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The revisions in **yellow highlighting** are from legal Update 22 issued by the League's Policy and Procedure Service in June 2013. The language was revised to align to add "ethnicity" and "pregnancy" as protected classes.

AP 3410 NONDISCRIMINATION

Nondiscrimination References for Education Programs:

Education Code Sections 66250 et seq., 200 et seq., and 72010 et seq.; Penal Code Sections 422.55 et seq.; Title 5 Sections 59300 et seq.; Accreditation Standard II.B.2.c

NOTE: This procedure is **legally required**. Local practice may be inserted, but should comply with these minimum requirements.

Education Programs

The District shall provide access to its services, classes and programs without regard to, national origin, religion, age, gender, gender identity, gender expression, race or ethnicity, color, medical condition, genetic information, ancestry, sexual orientation, marital status, physical or mental disability, pregnancy, or because he/she is perceived to have one or more of the foregoing characteristics, or based on association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

[NOTE: The District may add additional protected categories.]

All courses, including noncredit classes, shall be conducted without regard to the gender of the student enrolled in the classes. As defined in the Penal Code, "gender" means sex, and includes a person's gender identity and gender expression. "Gender expression" mean's a person's gender-related appearance and behavior whether or not stereotypically associated with the person's assigned sex at birth.

The District shall not prohibit any student from enrolling in any class or course on the basis of gender.

Academic staff, including but not limited to counselors, instructors and administrators shall not offer program guidance to students which differs on the basis of gender.

Insofar as practicable, the District shall offer opportunities for participation in athletics equally to male and female students.

Nondiscrimination References for Employment:

Education Code Sections 87100 et seq.; <u>Title 5 Sections 53000 et seq.;</u> <u>Government Code Sections 11135 et seq. and 12940 et seq.</u>

Employment

The District shall provide equal employment opportunities to all applicants and employees regardless of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, age, sexual orientation, or status as a Vietnam-era veteran. (Districts may add additional protected categories.)

All employment decisions, including but not limited to hiring, retention, assignment, transfer, evaluation, dismissal, compensation, and advancement for all position classifications shall be based on job-related criteria as well as be responsive to the District's needs.

The District shall from time to time as necessary provide professional and staff development activities and training to promote understanding of diversity.

The procedure for the investigation and resolution of complaints of discrimination by or against any staff or faculty member within the District is set forth in AP 3435 (Discrimination and Harassment Complaint Procedures). Depending on the circumstances, the procedure for the investigation and resolution of complaints against students is set forth in either AP 3435 or AP 5530 (Student Rights and Grievances).

From the current CLPCCD Administrative Rules and Procedures 4029 titled Americans with Disabilities Act

(To be developed) Note: The "To be developed" notation is what is currently displayed on the AP. If the above language in red ink is used, it is not necessary to create any further language.

From the current CLPCCD Administrative Rules and Procedures 5516 titled Reconciliation of Complaints Regarding Alleged Unlawful Discrimination

(To be developed) Note: The "To be developed" notation is what is currently displayed on the AP. If the above language in red ink is used, it is not necessary to create any further language. **NOTE:** The **red ink** signifies language that is **legally required** and recommended by the Policy and Procedure Service and its legal counsel. The language in **black ink** is current CLPCCD Administrative Rules and Procedures 4029 titled Americans with Disabilities Act with no date and current CLPCCD Administrative Rules and Procedures 5516 titled Reconciliation of Complaints Regarding Alleged Unlawful Discrimination issued on March 19, 1996. The language in **blue ink** is included for consideration. Judy and Audrey reviewed this document on May 23, 2013. The **yellow highlighted** language is from legal Update 22 disseminated to districts in June 2013.

Date Approved:

(*Replaces current CLPCCD Administrative Rules and Procedures* 4029 *and* 5516)

Legal Citations for AP 3410

Education Code Sections 66250 et seq., 200 et seq., 72010 et seq., and 87100 et seq.; Government Code Sections 11135 et seq. and 12940 et seq.; Title 5 Section 53000 et seq. and 59300 et seq.; Accreditation Standard II.B.2.C

CALIFORNIA CODES EDUCATION CODE SECTIONS 66250-66252

66250. This chapter shall be known, and may be cited, as the Sex Equity in **Education** Act.

66251. It is the policy of the State of California to afford all persons, regardless of their sex, ethnic group identification, race, national origin, religion, mental or physical disability, or regardless of any basis that is contained in the prohibition of hate crimes set forth in subdivision (a) of Section 422.6 of the Penal **Code**, equal rights and opportunities in the postsecondary institutions of the state. The purpose of this chapter is to prohibit acts that are contrary to that policy and to provide remedies therefor.

