

# Associated Students of Cerritos College

## IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

4/13/2022

Deputy Director Amy Parker introduced the following Resolution,  
Senator Poblete seconded the following Resolution

### A RESOLUTION

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#### Requesting Open Syllabi From Faculty JR-2122-07

**Whereas:** Many students choose the courses they take, particularly those available in the general education categories where there are significant options in contrast to major courses, by the requirements of the course and how it fits within their schedule and other activities; and

**Whereas:** Students often have very little information to work with when deciding on courses, with the primary sources being the books listed for classes on Schedule Plus, other students who have taken the course with the particular teacher, and RateMyProfessors; and

**Whereas:** Course conditions often change from semester to semester, which can invalidate some of the information shared via the aforementioned sources, giving students a false illusion of the requirements and activities within a course; and

**Whereas:** Book content may become irrelevant in a course or be completely irrelevant to begin with, rendering the books useless; the opposite scenario also applies, in which a book is required for a course but is not mentioned in the required books section of Schedule Plus via the eFollett Portal; and

**Whereas:** Students may have varying abilities to complete their course due to terms of the syllabi, which are not only restricted before registration but often until the first day of the course by which time drop penalties may be present for certain students depending on their enrollment type and ideal transfer institution; and

**Whereas:** These issues can be avoided if teachers make their syllabi publicly available ahead of time on Schedule Plus or their teacher pages, allowing all prospective enrollees of their courses to ensure their academic success before they enroll in the class;

**Resolved:** The Associated Students of Cerritos College requests that all faculty members make their syllabi available publicly on their teacher pages or by other means, with all relevant departments including Admissions and Records ensuring faculty ability to easily publish their syllabi such as by allowing links to syllabi to be posted in course subtext on Schedule Plus; and

**Resolved:** The Associated Students of Cerritos College requests that faculty members properly list their required books on their syllabi as well as on the Schedule Plus-linked eFollett Portal, or in the event this is not possible, give an obvious indication via the subtext of Schedule Plus that books are required; and

**Resolved:** The Associated Students of Cerritos College agrees to aid in informing students that syllabi are publicly available for the faculty members who make it so, and will make an effort to propagate this information by requesting the Director of Communications use all relevant forums to share this information.

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## Amendment History

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### Final Senate Action

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**Date of final vote: 04/13/2022**

**Senators Voting Aye: Alamgir, Cao, Criollo, Cuevas, Francos, Gomez, Lola, Ortega, Rocha, Trevino**

**Senators Voting Nay:**

**Senators Abstaining:**

**Vote Count: 10 Aye 0 Nay 0 Abstain**

### Committee Referral

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**Referred to Committee? Yes/No**

**Committee Performing Review (if applicable):**


**Committee Chairperson:**

**Committee Action:** (Report complete disposition, amendments, committee vote, or date of final action.)

### Presidential Action

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**Presidential Action** (Approved or Veto): \_\_\_\_\_

**Presidential Signature: Sandra Abundio**  **Date: 04/13/2022**

**If vetoed, state reason:**