

The EMC Held its first meeting Oct 2 2020

- We updated our committee charge, the committee will vote on it soon.
- Leo Ocampo (SW program manager) spoke on 8 + 8 scheduling
 - This is having two back to back 8 week sessions in a semester
 - Some faculty are teaching 3 courses in one session; 2 or 3 in the second
 - Discussion included the issue of lower FTES with non-16 week sessions; increased success and retention (with courses offered this way to date); a need for clarification with the union; courses and programs that may not be well-suited for 8+8 (with 4-5 units courses), counseling's role; and financial aid.
 - Counselor's plan on signing up students for both 8 week sessions at once.
 - For Financial Aid – students must sign up for both this semester
 - Leo thanked the committee for the feedback.
- There will be a presentation/workshop on 8+8 scheduling in late October.
- Steve Watkins shared that there will be an express enrollment campaign for Late Start classes Oct. 15th (maybe 1-5?).
 - Contact Kylie in the Outreach office if you are interested in helping out
 - Marissa noted that many students dropped a course and need one this semester.
- Marissa shared that counselors are focused on getting students enrolled in the 'golden 4', and that student ed plans must include the whole spring (both 8 week sessions).

Next meeting is Oct. 22nd