66252. (a) All students have the right to participate fully in the educational process, free from discrimination and harassment.

(b) California's postsecondary educational institutions have an affirmative obligation to combat racism, sexism, and other forms of bias, and a responsibility to provide equal educational opportunity.

(c) Harassment on school grounds directed at an individual on the basis of personal characteristics or status creates a hostile environment and jeopardizes equal educational opportunity as guaranteed by the California Constitution and the United States Constitution.

(d) There is an urgent need to prevent and respond to acts of hate violence and bias-related incidents that are occurring at an increasing rate in California's public schools.

(e) There is an urgent need to teach and inform students in the public schools about their rights, as guaranteed by the federal and state constitutions, in order to increase students' awareness and understanding of their rights and the rights of others, with the intention of promoting tolerance and sensitivity in postsecondary educational institutions and in society as a means of responding to potential harassment and hate violence.

(f) It is the intent of the Legislature that each postsecondary educational institution undertake educational activities to counter discriminatory incidents on school grounds and, within constitutional bounds, to minimize and eliminate a hostile environment on school grounds that impairs the access of students to equal educational opportunity.

(g) It is the intent of the Legislature that this chapter shall be interpreted as consistent with Article 9.5 (commencing with Section 11135) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government **Code**, Title VI of the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1981, et seq.), Title IX of the **Education** Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1681, et seq.), Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. Sec. 794(a)), the federal Individuals with Disabilities **Education** Act (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1400 et seq.), the federal Equal Educational Opportunities Act (20 U.S.C.

Sec. 1701, et seq.), the Unruh Civil Rights Act (Secs. 51 to 53, incl., Civ. C.), and the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Pt. 2.8 (commencing with Sec. 12900), Div. 3, Gov. C.), except where this chapter may grant more protections or impose additional obligations, and that the remedies provided herein shall not be the exclusive remedies, but may be combined with remedies that may be provided by the above statutes.

CALIFORNIA CODES EDUCATION CODE SECTIONS 72010-72014

72010. The provisions of this article are supplemental to any provision in the Constitution or laws of the United States or Constitution or laws of the State of California, relating to discrimination.

72011. Every community college district shall provide access to its services, classes, and programs without regard to race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, handicap, or sex.

72012. Every community college shall comply with Sections 221.5, 221.7, and 66016, relating to sex discrimination.

72013. With respect to access to community college district services, classes, and programs, and with respect to all references within this division, "handicap" and "disability" shall have the same meaning.

72014. No funds under the control of a community college district shall ever be used for membership or for any participation involving a financial payment or contribution, on behalf of the district or any individual employed by or associated therewith, in any private organization whose membership practices are discriminatory on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, religion, or national origin. This section does not apply to any public funds which have been paid to an individual officer or employee of the district as salary, or to any funds which are used directly or indirectly for the benefit of student organizations.

Education Code Sections 87100 et seq.

87100. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

(1) In fulfilling its mission within California's system of public higher **education**, the California Community Colleges are committed to academic excellence and to providing all students with the opportunity to succeed in their chosen educational pursuits.

(2) Academic excellence can best be sustained in a climate of acceptance and with the inclusion of persons from a wide variety of backgrounds and preparations to provide service to an increasingly diverse student population.

(3) A work force that is continually responsive to the needs of a diverse student population may be achieved by ensuring that all persons receive an equal opportunity to compete for employment and promotion within the community college districts and by eliminating barriers to equal employment opportunity.

(b) It is the intent of the Legislature to establish and maintain within the California Community College districts a policy of equal opportunity in employment for all persons, and to prohibit discrimination or preferential treatment based on ethnic group identification, or on any basis listed in subdivision (a) of Section 12940 of the Government Code, as those bases are defined in Sections 12926 and 12926.1 of the Government Code. Every aspect of personnel policy and practice in the community college districts should advance the realization of inclusion through a continuing program of equal employment opportunity.

