

Associated Students of Cerritos College

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

04/09/2025

Senator Vega introduced the following Bill,
Senator Recillas seconded the following Bill

A BILL

Funding for Department of Black/Africana Studies SB-2425-15

- Whereas:** The Black/Africana Studies AA, AA-T, and two certificate programs are designed to provide Cerritos College's students with the opportunity to critically study the lived experience, life history, and culture of Black people. Undergirded by the three basic areas of focus of the discipline of Africana Studies – which are cultural grounding, academic excellence, and social responsibility – the programs are comprised of courses that meet the general education requirements for an associate of arts degree.
- Whereas:** The goals and objectives of the programs are to prepare students for transfer to a 4-year institution and a career in the human and social sciences, e.g., education, government and politics, management and industry, communication media, visual/performing arts, non-profit/advocacy, and entrepreneurial studies. Consistent with the institution's mission of providing all students with access to quality education, the programs will also prepare students for work with underrepresented populations and to make important contributions to the multicultural, global society, and world in which we live.
- Whereas:** Currently, the posters and pull sheets around campus for the Department of Black/Africana Studies are not updated to show the numerous amounts of courses and programs that Cerritos College either does or will offer in the Fall of 2025. The newest program that would be published and shown in the new posters is the Black/Africana Studies: Social Change and Social Justice Certificate, which will be readily available for student in Fall 2025.
- Whereas:** The Department of Black/Africana Studies seeks to purchase posters and new program pull sheets to promote their new and ongoing programs and for outreach events. Their request for new program flyers (pull sheets) and posters is so that we can inform students of our programs by distributing this information across campus and in the community (e.g., local high schools). The department has used previous funds from ASCC for posters to create campus displays in the past— please see the departments displays in the Student Union and Liberal Arts building
- Whereas:** The Department of Black/Africana Studies seeks to utilize \$250.00 in available ASCC funds for these purposes,
- Resolved:** The Associate Student of Cerritos College Senate approves allocating \$250.00 from the ASCC Senate Fund (600-03-015) account for the purchase of posters and pull sheets for the Black/Africana Studies Department.

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Amendment History

None.

Final Senate Action

Date of final vote: April 9, 2025

Senators Voting Aye: Rabia Ali, David Bridges, Kendra Carnes, Ritchie Chavez, Kaye De Ocampo, Elvin Garcia, Eshmom Haque, Joanna Kedir, Weston Milligan, Caleb Om, Francisco Peña, Diego Sanchez, Gustavo Sanchez, Andres Valdez, Alejandra Vega, Adia Reyes, Alexandria Rodriguez, Julio Sosa-Diaz

Senators Voting Nay: None

Senators Abstaining: None

Vote Count: 18 Aye, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain

Committee Referral

Referred to Committee? No

Presidential Action

Presidential Action (Approved or Veto): Approve

Presidential Signature:

Ashley Jimm

Date: April 11, 2025