

EOPS Club Constitution

We, the students of EOPS at Santa Barbara City College, with encouragement and approval of the EOPS Club Advisor, establish student participation

in program development, insure the development of helping and learning skills, provide opportunities for the development of student leadership, organization, and evaluation skills, promote the goodness of mutual awareness, understanding and growth among faculty, students, and staff and secure the benefits of equal educational opportunity to ourselves and all students regard- less of age, sex, ethnicity or religious belief, do hereby ordain and establish this Constitution for the EOPS Club of Santa Barbara City College.

ARTICLE I:

NAME

The name of this organization shall be EOPS Club of Santa Barbara City College.

ARTICLE II:

PURPOSE

Section 1: The purpose of the EOPS Club shall be to organize the EOPS students through educational experiences which seek to enhance the effectiveness of the EOPS Program; therefore, the EOPS Club shall be clearly an integral part of the EOPS Program under the guidance of the EOPS Club Advisor.

Section 2: In view of the purpose above, the objectives of this Club shall be to:

1. Develop communication channels which inform the students; faculty and staff of SBCC and Santa Barbara community about the EOPS Program, both as part of the community and the college as a whole.
2. Maintain unity and cohesiveness within the EOPS Program through student involvement with EOPS staff and related faculty in the mutual planning, implementation, and evaluation of all program activities.
3. ,Provide a means through which students in the EOPS Program can become involved in the making of program policies and thereby to develop better leadership and organizational skills.

4. Establish a representative structure of EOPS students at This college for the purpose of encouraging an active and legitimate role in the statewide EOPS professional and paraprofessional associations, namely CCCEOP&SA and CCCEOP&SSA.
5. Participate in annual events coordinated by the SBCC EOPS Program for the purpose of promoting student development through the learning experience of working with the staff and the community, and to promote special events sponsored by EOPS for the purpose of cultural enrichment and development of interpersonal relations.
6. Involve students in the EOPS Program, which will provide data on the quality and quantity of the services provided.
7. Promote the development of positive change in students towards acquisition of better study and academic skills, towards more self-appreciation through greater understanding of personal strengths and weaknesses, and thus towards greater educational success for the BOPS students at SBCC.
8. Promote the development of positive, purposeful change in SBCC as an institution towards greater awareness of, and responsiveness to, EOPS student needs for more variety and choice in educational offering, towards more humane and personal communication among faculty, students, and administrators, towards more understanding of institutional strengths and weaknesses, and thus towards greater educational success for the college in relation to its services to EOPS students.
9. The EOPS Club will not align itself with any political organization or group.

ARTICLE III:
ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: General membership in the EOPS Club of SBCC shall consist of all non-EOPS SBCC students, SBCC faculty and SBCC administration.

section 2: The following rights and privileges are available to members holding general membership:

- I. The right to vote in general and site elections,
2. The right to participate in any event the EOPS Club organizes, and
3. Other rights and privileges as established through the process of adding to or changing the By-Laws in accordance with this Constitution.

Section 3: Active membership in the EOPS Club of SBCC shall consist of SBCC EOPS eligible students.

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Section 4: The following rights and privileges are available to members holding active membership:

1. the right to hold office;
2. the right to participate in any event the EOPS Club organizes;
3. the right to vote in general and site elections;
4. the privilege of traveling at EOPS expense on state or regional business upon proper authorization by the Dean, Student Services, the college President, and Board of Trustees;
5. the privilege of representing SBCC/EOPS Association to others as authorized by the EOPS Club Advisor; and
6. other rights and privileges as established through the process of adding to or changing the By-Laws in accordance with this Constitution.

Section 5: Loss of Membership: the Executive Board shall have the right to dismiss any Club member when the Board deems necessary and said member is not serving the purpose of the organization. This will be done with approval of a majority of the organized members present after a week's notice. A member may also withdraw from membership if he or she deems it necessary.

Section 6: There shall be no membership fees charged.

ARTICLE IV:

OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES

Section I: The officers of the EOPS Club shall be a governing Executive Board consisting of four (4) members:

1. Chairperson
2. Vice-Chairperson
3. Treasurer
4. Secretary

Section 2: All Executive Board members must be EOPS Program students; that is, recipients of EOPS services.

Section 3: The duties of the Executive Board shall be as listed in Section 1 of the EOPS By-laws.

Section 4: Election of officers shall take place during the beginning of each Fall semester, by a majority vote of the members of the EOPS Club present.

Section 5: Officers shall serve for one school year

Section 6: All actions by the Executive Board shall be subject to the approval of the members of the EOPS Club.

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ARTICLE V:

MEETINGS

Section 1: The EOPS Club shall hold regular meetings on campus throughout the school year. All emergency or additional meetings will be held when deemed necessary by the Executive Board.

Section 2: The time and place for meetings shall be determined by the Executive Board and the Club members.

Section 3: A majority of the EOPS Club members present shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VI:

ORGANIZATION

Section 1: The EOPS Club shall consist of the Executive Board, Club members and any special committees established by the Executive Board and the Club Advisor.

Section 2: The EOPS Club Advisor shall advise the Executive Board in all administrative actions that directly affect the Club's actions/ progress.

Section 3: All decisions concerning activities or policies affecting the EOPS Program shall be brought before the Executive Board and the EOPS Club Advisor for discussion prior to action being taken. Decisions made by the EOPS Club are not binding on the EOPS Program. When necessary, further action by the EOPS Club Advisor, shall be taken in accordance with standard college procedures.

Section 4: The Executive Board shall act on all official business with the advice, guidance, and consent of the EOPS Club Advisor.

Section 5: All Club committees shall conduct business with the advice of the EOPS Club Advisor, the Executive Board and with any other administration approvals necessary.

Section 6: All Association business shall be conducted in compliance with policies of SBCC District, and the California Education Code.

Section 7: Amendments to this constitution can be made by recognized members of the EOPS Club, and after a majority vote of all recognized members present.

ARTICLE VII:

RATIFICATION

This Constitution shall become effective upon approval by majority vote of all students present at the EOPS weekly Club meeting, upon the approval of the college administration and the signing of the Constitution by a majority of all students present at the time of.