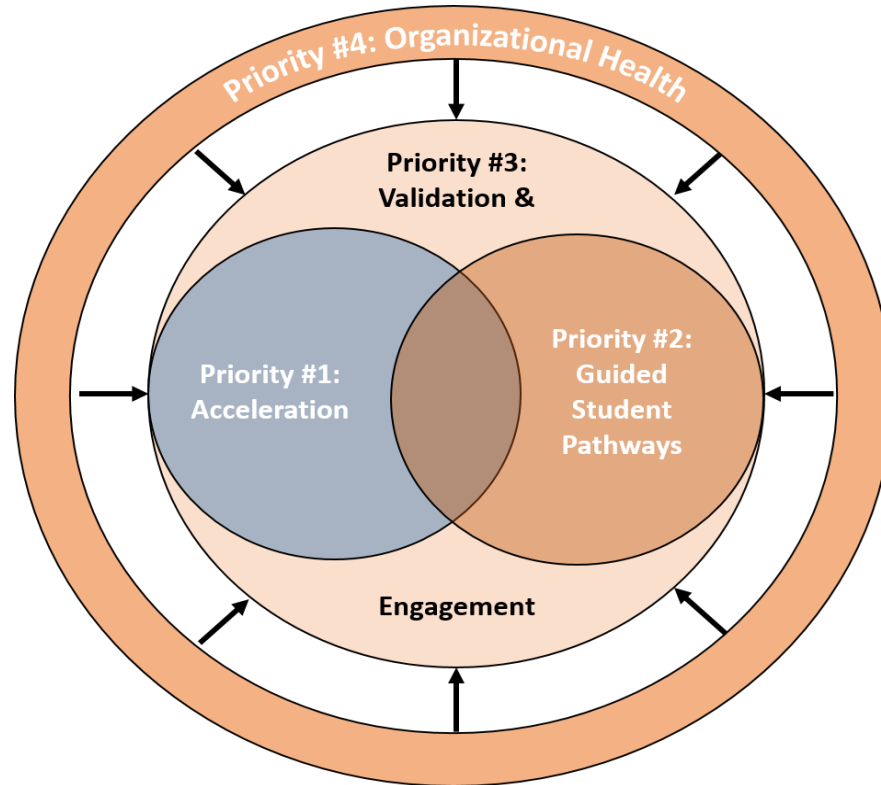
1 in 3
are
Latinx



54%
are Female



Advancing Our Strategic Goals: Creating **Equity Minded** Student Guided Pathways to Success





Guided Student Pathways: a **Student Equity** led systemic change to increase Student Success.





The **WHY**: Statewide

We need to do better by our students

- Statewide, only **48%** complete within six years*
- The median time to degree completion is **4.1 years****
- The average number of units earned by associate degree completers is **89 units**
 - The number of units earned is higher for students of color and low-income students

*[Student Success Scorecard \(2010/11 Cohort\)](#)

**[Campaign for College Opportunity \(2014\)](#)





The WHY: Cuyamaca

We need to do better by our students

- At Cuyamaca, only **42%*** complete within six years
- The average number of units earned by associate degree graduates **ranges from less than 60 units to 120 units**
- We have notable equity gaps on a number of indicators



