

Somos Puente

Puente Project

San Diego Mesa College

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Puente History Statewide

Puente started in 1981 at Chabot Community College in Hayward, CA by Felix Galaviz and Patricia McGrath

Puente has since expanded to 7 middle schools, 38 high schools and 76 community colleges throughout the state.

Puente History San Diego Mesa College

Puente began in 1989-90 at Mesa College.

English Faculty: Andrew Hoffman, Joel Perez, Christie Allred

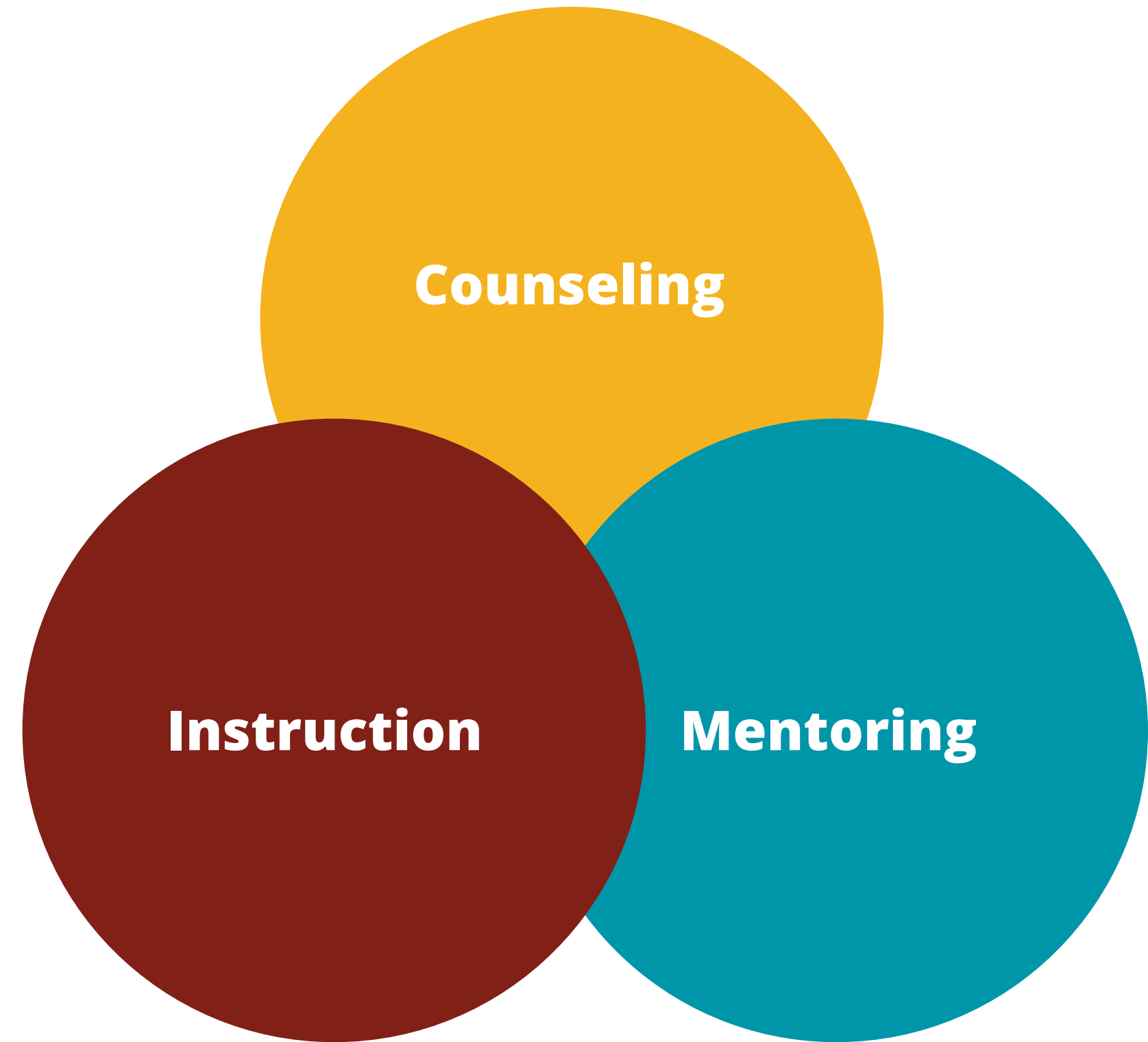
Counseling Faculty: Bea Zamora, Star Rivera, Guadalupe Gonzalez, Cynthia Rico, Guillermo Marrujo, Raul Rodriguez, Patty Rodriguez

