

**Academic Senate
of the
California State University**

**Appreciation to California State Student Association for Support
of Student Success**

- 1. RESOLVED:** That the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU) deeply appreciate the passionate opposition to changing CSU General Education (GE) Breadth which California State Student Association (CSSA) Governing Board members expressed at the 2024 February and March plenaries; and be it
- 2. RESOLVED:** That the ASCSU acknowledge the many stories of how courses in Lifelong Learning and Self Development (Area E) helped CSSA Governing Board members persist in their academic pursuits; and be it
- 3. RESOLVED:** That the ASCSU recognize the courage of CSSA leaders in articulating students' understanding of CSU GE Breadth's effectiveness; and be it
- 4. RESOLVED:** That the ASCSU agree with CSSA leaders' expressed belief that the CSU Board of Trustees must fully examine data on the impacts of curricular change before rendering a decision on the upcoming March 2024 Title 5 change to CSU GE Breadth proposed by the Board of Trustees' Education Policy Committee; and be it
- 5. RESOLVED:** That the ASCSU appreciate the CSSA leaders' support of faculty voice; and be it

6. RESOLVED: That the ASCSU thank the CSSA for voting down a proposal to support changes to CSU GE Breadth and the direction of the Governing Board to explain to the Board of Trustees the sentiments expressed at the recent plenaries; and be it

7. RESOLVED: That the ASCSU distribute this resolution to:

CSU Board of Trustees
CSU Chancellor
CSU campus Presidents
CSU campus Senate Chairs
CSU campus Senate Executive Committees
CSU Provosts/Vice Presidents of Academic Affairs
CSU campus articulation officers
California Faculty Association (CFA)
California State Student Association (CSSA)
CSU campus Associated Students, Inc. organizations
CSU Emeritus and Retired Faculty & Staff Association (CSU-ERFSA)
Academic Senate for California Community Colleges
Academic Senate of the University of California
Assemblymember Mark Berman

Rationale

The California State Student Association (CSSA) Governing Board met to discuss in [February 2024](#) and act in [March 2024](#) on a proposal titled: *Support of Proposed Title 5 Changes to CSU General Education Requirements*. During discussion at both meetings, the Governing Board members overwhelmingly vocalized concerns over the proposed changes to CSU GE Breadth, specifically the reduction in Area C and the deletion of Area E. Some CSSA leaders who spoke, attributed the student success course they took, which was embedded in Area E, as the course that saved them from dropping out and leaving the CSU. Members also asked for data on implementation and acknowledged the

ASCSU's positions on the Board of Trustees Education Policy Committee's proposed changes to CSU GE Breadth. At the March CSSA plenary, a strong majority of members on the Board of Governors voted down the motion.