The Student Equity Committee (SEC) plays a critical role in preserving and enhancing the diversity and equity of students by advocating on a college-wide basis for the advancement of programs, services, and initiatives that impact positively targeted groups of students throughout their tenure at Sacramento City College. The SEC works collaboratively with the Planning, Research, and Institutional Effectiveness Office to conduct research and gather data related to student equity issues. It is also serves as an important vehicle for disseminating to the campus community, the key findings or meaning derived from these data. The Student Equity Plan provides a framework for the committee’s efforts, serving as the repository of their data gathering and analysis efforts as well as the recommendations and plans derived from the findings. The SEC is responsible for developing, revising and ensuring the implementation of the Student Equity Plan.

In keeping with its designated charge, the SEC collaboratively established the following priorities as the focus of their moving-forward efforts beginning in Spring 2009 to revise the Student Equity Plan.

- **Student Focus Groups**: Conduct of series of student focus groups in order to capture better, students’ voices concerning how they experience the college, with a specific emphasis placed on equity-related issues. Incorporate the findings from this focus group in the Student Equity Plan.

- **Student Equity Indicators**: Review and revise the indicators used in the Student Equity Plan to guide and assess improvement efforts. A significant focus of this work will be to incorporate data that is more reflective of student voices (i.e. focus groups, climate survey data, etc.).

- **Disseminate Key Findings**: Develop and implement more effective means of sharing key findings garnered from data collection/analysis efforts. Provide a vehicle for wider college participation in the development of goals (actions) established in the revised Student Equity Plan.

- **Cultural Democracy Advisory Panel**: Ensure active participation as a member of the Cultural Democracy Advisory panel that is slated to begin in the 2008-2009 academic year.

It is the intention of the SEC to raise the level of discourse and dialogue about issues that impact students’ abilities to access and succeed at Sacramento City College in hopes of removing the barriers to their success.