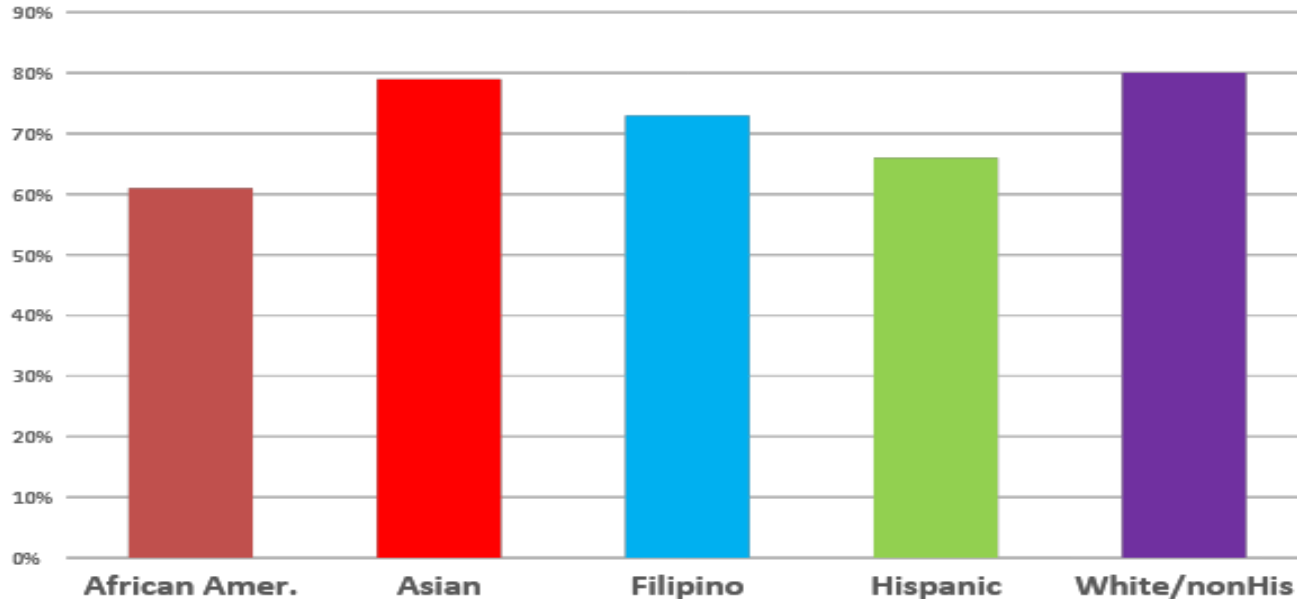
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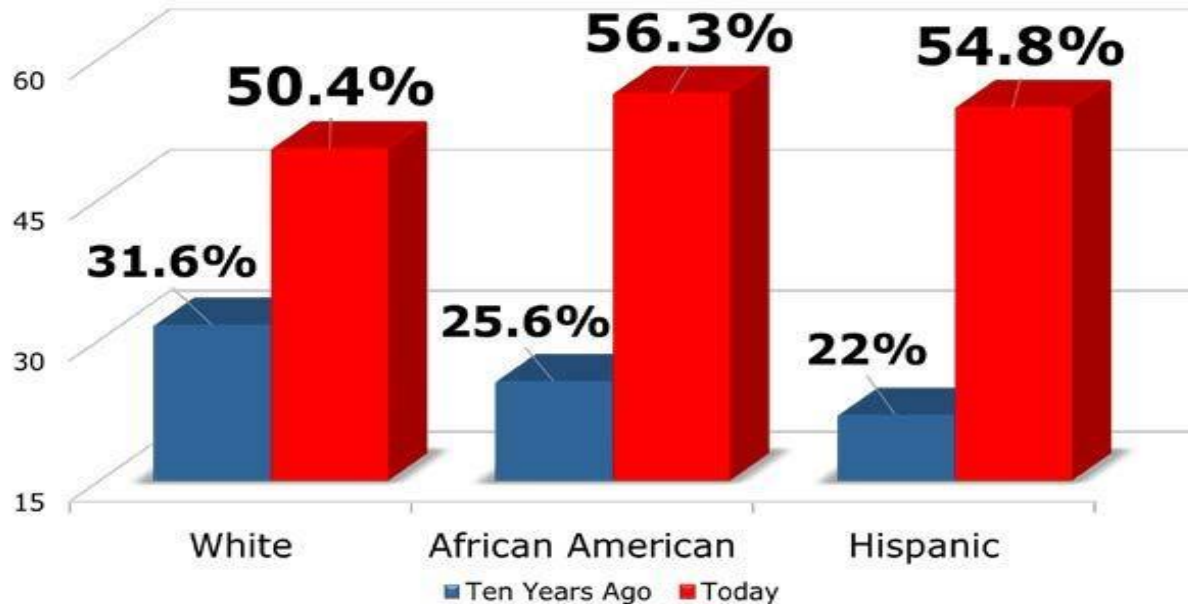
The WHY

We have equity gaps!

