

ACADEMIC SENATE – Sustainability Committee

Winter 2023

Due: Friday, March 24, 2023

MEMBERS	
Name	College/Unit
Anderson, Paul	CENG
Dao, Linh	CLA
Elliot, Dennis	Admin
Hockert, Regina	ASI
Kathuria, Ajay	OCOB
Palazzo, Anthony	Admin
Pearse, Erin	CSM
Peters, Jason (CH)	CLA
Reich, Jonathan	CAED
Singh, Kylee	Admin
Telesetsky, Anastasia	CAFES
Winslow, Dianna	Admin
Vacant	PCS

CHARGES		
Charge	Complete?	Status/Notes
Review and modify committee procedures and bylaws as needed. Ongoing	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Implement AS-787-14 (“Resolution on Sustainability”). Ongoing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>ASSC worked with the Registrar’s office to add a SUSCAT section to the CIM. This will streamline the committee’s SUSCAT review process, and it will hopefully grow SUSCAT, as it gives the course proposer an opportunity to submit their course for review and describe how the course meets the SLOs, rather than leaving it up to committee members to interpret course content that is often outside their areas of expertise.</p> <p>Work remaining for Spring 23 is to 1) review any Q2S course proposals that come into ASSC</p>
Implement AS-923-21 (“Resolution to Display Sustainability Courses in the Catalog”). AY 2022-23	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>Updated SUSCAT for the 2022-2026 Catalog. Work remaining on this charge for Spring 23 includes 1) one final round of SUSCAT course review using the prior review procedure and 2) Working with the Registrar to make progress on identifying courses in the Catalog</p>

Discuss updating the Sustainability Learning Objectives. Ongoing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reps. Dennis Elliot and Jonathan Reich are working on drafting revised SLOs for committee discussion in Spring 23.
Work with ASI, Facilities, and other campus stakeholders to connect sustainability education with co-curricular activities and campus life. Ongoing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kylee Singh (AFD) and Dianna Winslow (CTLT) are working to create a faculty fellow in CTLT. This position will work to facilitate the connections described in this charge in light of the imminent SLOs revisions. The position is supported with temporary funds provided by the Provost for improving the campus's STARS rating.
Assist university facilities staff and administrators in efforts to achieve a carbon-neutral, zero-emissions, AASHE-STARs platinum-rated campus. Ongoing	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Discuss impact of quarter-to-semester conversion on sustainability policy and draft revision plans as needed. Ongoing through conversion	<input type="checkbox"/>	See notes above on AS-787-14 and AS-923-21
Review and modify committee procedures and bylaws as needed. Ongoing	<input type="checkbox"/>	This row duplicates the charge stated in the first row.

NOTES:

See minutes attached.

Academic Senate Sustainability Committee

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

Tuesday, January 10, 2023, 10:10-11:00am

Zoom: <https://calpoly.zoom.us/j/84743800944>

Present: Telesetsky, Raynes, Singh, Reich, Dao, Peters, Hadley Willman (guest)

Meeting Agenda

- Approve minutes from 11/29/22 meeting
 - M/S/P
- Update on draft resolution for a faculty/lecturer liaison in Inclusive Sustainability
 - Put on backburner to pursue opportunity to fund position in OUDI
 - Need to integrate DEI and sustainability work around equity, participation, and justice
 - Position could spearhead CSU-wide Community of Practice similar to what Chico led last year
- Update on SUSCAT new course assessments
 - 4 of 6 colleges have responded so far with course reviews
 - Will send to Registrar next for inclusion in SUSCAT in time for our next meeting
- Update on SLOs assessments
 - Landing page created for SLOs assessments
 - Need instructors to volunteer 10 minutes of their class time to deliver assessment survey
 - Need to identify a representative sample of student responses
 - Who will be administering the survey?
- SLOs revisions
 - The SUSCAT process doesn't create curriculum; it assesses colleges and departments already-existing curriculum to find how they might fit sustainability or how sustainability might be added to what they already teach
 - Challenging task of identifying course content using CIM or course syllabi without much detail
 - ASSC does not have much influence to determine where curriculum goes
 - New SLOs would need to be in place by this summer for Q2S to be an opportunity to infuse sustainability across curriculum
 - Updating SLOs will entail updating course approval process in SUSCAT
 - Course assessment process needs to be improved
 - SLOs need to support a cultural shift around sustainability in the curriculum – communities of practice are the most impactful way to do it

