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Student Equity Center Presentation

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- Institutional Research
- IT
- Interaction Design
- Facilities
- Equity Steering Committee
- Community & Academic Relation

Taskforce Membership

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**Social Justice Workgroup
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STUDENT EQUITY CENTER ROADMAP



Prior to Fall 2018

Social Justice Workgroup and Gender Equity Committee (Gen-C) conceptualized a space for students to come together.

Fall 2018

Dr. Jeffery Convenes the President's Task Force on Social Justice to develop a plan for opening a Social Justice/Gender Equity Center and Gender Equity .

A.S. unanimously approves allocation of funds for Construction and outfitting of Social Justice/ Gender Equity Center.

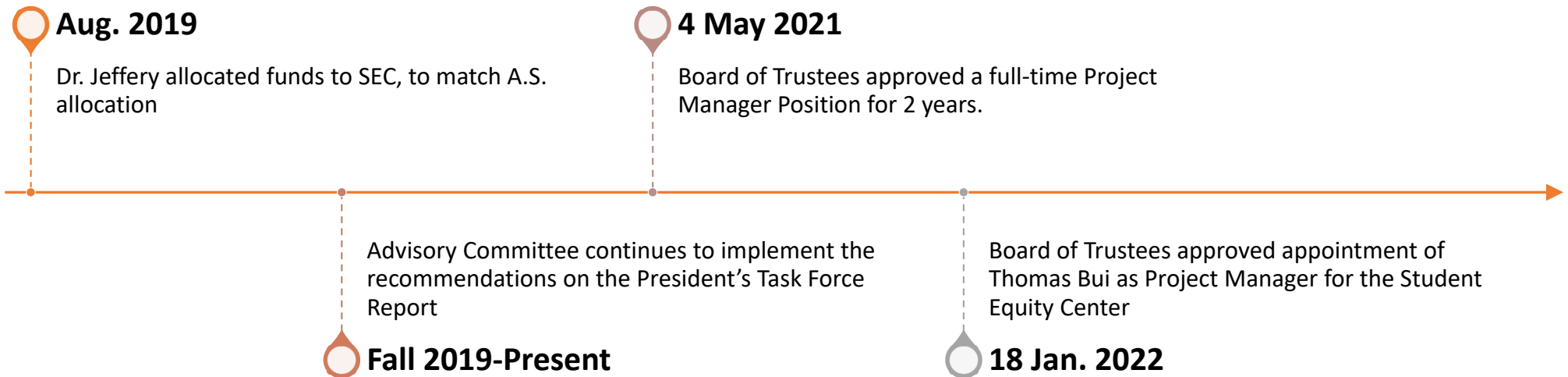
Nov. 2017

President's Task Force on Social Justice and Gender Equity met regularly, conducted further research, invited informed guests, created sub-committees and wrote a report.

2018–2019



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Executive Summary of Recommendations

Develop a Center on the Main Campus to house services, resources, and community building activities for students.

Develop a college-wide culture that embraces diversity, equity, and social justice. A culture that does not tolerate hate towards any community.

Hire staff and student workers to provide leadership and services for the Center.

Apply for grant funding to augment the District's cost for implementing a Center.

Develop MOU's with outside agencies to provide resources and services on campus.

Establish a Center Advisory Committee.

Develop Online Resources and Webpage (Interim Virtual Space)

Implement professional development activities, workshops and trainings for faculty, staff, and students.

Develop marketing materials and brochures to promote the resources and services in the Center.

Develop Administrative Unit outcomes and evaluation measures for the Center.

Welcome To The Student Equity Center



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The Student Equity Center

Mission

The Student Equity Center is a collaborative and inclusive space consisting of four centers: Gender Equity, Racial Justice, Pride and the Undocumented & DREAM Resource Center. The Student Equity Center empowers students to explore, affirm, and celebrate their individual and intersectional identities and define success for themselves. Each center promotes a sense of belonging and develops student leadership to work toward social change on their campus and in their communities.