Cuyamaca Collegewide Success Rate by Ethnicity/Race
Fall 2016



Graduation Rates for Georgia State Universities, Before and After Adoption of Guided Pathways



Clarifying the Four Pillars



Breaking Down Each Pillar @Cuyamaca

Currently at our institution we are asking all our students to:

1. Choose a major, identify classes in it, earn a degree, prepare to transfer, get a job or continue education in chosen career field **(Clarify)**
2. Learn that we exist, decide to apply and complete application, assess, get advising, register for appropriate courses based on their starting point, start classes **(Intake)**
3. Participate in engagement efforts, seek support services; DSPS and or other categorical programs, academic advising, mental health, financial aid, and tutoring, feel engaged, validated and cared for by faculty and staff **(Support)**
4. Successfully complete classes, learn based on career choice, have engaging experiences relate to the curriculum **(Learning)**



Student Guided Pathway Pillar Design

Group Activity: *(10-15 minutes for each pillar and discussion after each)*

Answer the following within the understanding of our four pillars:

1. Discuss how we are currently serving our students in each pillar?
2. How can we restructure each pillar for our student to increase success, retention, and completion?

Please focus on each level:

- Practitioner
- Departmental
- College Wide





Stretch & Café Break!



Why Student Equity?

Student Equity = Student Guided
Pathways



Preparing to Measure Our Progress

Envisioning our CCC Pathways baseline (2015-16) cohort...



1,295

**First-Time
Students**



Only

1 in 3

Enroll Full Time



79%

**Success Rate in
College-Level
Courses**

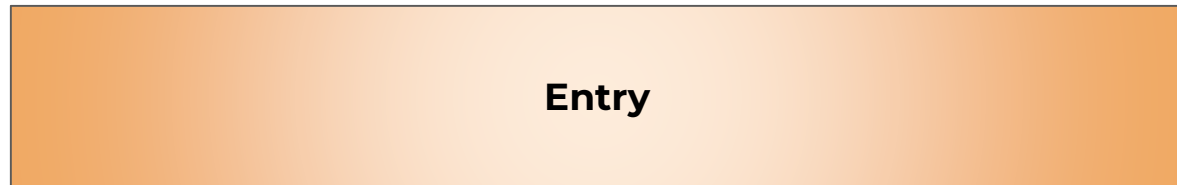


Equity Gaps



69%

**Persist to
Second Term**



Source: CalPASS Plus/Launchboard Guided Pathways Dashboard

Preparing to Measure Our Progress

Envisioning our CCC Pathways baseline (2015-16) cohort...



15%

**Complete
Transfer-Level
Math in First
Year**



9%

Complete **Both**
Transfer-Level Math
and English in First
Year



25%

**Earn 15+ Units
in First Year**

21%

**Complete
Transfer-Level
English in First
Year**



Equity Gaps



Progress

Student Voice

Inclusivity Framework and Implementation Model: Creating **Equity Minded** Pathways to Student Success

To achieve our desired institutional equity lens, we must be intentionally equity minded and race conscious in all our institutional approaches and at each level; practitioner, departmental, and college wide.

Thus the need for a holistic framework to guide our work and the implementation model to follow.

Double meaning of inclusivity: to appropriately meet the needs of all our students, it will take all of us.



Inclusivity Framework

Framework: informed by our **Equity Lens**

- Equity Mindedness
- Inclusivity
- Civility
- Social Justice
- Unlearning Prejudice



Equity Mindedness: *The perspective or mode of thinking exhibited by practitioners who call attention to patterns of inequity in student outcomes and who actively work to eliminate equity gaps in the classroom and programs. Central to equity mindedness is the concept of race consciousness, which embraces an awareness of one's own race and the race of others. In sharp contrast to "color-blindness," a race-conscious approach acknowledges the social and historical context of race in higher education and the impact of race on students' educational opportunities.*

