Curriculum Committee Goals

Goal 1: Provide the knowledge and training necessary to accomplish the approval and renewal of curriculum.
- Linked to Academic Senate Goals 1, 2, 3, 4
- Linked to BC Strategic Direction 1, 2, 4, 5

Goal 2: Address process issues that are relevant to the approval and renewal of curriculum.
- Linked to Academic Senate Goals 1, 2, 3, 4
- Linked to BC Strategic Direction 1, 2, 4, 5

Goal 3: Address technological issues that are relevant to the approval and renewal of curriculum.
- Linked to Academic Senate Goals 1, 2, 3
- Linked to BC Strategic Direction 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Bakersfield College Academic Senate Goals 2017-18 (proposed)

1. Focus on improving Student Success.
2. Foster a sense of community and improve collegial consultation & communication in college and district communities.
3. Embed Accreditation, Assessment, Curriculum, Equity and Program Review into the culture of the college.
4. Develop, focus, and review processes regarding new initiatives including Pathways & Dual Enrollment.

2015-2018 BC Strategic Directions

Student Learning: A commitment to provide a holistic education that develops curiosity, inquiry, and empowered learners.
Student Progression & Completion: A commitment to eliminate barriers that cause students difficulties in completing their educational goals.
Facilities: A commitment to improve the maintenance of and secure funding for college facilities, technology, and infrastructure for the next thirty years.
Oversight & Accountability: A commitment to improve oversight, accountability, sustainability, and transparency in all college processes.
Leadership & Engagement: A commitment to build leadership within the College and engagement with the community.
Charge

The Curriculum Committee is a standing governance committee that functions as a vital subcommittee of the Academic Senate. The primary purpose of this committee is to ensure that curriculum is consistent with the mission of the college, addresses the needs of students and the community, and meets the requirements of law and regulation. Curriculum includes programs of study (degrees and certificates) and individual courses. As such, it must support strong transfer and vocational programs and include a strong general education program as the foundation upon which students will build.

Committee Tasks

1. Oversees origination, modification, deletion, and review of all curriculum, including all elements of both programs of study (degrees and certificates) and individual courses in an ongoing systematic review process.
2. Independently evaluates requests for prerequisites and advisories in accordance with Title 5 regulation.
3. Independently evaluates requests for Distant Education in accordance with Title 5 regulation.
4. Evaluates requests for General Education and articulation.
5. Develops and implements procedures to assure an effective means of facilitating the curriculum review process while adhering to the requirements of law and regulation.

Scope

Faculty has primary responsibility for the origination, modification, deletion, and review of all curriculum in accordance with the mission of the college. In accordance with the requirements of the Brown Act, all Curriculum Committee agendas will be publicly posted 72 hours prior to regularly scheduled meetings. Recommendations for approved curriculum will be forwarded to the Kern Community College District Board of Trustees. Curriculum approved by the Board of Trustees will be forwarded to California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office.

Composition

- The committee is co-chaired by the Executive Vice President of Instruction (or designee) and Faculty Representative(s).
- Two administrative representatives
- Articulation Officer
- 27 Academic Senate representatives (24 department reps and 3 members at large)
  - Unrepresented department positions will fall to the department chair
- Assessment co-chair(s) liaison, non-voting member(s))
- One student Government Association Representative