Current Progress

Development of Center's Mission and Vision

Formation of Center and Services

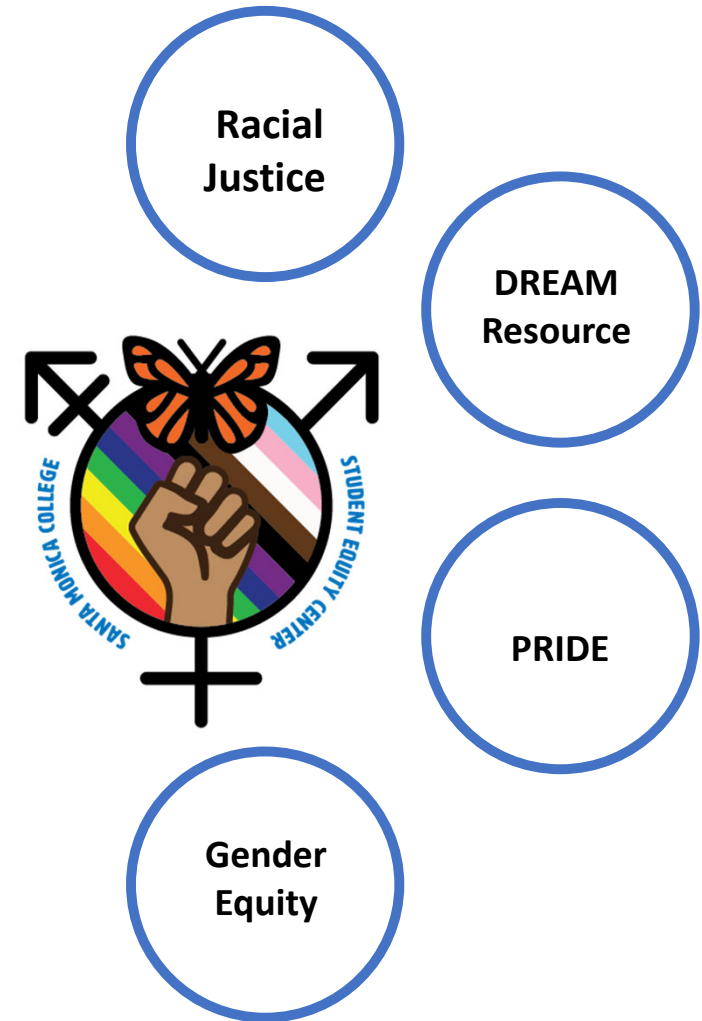
[Launched SEC Website](#)

Developed Student Equity Center Logo

Launched pilot programs

Ongoing Cayton Garden Level Renovations

Exploring Funding Opportunities



Dream Resource Center (DRC)

Mission

The Santa Monica College Dream Resource Center is committed to creating a safe, nurturing, and supportive environment for undocumented students, and students from mixed-status households, to feel empowered to achieve their academic, professional, and personal goals.

Fall 2021

Services

- DREAM Program
- UndocuOrientation for new students
- Immigration Services Legal Project with CARECEN

Student Club Partners - I.D.E.A.S. Club

Workshops and Events

- Undocumented Student Week of Action
- UndocuChats
- UndocuAlly Training
- DACA Application Clinic



Spring 2022

- California Dream Act Application Clinic
- Hiring of Wellness Counselor
- Virtual College Tours
- In person/hybrid workshops
- UndocuGraduation

Gender Equity Center (GEC)

Mission

The Gender Equity Center is dedicated to creating an equitable community at SMC by addressing and challenging gender inequity through education, empowerment of women, consciousness raising, activism, and allyship.

Notable Accomplishments & Work

Advocacy

- Supporting Menstrual Equity Task Force

Student Club Partners

- Corsair Consent Coalition (CCC)
- Period
- Gender Sexuality Alliance (GSA)

Upcoming Spring Events

- Denim Day - April 29th
- International Day of the Woman - March 8th



Racial Justice Center (RJC)

Mission

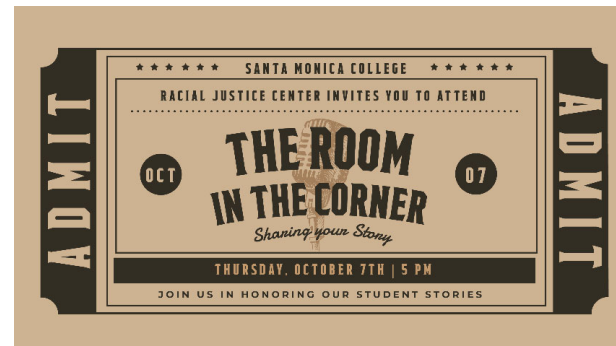
The Racial Justice Center at Santa Monica College is dedicated to building a campus committed to dismantling racism, affirming racial identity, supporting cultural narratives, and promoting equitable access and opportunity for historically underrepresented students...

Online Resources

- Racial Justice Library
- Relevant SMC Class Guide
- Get Involved
- Take Action

Programs

- Affinity Group



The Room in the Corner

- Premiered Fall 2021
- Spring 2022: Thursday, March 10, 2022 @ 5:30 PM

Pride Center

Mission

The Santa Monica College Pride center is dedicated to honoring and prioritizing intersectional LGBTQ+ identities. We are committed to improving campus culture where all queer and trans students can celebrate and embody their holistic selves.



Fall 2021

Events and Programs

- Coming Out Panel of LGBTQ+ students & faculty for National Coming Out Day (10/11)
- Trans Day of Remembrance Vigil (11/20)

Advocacy

- All-Gender Bathroom Proposal & Advocacy
- Submission to present at CCC LGBTQ+ Conference

Spring 2022

- Present at CCC LGBTQ+ Conference
- Submit grant for CA Governor's LGBTQ+ funding
- Presentation at BoT on All-Gender Restroom Proposal

Upcoming Programs

- Trans Awareness Week
- Pride Week!

Thank you for
your time!