(c) The Legislature recognizes that it is not enough to proclaim that community college districts must not discriminate and must not grant preferential treatment on impermissible bases. The Legislature declares that efforts must also be made to build a community in which nondiscrimination and equal opportunity are realized. It is the intent of the Legislature to require community college districts to adopt and implement programs and plans for ensuring equal employment opportunity in their employment practices.

87101. For the purposes of this article:

(a) "Equal employment opportunity" means that all qualified individuals have a full and fair opportunity to compete for hiring and promotion and fully enjoy the benefits of employment by a community college district. Ensuring equal employment opportunity is advanced in an inclusive environment that fosters cooperation, acceptance, democracy, and the free expression of ideas. An inclusive environment is welcoming to men and women, persons with disabilities, individuals from all ethnic groups, and individuals from all other groups protected from discrimination by this article.

(b) "Equal employment opportunity plan" means a document that includes specific procedures for achieving equal employment opportunity.

(c) "Equal employment opportunity program" means all the various methods by which equal employment opportunity is ensured. These methods include, but are not necessarily limited to, actively recruiting, using nondiscriminatory employment practices, and monitoring employment practices to ensure equality of opportunity. Each district employer shall commit to sustained action to devise recruiting, training, and advancement opportunities that will result in equal employment opportunities for all qualified applicants and employees. 87102. (a) As a condition for the receipt of funds pursuant to Section 87107, the governing board of community college district that opts to participate under the article shall periodically submit to the board of governors an affirmation of compliance with this article. Each participating district's equal employment opportunity program shall ensure participation in, and commitment to, the program by district personnel. Each participating district's equal employment opportunity plan shall include steps that the district will take in eliminating improper discrimination or preferences in its hiring and employment practices. Each plan shall address how the district will make progress in achieving the ratio of full-time to part-time faculty hiring, as indicated in Section 87482.6, while still ensuring equal employment opportunity.

(b) Each participating district's equal employment opportunity plan is a public record within the meaning of the California Public Records Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 6250) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government **Code**).

87103. The board of governors shall render assistance in developing and implementing equal employment opportunity programs in the community college districts.

87105. The board of governors shall adopt all necessary regulations to carry out the intent of this article and to ensure that each participating community college district implements processes for ensuring equal employment opportunities. Nothing in this act shall be construed to require any community college to incur any costs in excess of the funds allocated by the state for the purposes of this act. Title 5 SECTIONS 53000 et seq.

5 CCR § 53000 Cal. Admin. Code tit. 5, § 53000

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§ 53000. Scope and Intent.

(a) This subchapter implements and should be read in conjunction with Government Code sections 11135-11139.5, Education Code sections 66010.2, 66030, and Chapter 4.5 of Part 40 of Title 3, commencing with section 66250; Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. s 2000d), Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. s 1681), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. s 794), the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. s 12100 et seq.) and the Age Discrimination Act (42 U.S.C. s 6101). Nothing in this subchapter shall be construed to conflict with or be inconsistent with the provisions of article 1, section 31 of the California Constitution or to authorize conduct that is in conflict with or is inconsistent with such provisions.

(b) The regulations in this subchapter require steps to promote faculty and staff equal employment opportunity which are in addition to and consistent with the nondiscrimination requirements of state or federal law. Therefore, compliance with these regulations or approval of the district's equal employment opportunity plan pursuant to section 53003 does not imply and should not be construed to mean that a district has necessarily complied with its obligations under any other applicable laws or regulations. The Chancellor shall assist districts in identifying other applicable state or federal laws which may affect district equal employment opportunity or nondiscrimination policies.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 66271.1, 66700 and 70901, Education Code; and Section 11138, Government Code. Reference: Statutes of 1988, Chapter 923, Section 4; Sections 66010.2, 66030, 66071, 66270 and 87360, Education Code; Sections 11135-11139.5, Government Code; Title 20, United States Code, Section 1681; Title 29, United States Code, Section 794; and Title 42, United States Code, Sections 2000d, 6101 and 12100, et seq.

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§ 53001. Definitions.

