

6. Updated Goals of the Program

The Political Science Department adopted a total of sixteen pedagogical goals tied to relevant weaknesses, opportunities or threats of the Program:

Weakness : Lack political science courses necessary to provide additional educational pathways and relevant transfer options

Goal(s)	Action to be taken	Timeframe	Assigned
1. Develop and implement an Intro to Chicano Politics course (POL 270)	a. Begin formal development process and submit to the Curriculum Committee for approval.	FA 2020	Falcon
2. Retool POL 250: Model United Nations to make the course transferable to the UC system	a. Research what Glendale and Golden West Community Colleges are doing differently with their MUN courses to make them UC transferable. b. Submit changes to the Curriculum Committee for approval.	FA 2020	Obazuaye
3. Retool POL 260: Public Policy & Law to make the course transferable to the UC system	a. Find a faculty member with a relevant background (Public Policy, Civil Rights, Law, etc.) willing to retool POL 260. b. Submit changes to the Curriculum Committee for approval.	FA 2022	Obasohan

Weakness: Lack of regularly available discipline-specific tutoring.

Goal(s)	Action to be taken	Timeframe	Assigned	
4. Recruit prospective tutors, especially for the POL 101	a. Continue to coordinate with the Student Success Center and Academic Support Center to make TAP fundable and to help provide students with discipline specific tutorial services	FA 2020	Obazuaye	

Weakness: A lack of teaching assistants.

Goal(s)	Action to be taken	Timeframe	Assigned
5. Work with the Division office to find the necessary resources.	a. Coordinate with the Student Success Center and Academic Support Center to make TAP fundable and to help provide instructors with classroom management and grading (i.e. to secure possible monetary compensation for Teaching Assistants).	FA 2022	Obazuaye

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Weakness: Large classroom enrollment sizes compared to all other California community college districts.

Goal(s)	Action to be taken	Timeframe	Assigned
6. Continue to rely on technology enhanced pedagogy to further improve student engagement, student success, and student retention.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Utilize and research various multimedia and educational technology (e.g. McGraw-Hill Connect, Pearson MyLabsPLUS, etc.) that provide engaging experiences that personalize, stimulate, and measure learning. b. Incorporate educational program (MyLabs, Connect, etc.) within Canvas. 	FA 2022	Obasohan
7. Offer multimedia content to improve student engagement using technology.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Develop and/or find multimedia content (e.g. short videos, websites) that emphasizes major themes, concepts, or key terms in political science to be used in in all political science courses. 	FA 2022	Obasohan
8. Expand departmental website and educational resources.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Work with relevant faculty and media serves to develop individual webpages for each 200 level course and integrate it with the department website. b. Purchase educational DVD's to be utilized in the classroom and/or held with the Department for possible student projects and reports. 	FA 2022	Mullins

Weakness: Student Learning Outcome (SLO's) for 200 level courses.

Goal(s)	Action to be taken	Timeframe	Assigned
9. Create and administer SLO assessments for all 200 level political science courses.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Review and rewrite an assessment tool for each 200 level course. b. Administer the SLO assessment tool for by Fall 2019 	FA 2020	Relevant Faculty.

Opportunity: Increase in POL sections.

Threat: Increasingly inconsistent adjunct hiring pool.

Goal(s)	Action to be taken	Timeframe	Assigned
10. Advocate for an additional full-time faculty member to better serve students.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Submit request for an additional tenure-track position with supporting documentation. 	FA 2020	Obasohan

Opportunity: Collaborating with local, state, and federal government officials.

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11. Encourage students to participate in internships with local, state, and federal elected officials whenever the opportunity arises.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Create and manage database of opportunities and contacts to be shared by all faculty members using Falcon Sync, Canvas, or the Department website. 	FA 2020	Falcon

Threat: Student disengagement towards learning and the lack of student preparedness.

Goal(s)	Action to be taken	Timeframe	Assigned
12. Continue to refer student to a variety of relevant workshops provided by the Student Success Center.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Develop a calendar and scheduling format using Falcon Sync, Canvas, or the Department website. 	FA 2020	Obasohan

Threat: Apathy towards the discipline of Political Science.

Goal(s)	Action to be taken	Timeframe	Assigned
13. Encourage the reconstitution of the Political Science Club.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Identify students interested in building new organization, including update of Constitution on file with Student Activities Office. b. Promote the Political Science Club in all courses once established. 	FA 2020	Falcon
14. Create posters advertising the major and individual political science courses.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Purchase and/or work with Media Services Department to create posters advertising the major and individual courses. 	FA 2022	Mullins
15. Foster campus wide projects emphasizing political issues, events, and/or holidays (e.g. Constitution Day, National Voter Registration Day).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Develop a calendar and scheduling format using Falcon Sync, Canvas, or the Department website. 	FA 2022	Falcon

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16. Attain administrative privileges for the Chair of the Program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Collaborate with the Dean and the I.T. Department to extend some administrative privileges to the Chair of the Program in order to install and efficiently update software on office computers and/or computers in typically assigned classrooms. 	FA 2020	Obasohan