# THE 2014 STUDENT EQUITY PLAN:

How'd that happen?

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## TIMELINE REVIEW

- November 2013: The Student Equity Workgroup was created
- Fall 2013-Winter 2013: Initial work, namely analysis, on the Student Equity Plan began
- March 11, 2014: The State released the final draft of the Student Equity Plan instructions
- April 2014: The Office of Research completed and released the data required by the State
- April-May 2014: The Student Equity Workgroup completed the analysis and selected goals and activities for the Student Equity Plan

### DIFFERENCES IN APPROACH

2010 Student Equity Plan	2014 Student Equity Plan
• State expectations: shelf document	• State expectations: actual plan with specific actions
Written by VP with input from committee	<ul> <li>The SEW worked collaboratively to generate all analysis and determine goals (although the actual document was still written by a tri- chair).</li> </ul>
• 14 pages long	• 73 pages long (a March 11 surprise)
• Included 10 charts and tables	• Includes 130 tables

- The workload *quintupled* midyear.
- Thanks, California!

# So, WHAT IS THE PLAN?

- Increase course success rates for African American, Latino and Filipino/Pacific Islander students by 3% within 3 years (over fall 2013 figures).
- Do a lot of research!
- (We have a lot of questions, but we need answers before we can make plans.)

# THAT'S IT?!? WHY NOT THINK BIGGER?

- Wait, are you publicly committing to join the committee and do some of this work?
- That was not a rhetorical question, said the English professor.
- Here's your real answer:

# WHY JUST FOCUS ON COURSE SUCCESS?

Indicators	Synopsis
Access	<ul> <li>No real disproportionate impacts</li> <li>Larger questions about declining enrollment warrant further research.</li> </ul>
Course completion	<ul> <li>We have the tools right now to see an immediate impact. This engages the entire campus and provides an opportunity to look at instruction and student services.</li> </ul>
ESL and Basic Skills completion	<ul><li>Significant programmatic changes.</li><li>More research is needed</li></ul>
Degree and certificate completion	• Disproportionate impacts but starting with course completion first.
Transfer	• AA-T degrees will likely change our transfer rates.

### BUT WE MUST ADDRESS 2010...

#### **2010 Goals:**

- 1. Make student equity a part of the program review and resource allocation processes;
- 2. Establish benchmarks for hiring administrators, faculty, and classified staff;
- 3. Establish a Student Equity Office in the same vein as the Office of Multicultural Relations that existed a number of years ago;
- 4. Integrate student equity goals into the college and district strategic plans;
- 5. Establish periodic external evaluation of equity efforts, using members of the outside community; and 2010 Student Equity Report 4
- 6. Undertake difficult dialogues campuswide on race, gender, disability, sexual orientation in order to maintain equity as an important campus goal.

#### **2014 Goals:**

- 1. Achieve a three percent (3%) increase in course completion success rates for African American, Hispanic/Latino and Filipino/Pacific Islander students over fall 2013 figures.
- 2. Conduct research on:
  - 1. Course success rates
  - 2. Probation rates
  - 3. Sequence completion rates in ESL and Basic Skills courses