As used in this subchapter:

(a) Adverse Impact. "Adverse impact" means that a statistical measure (such as those outlined in the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's "Uniform Guidelines on Employee Selection Procedures") is applied to the effects of a selection procedure and demonstrates a disproportionate negative impact on any group defined in terms of ethnic group identification, gender, or disability. A disparity identified in a given selection process will not be considered to constitute adverse impact if the numbers involved are too small to permit a meaningful comparison.

(b) Business Necessity. "Business necessity" means circumstances which justify an exception to the requirements of section 53021(b)(1) because compliance with that section would result in substantial additional financial cost to the district or pose a significant threat to human life or safety. Business necessity requires greater financial cost than does mere business convenience. Business necessity does not exist where there is an alternative that will serve business needs equally well.

(c) Equal Employment Opportunity. "Equal employment opportunity" means that all qualified individuals have a full and fair opportunity to compete for hiring and promotion and to enjoy the benefits of employment with the district. Equal employment opportunity should exist at all levels and in all job categories listed in section 53004(a). Ensuring equal employment opportunity also involves creating an environment which fosters cooperation, acceptance, democracy, and free expression of ideas and is welcoming to men and women, persons with disabilities, and individuals from all ethnic and other groups protected from discrimination by this subchapter.

(d) Equal Employment Opportunity Plan. An "equal employment opportunity plan" is a written document in which a district's work force is analyzed and specific plans and procedures are set forth for ensuring equal employment opportunity.

(e) Equal Employment Opportunity Programs. "Equal employment opportunity programs" means all the various methods by which equal employment opportunity is ensured. Such methods include, but are not limited to, using nondiscriminatory employment practices, actively recruiting, monitoring and taking additional steps consistent with the requirements of section 53006.

(f)(1) Ethnic Minorities. "Ethnic minorities" means American Indians or Alaskan natives, Asians or Pacific Islanders, Blacks/African-Americans, and Hispanics/Latinos.

(2) Ethnic Group Identification. "Ethnic group identification" means an individual's identification in one or more of the ethnic groups reported to the Chancellor pursuant to section 53004. These groups shall be more specifically defined by the Chancellor consistent with state and federal law.

(g) Goals for Persons with Disabilities. "Goals for persons with disabilities" means a statement that the district will strive to attract and hire additional qualified persons with a disability in order to achieve the level of projected representation for that group by a target date established by taking into account the expected turnover in the work force and the availability of persons with disabilities who are qualified to perform a particular job. Goals are not "quotas" or rigid proportions.

(h) In-house or Promotional Only Hiring. "In-house or promotional only" hiring means that only existing district employees are allowed to apply for a position.

(i) Monitored Group. "Monitored group" means those groups identified in section 53004(b) for which monitoring and reporting is required pursuant to section 53004(a).

(j) Person with a Disability. "Person with a disability" means any person who (1) has a physical or mental impairment as defined in Government Code section 12926 which limits one or more of such person's major life activities, (2) has a record of such an impairment, or (3) is regarded as having such an impairment. A person with a disability is "limited" if the condition makes the achievement of the major life activity difficult.

(k) Projected Representation. "Projected representation" means the percentage of persons from a monitored group determined by the Chancellor to be available and qualified to perform the work in question.

(1) Reasonable Accommodation. "Reasonable accommodation" means the efforts made on the part of the district to remove artificial or real barriers which prevent or limit the employment and upward mobility of persons with disabilities. "Reasonable accommodations" may include the items designated in section 53025.

(m) Screening or Selection Procedure. "Screening or selection procedure" means any measure, combination of measures, or procedure used as a basis for any employment decision. Selection procedures include the full range of assessment techniques, including but not limited to, traditional paper and pencil tests, performance tests, and physical, educational, and work experience requirements, interviews, and review of application forms.

(n) Significantly Underrepresented Group. "Significantly underrepresented group" means any monitored group for which the percentage of persons from that group employed by the district in any job category listed in section 53004(a) is below eighty percent (80%) of the projected representation for that group in the job category in question.

(o) Target Date. "Target date" means a point in time by which the district plans to meet an established goal for persons with disabilities and thereby achieve projected representation in a particular job category.

