Policy #: SR 09-05

Applicability: CSU Channel Islands

Purpose:
To support the application for the Carnegie Classification for Community Engagement. In spring 2006, the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning modernized its original classification system for institutions of higher education and introduced the elective classification "Community Engagement" as part of its new system. This classification exemplifies that a central feature of the institution’s identity and culture is service to the community as demonstrated by faculty, staff and students. In this elective category, institutions now submit data on community engagement to Carnegie for review, instead of using national data to determine ranking. After the current application cycle, the next application cycle will be in 2015.

Center for Community Engagement Resolution
The mission of the University emphasizes experiential and service learning for its students, and CSU Channel Islands students are dedicated to participating in human society and the natural world as socially responsible individual citizens. Additionally CI faculty value the scholarship of engagement, using research and knowledge to engage in problems that affect individuals, institutions, and society.

RESOLVED:
That the Academic Senate of CSU Channel Islands expresses its support for the University’s efforts to apply for the Community Engagement Classification designation by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching in affirmation of the importance of community engagement in higher education and at Channel Islands.