Math Faculty: Juan Bernal

30+ years of serving students!

The Puente Model: The Three Components

OUR MISSION is to increase the number of educationally underserved students who enroll in universities, earn college degrees and return to the community as mentors and leaders to future generations.



The Puente Classroom

- High rigor with high support and empathy
- Culturally responsive material, readings and assignments
- Current practices with a Multicultural focus
- Appropriate scaffolding of assignments and materials
- Models collaboration and interdependence as an approach to learning



Puente Bienvenida/Orientation
8/14/2024

Learning Community: Puente Phases



PHASE 1

Fall Semester:

- ENGL 101
- PERG 120

AND/OR

-MATH 119x (depends on individual student)

PHASE 2

Spring semester:

- ENGL 205
- PERG 110

AND/OR

- MATH 116 or 141 (depends on individual student)

PHASE 3

Students who have completed Phase I and II and are enrolled at SD Mesa College until they graduate/transfer.

Fall Semester 2024



- ❖ Bienvenida
- ❖ Kapwa-Umoja-Puente Mixer/Identity Collaboration
- ❖ Regional Alliance Day at the Bay
- ❖ Mentor Training Dinner @ 72-fifty
- ❖ Noche de Familia
- ❖ Donato Martinez poetry reading and writing workshop
- ❖ Jeff Knorr poetry reading *Fire Seasons*
- ❖ Documentary: *A Chicano Love Story*
- ❖ Anti-Asian American Hate workshop
- ❖ Your Ancestors' Dreams workshop with Dr. Nellie Tran
- ❖ Transfer Motivational Conference at UCSD
- ❖ Art healing workshop with Berenice Badillo
- ❖ ServiceNow Campus Tour and workshop with Reggie Polk
- ❖ Puente Posada with Mentors

Puente Works!

