San Diego Mesa College
Appeal submission in response to the CalGETC denial of
FILI 100 – Filipino American Experience

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Appended	Current Decision	Area	Action	Proposal Type
	Deny	6	Add	Cal-GETC
	Approve	4	Retain	Cal-GETC

Comments: Area 6 Ethnic Studies – To be approved for this GE area, courses must have an Ethnic Studies prefix or similar as stated in Cal-GETC standards. African American, Asian American, Latina/o American, or Native American Studies. Similar course prefixes (e.g., Pan-African Studies, American Indian Studies, Chicana/o Studies, Ethnic Studies) shall also meet this requirement. Also, similar fields and course prefixes (e.g., Black Studies, African Diaspora Studies, Pan African Studies, American Indian Studies, Indigenous Studies, Asian American & Asian Diaspora Studies, Asian American and Pacific Islander Studies, Chicana/o/x Studies, Latina/o/x Studies, Critical Race and Ethnic Studies).

CalGETC Appeal Statement

1. Title 5 Definition of Ethnic Studies.
   5 CCR § 55061 - § 55061. Associate Degree Course Requirements
   "(6) Ethnic Studies (minimum of 3 semester/4 quarter units). Courses fulfilling this requirement may include baccalaureate-level courses in the four autonomous disciplines within Ethnic Studies: Black Studies; African American Studies; Africana Studies; Native American Studies; Chicano/a/x; Latino/a/x Studies/La Raza Studies; and Asian American Studies."

2. "To be approved for this requirement, courses shall have the following course prefixes: African American, Asian American, Latina/o American or Native American Studies. Similar course prefixes (e.g. Pan-African Studies, American Indian Studies, Chicana/o Studies, Ethnic Studies) shall also meet this requirement. Courses without ethnic studies prefixes may meet this requirement if cross-listed with a course with an ethnic studies prefix". CalGETC Standards 1.3 Note: Filipino American Studies is Asian American Studies.

3. Filipino American Studies predates Asian American Studies in the academe by 30 years with programs which started at our sister college San Diego Miramar as well as The City Colleges of San Francisco. "Asian American Studies" was established through colonization in an effort to minimize and/or eliminate the separate recognition of Chinese American, Filipino American and Japanese American experiences within the academe. Please reference the latest of numerous Academic Senate of California Community College (ASCCC) resolutions, which recognize Filipino American Studies as an Ethnic Studies discipline, along with representative prefixes: Clarification, Recognition, and Inclusion of Specific Course Designators Within the Four Autonomous Core Disciplines