Inclusivity: *an intention or policy of including people who might otherwise be excluded or marginalized, such as those who are differently-abled or those from historically underrepresented groups.*

Civility: *Respect and courtesy in behavior or speech and as a means to engage with, validate and learn from the various experiences, beliefs, perspectives and goals that our students bring with them.*

Social Justice: *Based on the concepts of human rights, race and gender equality, this concept can be defined as "the way in which human rights are manifested in the everyday lives of people at every level of society." The active correction of institutions and institutional practices that were inherently designed to marginalize specific groups of people.*

Unlearning Prejudice: *Human beings are all prejudiced in one way or another and have conscious and/or unconscious biases. In light of this, we are required to start from the root and go back to our psyches and beliefs to untangle the reasons why we act with bias in the first place. To do this, we need to identify what information we have acquired over the years that has formed our beliefs and made us unduly prejudiced and biased. The only way we can change our beliefs, behaviors, and actions is by dealing with the root of these biases.*



Our **Inclusivity** Implementation Model: Achievements and Opportunities

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Implementation Model

Implementation Model: driven by our **Inclusivity** Framework

- I. Professional Development for faculty and staff
- II. Curriculum and Student Support Services Delivery
- III. Student Engagement and Validation
- IV. Research and Inquiry
- V. Evaluation and Culture of Improvement



Professional Development: Achievements

Full-time (1.0) Professional Development Coordinator

Growth Mindset Workshops

Cultural Competency Workshop Series for Faculty and Staff.

Guided Pathways Presentation at Fall 2017 Convocation

Center for Urban Education (CUE) Workshop with SSEC on Equity-Mindedness

Over 90 Employees Earned CORA Certificates



Professional Development: Opportunities

CCEAL Workshops Focused on Student Equity

Leveraging Equity-Focused Research and Professional Development

****English Department Equity Research and Practitioner PD Pilot****

Course Redesign Institute

Walk in a Student's Shoes Activities

Workshops on Unconscious Bias



Curriculum & Student Support Services Delivery: Achievements

Culturally-Relevant Curriculum Pilot

Math, English, and ESL Course Redesign

Umoja Program Launched



Curriculum & Student Support Services Delivery: Opportunities

Social Justice Themed Learning Communities (ACE Model as example)

Equity-Focused Course Redesign

Aligned Curricular and Co-Curricular Learning through Multicultural Events



Student Engagement & Validation: Achievements

Early Outreach at Feeder High Schools

New Cultural Events on Campus (Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration; Cesar Chavez Celebration)

Peer Mentoring through Pathway Academy



Student Engagement & Validation: Opportunities

All-Staff Mentoring (e.g., Bakersfield College) and Success Coaching

Puente Program Learning Community

Campus Equity Conversations Events

Social Justice Resource Library



Research & Inquiry: Achievements

New Office of Institutional Effectiveness, Success and Equity and Campus-Based Researcher

Standard Disaggregated Program Review Data Reports for Instructional Programs

Equity Focus Groups

Program Review Data Workshops Focused on Equity



Research & Inquiry: Opportunities

Engaging Practitioner-as-Researcher Model

Workshops on Equity-Focused Inquiry

Training on Incorporating Equity-Mindedness into Assessment



Evaluation & Culture of Improvement: Achievements

Updated Equity Data Report and Discussion at SSEC

Development of Equity Framework and Guiding Philosophy

Incorporate Equity Mindedness into College Planning and Decision-Making Processes and Structures



Evaluation & Culture of Improvement: Opportunities

Equity-Focused Goals and KPIs Integrated into Program Review

Incorporating Equity-Mindedness into Committee Work and Goals

Conduct Scans of Campus Artifacts with an Equity Lens



Student Equity by Pillar

Group Activity *(10-15 minutes for each pillar and discussion after each)*

Identify how to incorporate our inclusion implementation model within our four pillars:

1. Create clear curricular pathways to employment and further education
2. Help students choose and enter their pathway
3. Help and support students stay on their path
4. Ensure that student learning is happening with intentional outcomes



Thank you!

