

**Saddleback College Academic Senate
RESOLUTION**

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(Passed at Academic Senate Meeting on 4.07.04)

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR MAINTAINING MATRICULATION
FUNDING AS A CATEGORICAL PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, Community College enrollments are expected to increase and will be further impacted by the enrollment limitations and caps in place at UC and CSU, Matriculation student support services must be expanded to meet growing students demands.

WHEREAS, the Matriculation process is complex and contributes to every element of student success. Research has repeatedly demonstrated that the reception of Matriculation support services significantly increases student retention, academic success, and the completion of student goals.

WHEREAS, the Matriculation process ensures the fair and equitable assessment and placement of students statewide. Prior to the establishment of the Matriculation process the system failed to meet the needs of all of its students and was successfully sued by MALDEF for its unfair practices.

WHEREAS, we recognize that in this era of diminishing budgets and increasing student need it is essential to identify the Matriculation funding, thereby safeguarding each college's ability to retain the critical Matriculation funded student support services essential to student success.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Saddleback College Faculty Senate opposes folding the Matriculation funds into the base of the California Community College budgets.

Executed on this 7th day of April, 2004

Carmen Dominguez, Academic Senate President