Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) Charter
Adopted Fall Semester 2020

Mission/Purpose:

- To serve as an advisory committee to the Ohlone College Office of the President
- To facilitate an organized dialogue between students, faculty and staff about the physical and mental health needs of students
- To promote and empower student-led solutions on student health and wellness issues
- To establish a campus wide agenda that will advance student well-being
- To increase the ownership of student health by faculty, staff, and the student population.
- To function as a liaison between students, staff, faculty and administration on matters of physical and mental health and wellbeing of students.

Goals:

- Create a campus culture and climate that fosters students’ mental health, physical health and well-being
- Assess and identify the health related needs of the student population, including emerging student health issues, barriers to access to care, and health equity.
- Engage students as equal partners in program development to meet identified health and wellness needs of student population.
- Assist in publicizing and promoting the programs and health services offered by the Student Health Center
- Interact with relevant organizations in promoting student health.

Membership:

- Membership of the Student Health Advisory Committee is open to any faculty, staff, administrator or student that interested in the advancement of student health and wellness. (50% participation required)
- Student membership: participation rewarded with offer a letter of recommendation to pursue academic/career goals, such as a transfer application or employment opportunities. (50% participation required)

Responsibilities of Members:

- Co-chairs: Call and preside over SHAC meetings, set an agenda in advance of each meeting, and maintain clear communication with committee members regarding committee activities. The Co-chairs are also responsible for reporting SHAC activity to the office of the President.
- There will be a designated note-taker at each meeting. Notes and actionable items will be shared with committee members after each meeting.
- SHAC members: attend SHAC meetings:
  - Actively participate in SHAC campus health initiatives, participate in the assessment of student health issues, and serve as consulting member of sub-committees led by students.
  - Review health promotion/education/intervention programming and make recommendations based on best practices.
  - Advocate for student health concerns and make recommendations based upon best practices.
  - Contribute to the budget planning and decision-making process of the Student Health Fee.

Meetings:

- The Student Health Advisory Committee will convene for meetings 2-3 times/ semester. Meetings will be planned for the year in advance, and based on the availability of current members.