(p) Timetable. "Timetable" means a set of specific annual hiring objectives that will lead to meeting a goal for persons with a disability by a projected target date.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 66271.1, 66700 and 70901, Education Code; Section 11138, Government Code. Reference: Statutes of 1988, Chapter 923, Section 4; Sections 66010.2, 66030, 66071, 66270 and 87360, Education Code; Sections 11135-11139.5, 11092 and 12926, Government Code; 29 C.F.R. 1602.48 (1981); 29 C.F.R. 1607; 29 U.S.C. 793; 41 C.F.R. 60-741.2 (1980).

5 CCR § 53002

Cal. Admin. Code tit. 5, § 53002

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§ 53002. Policy Statement.

The governing board of each community college district shall adopt a policy statement setting forth the district's commitment to an equal employment opportunity program. This statement may also incorporate the nondiscrimination policy statement required pursuant to section 59300 and other similar nondiscrimination or equal employment opportunity statements which may be required under other provisions of state and federal law.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 66271.1, 66700 and 70901, Education Code; and Section 11138, Government Code. Reference: Statutes of 1988, Chapter 923, Section 4; Sections 66010.1, 66030, 66071, 66270 and 87360, Education Code; and Sections 11135-11139.5, Government Code.

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§ 53003. District Plan.

(a) The governing board of each community college district shall develop and adopt a districtwide written equal employment opportunity plan to implement its equal employment opportunity program. Such plans and revisions shall be submitted to the Chancellor's Office for review and approval.

(b) Such plans shall be reviewed at least every three years and, if necessary, revised and submitted to the Chancellor's Office for approval. Each community college district shall notify the Chancellor at least 30 days prior to adopting any other amendments to its plan.

(c) In particular, the plan shall include all of the following:

(1) the designation of the district employee or employees who have been delegated responsibility and authority for implementing the plan and assuring compliance with the requirements of this subchapter pursuant to section 53020;

(2) the procedure for filing complaints pursuant to section 53026 and the person with whom such complaints are to be filed;

(3) a process for notifying all district employees of the provisions of the plan and the policy statement required under section 53002;

(4) a process for ensuring that district employees who are to participate on screening or selection committees shall receive appropriate training on the requirements of this subchapter and of state and federal nondiscrimination laws;

(5) a process for providing annual written notice to appropriate community-based and professional organizations concerning the district's plan and the need for assistance from the community and such organizations in identifying qualified applicants;

(6) an analysis of the number of persons from monitored groups who are employed in the

district's work force and those who have applied for employment in each of the job categories listed in section 53004(a);

(7) an analysis of the degree to which monitored groups are underrepresented in comparison to the numbers of persons from such groups whom the Chancellor determines to be available and qualified to perform the work required for each such job category and whether or not the underrepresentation is significant;

(8) methods for addressing any underrepresentation identified pursuant to subparagraph (7)

(9) additional steps consistent with section 53006 to remedy any significant underrepresentation identified in the plan; and

(10) any other measures necessary to further equal employment opportunity throughout the district.

(d) The plan shall include any goals for hiring persons with disabilities that are required by section 53025.

(e) The plans submitted to the Chancellor shall be public records.

(f) Each community college district shall make a continuous good faith effort to comply with the requirements of the plan required under this section.

(g) In developing the availability data called for in subsection (c)(7), the Chancellor shall work through the established Consultation Process.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 66271.1, 66700 and 70901, Education Code; and Section 11138, Government Code. Reference: Statutes of 1988, Chapter 923, Section 4; Sections 66010.2, 66030, 66071, 66270 and 87360, Education Code; and sections 11135-11139.5, Government Code.

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§ 53004. District Evaluation and Report to Chancellor.

(a) Each district shall annually survey its employees and shall monitor applicants for employment on an ongoing basis in order to evaluate the implementation of its equal employment opportunity plan and to provide data needed for the analyses required by sections 53003, 53006, 53023, and 53024. Each district shall annually report to the Chancellor, in a manner prescribed by the Chancellor, the results of its annual survey of employees at each college in the district. Each employee shall be reported so that he or she may be identified as belonging to one of the following seven job categories:

- (1) executive/administrative/managerial;
- (2) faculty and other instructional staff;
- (3) professional nonfaculty;
- (4) secretarial/clerical;
- (5) technical and paraprofessional;
- (6) skilled crafts; and
- (7) service and maintenance.

