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Dr. Cooks is currently the Vice President of Academic Services at Chabot College in Hayward, Ca. He has worked in higher education for over 20 years. As a former Dean of Language Arts, a division including English, English as a Second Language, World Language, and American Sign Language, Dr. Cooks successfully implemented an AB 705 procedures and policies, co-founded the Chabot Association of Teacher Education (CATE) as a pathway to careers in education working with colleges, and served as the administrator for the RISE Program, which is a student support program for formerly incarcerated students attending Chabot College.



In addition, he has served for over 20 years as an active member in a number of committees and leadership positions in the National Council for Teachers of English (NCTE), including the former Chair of the Assembly on Research (NCTE-AR), the Middle Level Steering Committee, and the Committee on English Education.

Originally from Oakland, Ca., Dr. Cooks has a doctorate in Language, Literacy, and Culture and an M.A. in Curriculum Development from the University of Michigan and a Bachelors of Arts degree in Political Economy of Industrial Societies from the University of California at Berkeley. He lives in Oakland with his family.