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Subject: [EXTERNAL] New ESMC Curriculum

Dear IQC,

After hearing from a dear family member about the new curriculum and what it entails I've come to the conclusion that the new curriculum would support antisemitic sentiments. I have copied his concerns below:

I am deeply troubled about the following events that have transpired with the new draft curriculum for Ethnic Studies (ESMC):

1. An initial draft that was clearly antisemitic and anti-Israel in its content
2. A commitment to have an open and transparent process that was clearly violated by the "stroke of midnight" inclusion of Arab-Americans when there had been an agreement that it would only cover four traditional ethnic studies groups – African Americans, Asian Americans, Native Americans, and Latinx Americans.
3. A second draft that remains fundamentally flawed

I hope you take my comments in stride and think deeply about the unintended consequences of the new curriculum.

Kind regards,
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