

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

VISION

CSUSM is a dynamic university with a global vision. Guided by a perspective that transcends borders, Academic Affairs serves the University community by creating a culture of academic excellence that fosters diversity, promotes innovation and sustains intellectual excitement.

Through shared leadership, Academic Affairs

- Challenges intellectual, geographic and technological boundaries.
- Engages students as active participants in their education.
- Empowers every member of the academic community to contribute fully to the vision with passion and purpose.
- Supports active scholars, artists and practitioners as they create effective teaching-learning pathways.
- Expands University engagement with community, business and institutional partners.
- Establishes CSUSM as the university of first choice for students.

MISSION STATEMENT

Academic Affairs prepares students to be life-long learners and productive contributors to a global society by helping them acquire knowledge and develop skills and values.

CORE VALUES

Academic Affairs upholds the University's core values:

- Intellectual Engagement: learning, teaching, discovery, and application of knowledge
- Community: shared commitments to service, teamwork, and partnership
- Integrity: respect, honesty, trust, fairness, academic freedom and responsibility
- Innovation: creativity, openness to change, flexibility, responsiveness, and future focus
- Inclusiveness: individual and cultural diversity, and multiple perspectives

More specifically, the core values that drive our approach to decision making, problem solving, and resource allocation are:

- All students are given the opportunity to reach their full academic/educational potential through the CSUSM academic/educational experience.
- Research and creative activity are essential to high quality teaching.
- High quality teaching is essential to high quality learning.
- Students are active participants in the learning process.
- Learning is transferable into multiple real world settings.

GOALS

- Create and implement innovative approaches and programs that add value to our diverse communities.
- Expand learning opportunities bridging theory and practice.
- Develop relationships that connect CSUSM to external communities and organizations.
- Support faculty research and creative activity to create a community of scholars that collaborates with a community of learners.

CSUSM Academic Senate Meeting Schedule 2008/09

Academic Senate

(Unless otherwise noted, meetings are held in COM 206, begin at 1 p.m., and run until approximately 2:50 p.m.)

Fall 2008

August 21	Convocation (Time/Location TBD) New Senator Orientation (2:15 - 3:30 p.m. – Location TBD)
September 3	Senate Meeting
October 1	Senate Meeting
November 5	Senate Meeting
December 3	Senate Meeting

Spring 2009

January 15	Spring Assembly (9 – 10:30 a.m. – location TBD)
February 4	Senate Meeting
March 4	Senate Meeting
April 8	Senate Meeting
April 22	Senate Meeting
May 6	Joint Senate Meeting (with newly elected 09/10 Senators)

Executive Committee

(The EC meets from 12 - 2 p.m. in KEL 5207. On Senate meeting days, the EC meets from 12 – 12:50 p.m. in COM 206.)

Fall 2008

August 19	Planning Meeting (11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. – Location TBD)
August 27	
September 3, 10, 17, 24	
October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	
November 5, 12, 19	
December 3	

Spring 2009

January 21, 28	
February 4, 11, 18, 25	
March 4, 11, 18, 25	<i>(Spring Break is March 30 – April 4)</i>
April 8, 15, 22, 29	
May 6	

All members of the CSUSM faculty are encouraged to join us. *Only elected Senators may vote.*

Because the Senate is not a governing board, meetings of the Academic Senate are not subject to the Brown Act. The decision to allow press/public into an Academic Senate meeting may be made by the Senate.

Approved by the Senate Executive Committee on February X, 2008.