

PROPER NOTATION OF OER/ZTC ICON IN COURSE SCHEDULES

Whereas, Senate Bill 1359 requires California Community Colleges to include a symbol/logo/icon in the online campus course schedule for courses that exclusively use digital course materials that are free of charge to students and therefore not required to be purchased; *and*

Whereas, the Academic Senate has worked to support efforts to increase student access to high-quality Open Educational Resources (OER) and Zero Cost Textbooks (ZTC) to reduce the cost of textbooks and supplies for students in course sections and the Office of Instruction has not yet adopted a means of publishing OER/ZTC icons in the course schedule to align with faculty adoption of OER/ZTC materials; *and*

Whereas, courses that are advertised with Open Educational Resources (OER) or Zero Cost Textbooks (ZTC) reduce cost barriers for students and promote greater equity; **be it THEREFORE resolved**

RESOLVED, that the Academic Senate will work in collaboration with the Office of Instruction to ensure that courses utilizing OER/ZTC are designated by a symbol/logo/icon representing course materials that are free of charge on course scheduling systems.

Submitted by: The Academic Senate Executive Board

Action:

Approved by Academic Senate: April 6, 2023

Presented to College Council:

Forwarded to Board of Trustees: