Draft Resolution on Auto Enrollment – San Diego Miramar College

Whereas the process for obtaining permission numbers from instructors during the 1st week of the semester is challenging, cumbersome, stressful and confusing for students.

Whereas searching for an instructor’s email is not readily accessible to students, therefore prevents them from being able to potentially enroll in a course in a timely manner, and potentially jeopardizing their educational plan track.

Whereas the majority of courses offered are currently online, and students do not have the option of physically “crashing” a course to request a permission number or go to instructors’ office hours.

Whereas the current system of emailing professors is antiquated, inefficient, and takes away from instruction and student services during the first two weeks of the semester.

Whereas current practices for adding courses after the start of the semester are consequently inequitable and create barriers to both access and enrollment.

Whereas our colleges desire and need an increase in enrollment.

Be it resolved, as early as spring 2023, during the first week of the semester for 16 week courses, we urge immediate implementation of an auto-enrollment (traditional add/drop) period on a first come, first serve basis until the class is full without the need for instructor approval and during which permission numbers (add codes) will not be distributed. Permission numbers will resume distribution per instructors’ discretion during the 2nd week of the semester, by the add/drop deadline.