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Dear Colleagues,

The Region 10 Articulation Officers express our strong support for the inclusion and affirmation of Filipino Studies as a vital component of the Asian American and Pacific Islander (API) discipline.

It is based on the long standing roots of Filipino Studies in the CA Community Colleges; its history of social, political, and cultural service to the community; existing California State University (CSU) and University of California (UC) pathways via certificates, minors, and specializations; its role in strengthening and implementing CA's equity laws and goals (AB 1460 CSU Ethnic Studies (ES) General Education(GE) requirement and the CA Title 5 CCC ES GE requirement); and a need to honor and distinguish the unique populations contributing to API community overall that we support this application.

Additionally, we urge the full ASCCC body to work with our CA public university partners to update and broaden their scope of review of transfer general education curriculum to include the Filipino Studies subject area prefixes as recognition of the unique identities within the AAPI community.

Thank you for your consideration and support of this important cause.

Sincerely,

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