(b) For purposes of the survey and report required pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, each applicant or employee shall be afforded the opportunity to identify his or her gender, ethnic group identification and, if applicable, his or her disability. A person may designate multiple ethnic groups with which he or she identifies, but shall be counted in only one ethnic group for reporting purposes. Chinese, Japanese, Filipinos, Koreans, Vietnamese, Asian Indians, Hawaiians, Guamanians, Samoans, Laotians, and Cambodians are to be counted and reported as part of the Asian/Pacific Islander group as well as in separate subcategories. However, in determining whether additional steps are necessary to ensure that monitored groups have not

been excluded on an impermissible basis, analysis of the separate subgroups is not necessary.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 66271.1, 66700, 70901 and 87105, Education Code; and Section 11138, Government Code. Reference: Statutes of 1988, Chapter 923, Section 4; Sections 66010.2, 66030, 66071, 66270 and 87360, Education Code; and Sections 8310.5 and 11135-11139.5, Government Code.

5 CCR § 53005

Cal. Admin. Code tit. 5, § 53005

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§ 53005. Advisory Committee.

Each community college district shall establish an Equal Employment Opportunity Advisory Committee to assist the district in developing and implementing the plan required under section 53003. This advisory committee shall include a diverse membership whenever possible.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 66271.1, 66700 and 70901, Education Code; and Section 11138, Government Code. Reference: Statutes of 1988, Chapter 923, Section 4; Sections 66010.2, 66030, 66071, 66270 and 87360, Education Code; and Sections 11135-11139.5, Government Code.

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§ 53006. Additional Steps to Ensure Equal Employment Opportunity.

(a) If a district determines that a particular monitored group is significantly underrepresented with respect to one or more job categories, the district shall take additional steps consistent with this section. At a minimum, the district shall:

(1) review its recruitment procedures and identify and implement any additional measures which might reasonably be expected to attract candidates from the significantly underrepresented group;

(2) consider various other means of reducing the underrepresentation which do not involve taking monitored group status into account, and implement any such techniques which are determined to be feasible and potentially effective;

(3) determine whether the group is still significantly underrepresented in the category or categories in question after the measures described in (1) and (2) have been in place a reasonable period of time; and

(4) if significant underrepresentation persists, the staffing rate for the significantly underrepresented group in the specified job category or categories shall be monitored on an ongoing basis until the projected representation has been achieved for that group in the category or categories in question.

(b) If a reasonable period of time passes and significant underrepresentation persists for a particular group in the job category in question, the district shall:

(1) review each locally established "required," "desired" or "preferred" qualification being used to screen applicants for positions in the job category to determine if it is job-related and consistent with business necessity through a process meeting the requirements of federal law or is among those qualifications which the Board of Governors has found to be job-related and consistent with business necessity throughout the community college system;

(2) discontinue the use of any locally established qualification that has not been found to

satisfy the requirements set forth in paragraph (1) of this subdivision; and

(3) continue using qualification standards meeting the requirements of paragraph (1) only where no alternative qualification standard is reasonably available which would select for the same characteristics, meet the requirements of paragraph (1) and be expected to have a less exclusionary effect.

(c) For purposes of this section, "a reasonable period of time" means three years, or such longer period as the Chancellor may approve, upon the request of the equal employment opportunity advisory committee and the chief executive officer, where the district has not filled enough positions to appreciably affect its work force in the job category in question.

(d) Nothing in this subchapter shall be construed to prohibit a district from taking any other steps it concludes are necessary to ensure equal employment opportunity, provided that such actions are consistent with the requirements of federal and state constitutional and statutory nondiscrimination law.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 66271.1, 66700 and 70901, Education Code; and Section 11138, Government Code. Reference: Statutes of 1988, Chapter 923, Section 4; Sections 66010.2, 66030, 66071, 66270 and 87360, Education Code; and Sections 11135-11139.5, Government Code.

5 CCR § 53010 Cal. Admin. Code tit. 5, § 53010

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§ 53010. Assistance.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 71020 and 87105, Education Code. Reference: Section 87103, Education Code.

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§ 59300. Purpose.

