

Ethnic Studies Requirement Development Timeline

Date	Milestone
January 2014	Chancellor White establishes the Task Force on the Advancement of Ethnic Studies.
January 23-24, 2014	ASCSU resolution AS-3164-14 endorses the efforts of the newly formed task force and encourages campuses to review their Ethnic Studies programs.
January 31, 2014	The first of 23 meetings of the task force over two years.
January 2016	The task force releases its report and recommendations.
July 13, 2016	Chancellor White's public response to the task force report states that recommendations made regarding curriculum and faculty appointments are to be left to the individual campuses. He calls for campus presidents to report to him on progress made on recommendations in the report.
December 1, 2017	Chancellor White provides an update detailing activities the campuses have accomplished based on the task force report recommendations.
January 25-26, 2018	ASCSU resolution AS-3318-18 opposes AB 2408 (Weber) that would require a 3-unit course in Ethnic Studies for graduation from the CSU. This bill did not move forward at the request of the author.
May 10-11, 2018	ASCSU resolution AS-3331-18 affirms the support for the work accomplished by the task force.
March 14-15, 2019	ASCSU resolution AS-3365-19 states the opposition to AB 1460 (Weber).
May 16-17, 2019	ASCSU resolution AS-3380-19 affirms commitment to Ethnic Studies curricula in the CSU but opposes legislative intrusion into the curriculum.
September 2019	The ASCSU discuss an Ethnic Studies requirement in September 2019 with input from ethnic studies faculty.
	ASCSU resolution AS-3397-19 asks the campuses to submit replies to a survey on implementation of an Ethnic Studies system requirement.
November 2019	The ASCSU receives 16 responses to their survey from campus senates.
November 2019	The Chancellor's Office updates the 2017 list of activities the campuses have accomplished on the recommendations of the task force.
January 2020	ASCSU resolution AS-3403-19/AA supports a 3-unit requirement for an Ethnic Studies course. This resolution is submitted to the Chancellor's Office as a recommendation.
February 2020	The Chancellor's Office sends a survey to campus presidents, academic senates and student associations seeking feedback on ASCSU resolution AS-3403-19/AA . It receives responses from all 23 campuses, as well as 42 individual responses from faculty and students.
March 19-20, 2020	ASCSU resolution AS-3419-20 states opposition to AB 1460 (Weber).
March 2020	Based on campus feedback, Executive Vice Chancellor Dr. Loren Blanchard sends a memo to the ASCSU proposing a 3-unit Ethnic Studies, Diversity and Social Justice requirement within CSU GE Breadth. The ASCSU discusses this proposal and, after additional discussion among a smaller group of ASCSU members, agrees to compromises within it.
	ASCSU resolution AS-3420-20/AA advances ethnic studies proposal compromises and incorporates some changes recommended by Dr. Blanchard.

April 2020	The Chancellor’s Office meets twice with the ASCSU Executive Committee to review a potential proposal to be presented to the Board of Trustees. The Executive Committee contends they do not speak for the ASCSU and would not comment on the proposal.
May 2020	The Ethnic Studies and Social Justice proposal, which involves an amendment to Title 5, is posted as part of the May CSU Board of Trustees agenda. The presentation is later presented as an information item by the Chancellor’s Office.
	At the May 2020 ASCSU Plenary, the ASCSU chooses not to take a position on the proposed Title 5 change.
July 2020	The Ethnic Studies and Social Justice proposal, which involves an amendment to Title 5, is posted as part of the July CSU Board of Trustees agenda. The presentation is later presented as an action item by the Chancellor’s Office and is approved.
August 2020	AB 1460 (Weber) is signed into law by California Governor Gavin Newsom requiring a 3-unit course in Ethnic Studies for all CSU undergraduates by the 2024-25 academic year.
September 2020	A revised proposal, removing “Social Justice” to the Title 5 amendment, is posted as part of the September CSU Board of Trustees agenda as a consent item. It is moved to discussion and presented as an information item.
	The ASCSU is asked to amend/update core competencies related to the new Ethnic Studies requirement as outlined in ASCSU AS-3403.
October 2020	The Chancellor’s Office distributes a draft executive order regarding proposed implementation to the new requirement to all 23 campuses requesting feedback.
	Representatives of the Ethnic Studies Council, ASCSU and the Chancellor’s Office meet twice to discuss updates to core competencies, questions concerning placement in GE and other items.
	Discussion takes place on the core competencies at the ASCSU interim meeting (Academic Affairs Committee).
	Meetings between Chancellor’s Office staff and various campus academic senates are held.
	Meeting among CCC, CSU, UCOP and ASSIST discuss implementation.
	Chancellor’s Office staff makes presentation to CSSA members.
November 2020	Discussion of revised core competencies at ASCSU meeting (Academic Affairs Committee) with Ethnic Studies representatives.
	ASCSU plenary passes resolution in support of revised core competencies.
	An amendment to Title 5 to align with AB 1460 language is presented as an action item at the November CSU Board of Trustees meeting and is approved.