Statewide Data

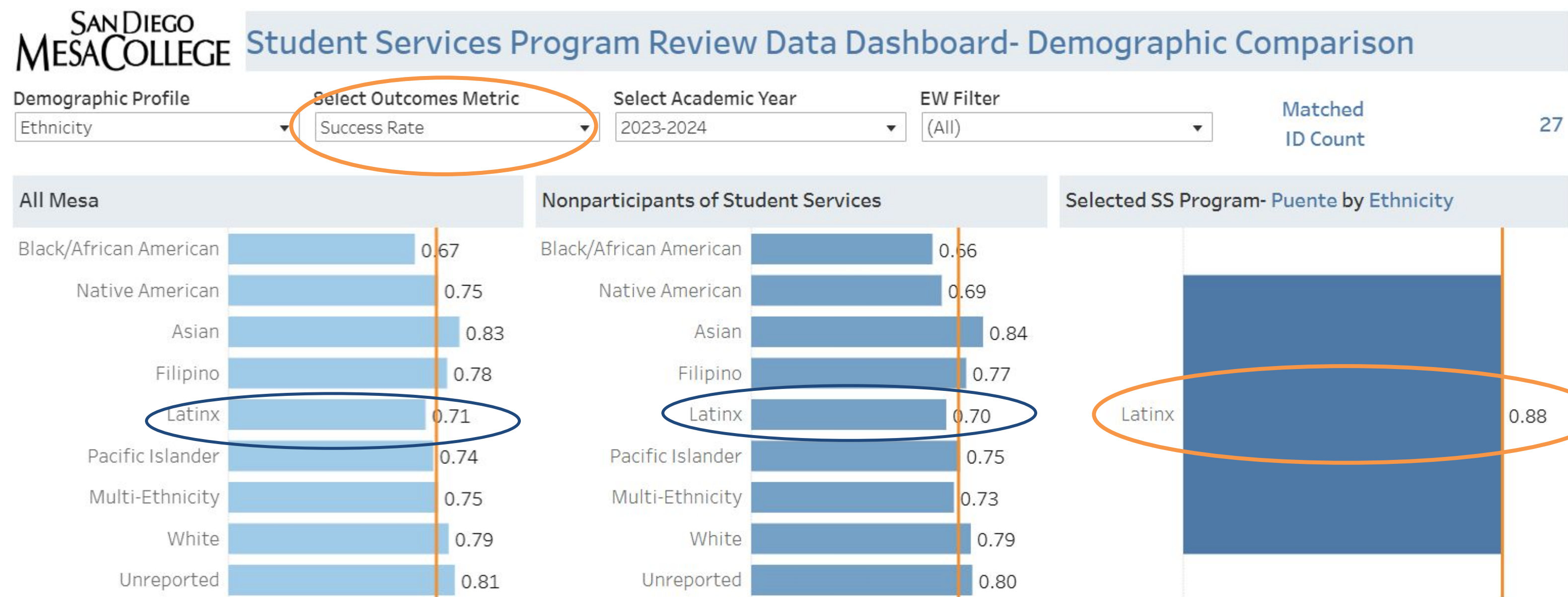
- **84% of Puente students enroll in three continuous terms** compared with 72% of all CCC students.
- **Over half (52%) of Puente community college students transfer to four-year institutions**, compared with transfer rates for all CCC students statewide and CCC underrepresented students at 41% and 33% respectively.