Academic Senate Sustainability Committee

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

Thursday, February 9, 2023, 12:10-1:00pm

Zoom: <https://calpoly.zoom.us/j/82584485620>

Meeting Agenda

- Approve meeting minutes from 1/10/23
 - M/S/P
- Approve SUSCAT course reviews
 - Discussed each colleges SUSCAT reviews
 - A few questions raised regarding the assessment of HLTH 410 as the subject matter fell outside of the committee's expertise
 - After full committee discussion, it became clear that HLTH 410 is a valuable sustainability-related course
 - Forwarding SCM 316, BRAE 220, HLTH 410, and ENGL 316/315*
 - **Note: this course was assessed and discussed via email following the meeting*
- ASSC Chair described the current process for SUSCAT course review and the ensuing problems the committee repeatedly encounters with this process
 - ASSC Chair reviews "Course Summaries" on the Catalog Proposals page and "Updates to the Catalog" page: (<https://registrar.calpoly.edu/status-proposals> and <https://catalog.calpoly.edu/updatestocatalog/>)
 - ASSC Chair sends new courses to each college rep for review and assessment using the SUSCAT rubric
 - ASSC convenes to review and approve SUSCAT additions
 - ASSC Chair sends approved courses to Academic Senate for addition to the Consent Agenda
 - Registrar monitors AS Consent Agendas for any new SUSCAT additions and updates Schedule Builder and points students to suscat.calpoly.edu
 - ASSC (Kylee) updates suscat.calpoly.edu
- ASSC Chair then identified the problems with this process
 - Lots of room for human error
 - Missed opportunities to capture some courses
 - Difficult for reps to see how sustainability works in some courses
 - Leaves it up to the ASSC to interpret course content, which sometimes is outside our areas of expertise
 - SLOs have no "teeth" in the curriculum proposal and approval process
- ASSC Chair then unveiled proposed changes to the SUSCAT review process
 - Proposal to make ASSC a part of the CIM workflow
 - Committee discussed draft language to forward to Registrar for approval and incorporation into CIM
- Update on revision of the SLOs

Academic Senate Sustainability Committee

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

Thursday, March 2, 2023, 12:10-1:00pm

Zoom: <https://calpoly.zoom.us/j/87352151961>

Meeting Agenda

- Approve meeting minutes from 02/09/23
 - M/S/P
- Updates and announcements from Kylee
 - Looking for volunteers to serve on Sustainability Award review committee
 - Ajay volunteers to serve on review committee
 - Working on STARS report—needs access to course designations; is there still a green leaf for designating SUSCAT courses?
 - Possibility for AFD to help underwrite costs of adding SUSCAT filter to Schedule Builder if it's a long-term fix
 - Baker-Koob Award committee trying to include sustainability and diversity as part of review criteria
- Updates on integrating SUSCAT review into CIM
 - The committee has three charges that are all interrelated in this effort
 - Implementing AS-787-14 (growing sustainability in the curriculum)
 - Making plans for including sustainability in Q2S curriculum conversion
 - Updating the SLOs
 - Chair will be sending out new courses for college reps to assess for spring
 - Need to establish an internal process for responding in a timely manner to CIM proposals that come to us
 - Discussion of the need to revise the rubric and the SLOs to better assess courses in CIM
 - Need to articulate “sustainability principles”
 - Dennis Elliot and Jonathan Reich will take the lead on drafting new SLOs and bring to ASSC spring meeting
- ASSC Chair for AY 2023-24
 - Statement of Interest due 3/10
 - Current chair will be on sabbatical for F23
 - Possibility that Jonathan Reich can return to fill in during F23
 - Possibility that faculty fellow will be funded in CTLT who can also help pick up some of the slack
- Two big pieces of business for spring
 - Will be scheduling spring meetings soon
 - start process for revising SLOs—this will likely take us through next AY
 - Getting SUSCAT to appear somehow in Schedule Builder