Transfer Motivational Conference
@UCSD 11/16/2024



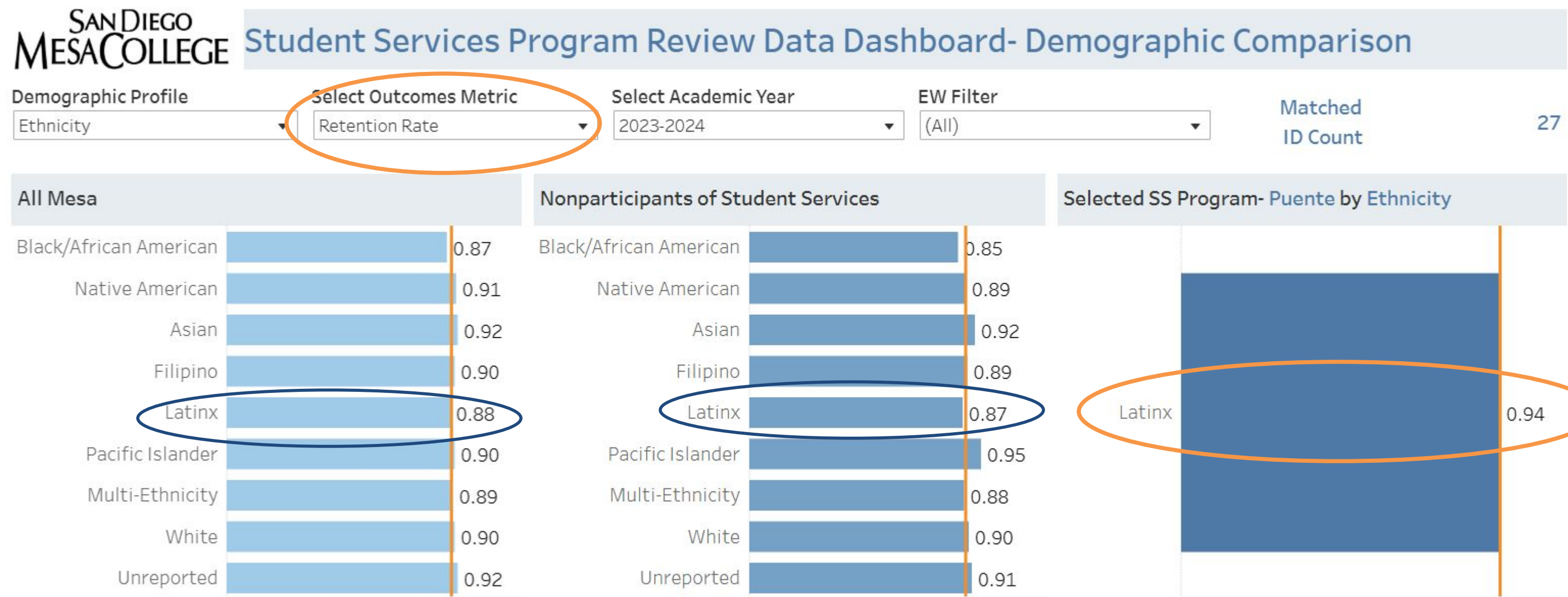
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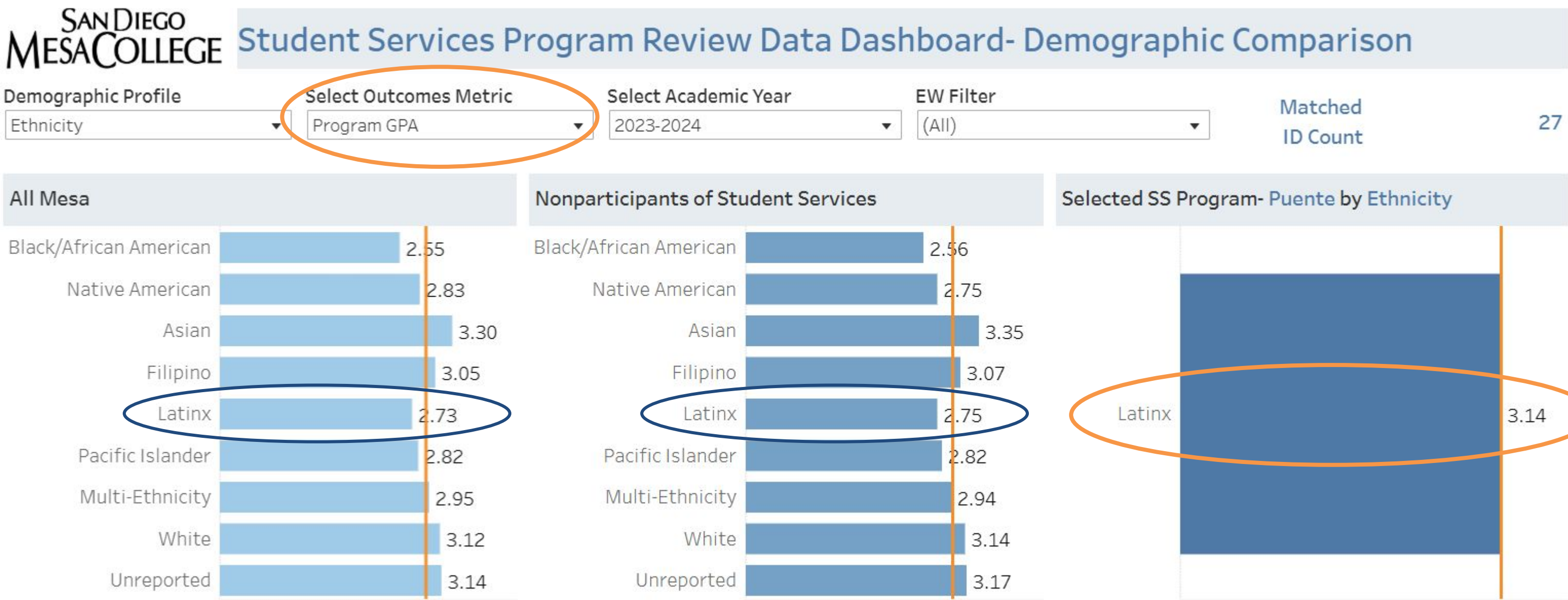
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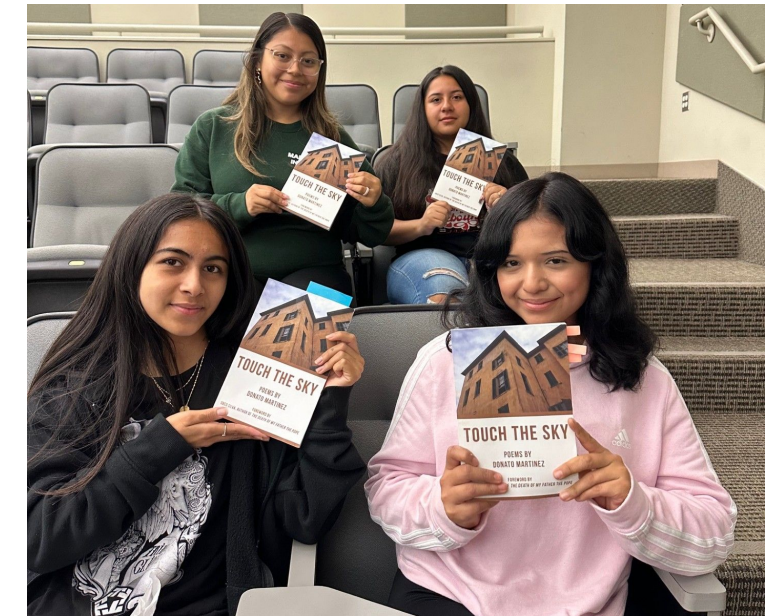
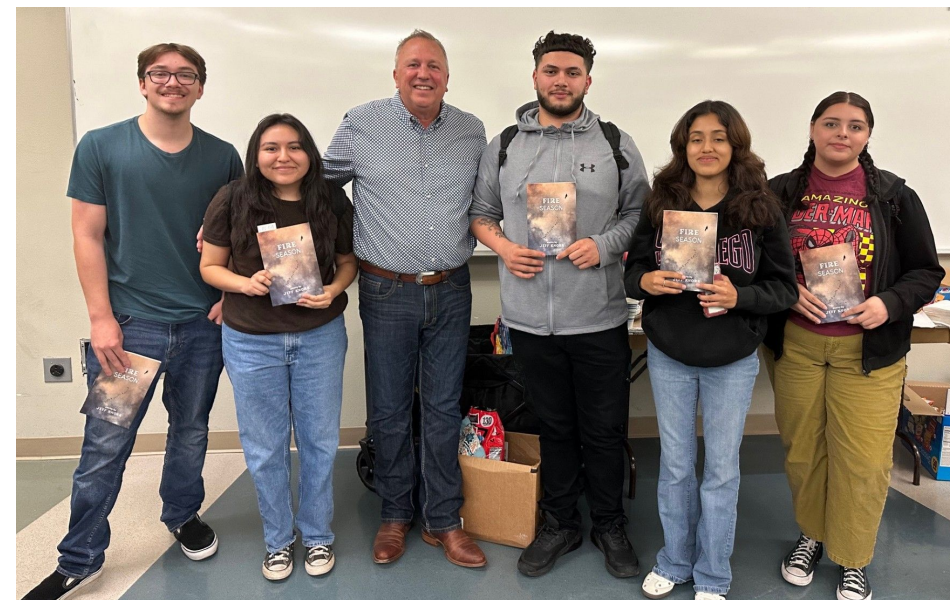
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Puente Future

- Learning community program space coming soon!
- Development of a SECOND cohort (Puente MAS - STEM focus)
- Development of PERG curriculum (1.5 unit course)
- Summer enrichment
- Priority Registration (MOU)



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