The purpose of this subchapter is to implement the provisions of California Government Code sections 11135 through 11139.5, the Sex Equity in Education Act (Ed. Code s 66250 et seq.), title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. s 2000d), title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. s 1681), section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. s 794), the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. s 12100 et seq.) and the Age Discrimination Act (42 U.S.C. s 6101), to the end that no person in the State of California shall, in whole or in part, on the basis of ethnic group identification, national origin, religion, age, sex, race, color, ancestry, sexual orientation, or physical or mental disability, or on the basis of these perceived characteristics or based on association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, be unlawfully denied full and equal access to the benefits of, or be unlawfully subjected to discrimination under any program or activity that is administered by, funded directly by, or that receives any financial assistance from, the Chancellor or Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 66271.1, 66700 and 70901, Education Code; and Section 11138, Government Code. Reference: Sections 66250 et seq. and 72011, Education Code; Sections 11135-11139.5, Government Code; Sections 422.6 and 422.55, Penal Code; Title 20, United States Code, Section 1681; Title 29, United States Code, Section 794; and Title 42, United States Code, Sections 2000d, 6101 and 12100, et seq.

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§ 59301. Prohibited Discrimination.

Note: Authority cited: Section 11138, Government Code; and Sections 71020 and 71025, Education Code. Reference: Sections 11135 and 11138, Government Code.

5 CCR § 59302 Cal. Admin. Code tit. 5, § 59302

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§ 59302. Academic Requirements.

Nothing in this subchapter shall be interpreted to prohibit bona fide academic requirements for a specific community college program, course or activity.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 66271.1, 66700 and 70901, Education Code; and Section 11138, Government Code. Reference: Sections 66250 et seq. and 72011, Education Code; and Section 11135, Government Code.

5 CCR § 59303 Cal. Admin. Code tit. 5, § 59303

TITLE 5. EDUCATION DIVISION 6. CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES CHAPTER 10. COMMUNITY COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION SUBCHAPTER 5. NONDISCRIMINATION IN PROGRAMS RECEIVING STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE CHANCELLOR OR BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES ARTICLE 1. GENERAL

§ 59303. Delegation of Authority.

Note: Authority cited: Section 11138, Government Code; and Sections 70901 and 71090, Education Code. Reference: Sections 11135 and 11138, Government Code.

5 CCR § 59304 Cal. Admin. Code tit. 5, § 59304

TITLE 5. EDUCATION DIVISION 6. CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES CHAPTER 10. COMMUNITY COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION SUBCHAPTER 5. NONDISCRIMINATION IN PROGRAMS RECEIVING STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE CHANCELLOR OR BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES ARTICLE 1. GENERAL

§ 59304. Intent.

It is the intent of the Board of Governors that the Chancellor assist community college districts in recognizing and eliminating unlawful discrimination that may exist in their programs and activities and in meeting the requirements of this subchapter. Punitive action authorized by this subchapter will be taken only when remedial action has failed to eliminate unlawful discrimination from the programs and activities of a community college district.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 66271.1, 66700 and 70901, Education Code; and Section 11138, Government Code. Reference: Sections 66250 et seq. and 72011, Education Code; and Sections 11135, 11137 and 11139, Government Code.

5 CCR § 59305 Cal. Admin. Code tit. 5, § 59305

TITLE 5. EDUCATION DIVISION 6. CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES CHAPTER 10. COMMUNITY COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION SUBCHAPTER 5. NONDISCRIMINATION IN PROGRAMS RECEIVING STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE CHANCELLOR OR BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES ARTICLE 1. GENERAL

§ 59305. Operative Date.

Note: Authority cited: Section 11138, Government Code; and Sections 71020 and 71025, Education Code. Reference: Sections 11135 and 11138, Government Code.

5 CCR § 59306 Cal. Admin. Code tit. 5, § 59306

TITLE 5. EDUCATION DIVISION 6. CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES CHAPTER 10. COMMUNITY COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION SUBCHAPTER 5. NONDISCRIMINATION IN PROGRAMS RECEIVING STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE CHANCELLOR OR BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES ARTICLE 1. GENERAL

§ 59306. Visitor Parking for Persons with Disabilities.

(a) Each community college district shall, consistent with the requirements of Education Code section 67301, provide visitor parking at each of its colleges or centers at no charge to persons with disabilities or to those providing transportation for such persons.

(b) For purposes of this section only, "persons with disabilities" are those who:

(1) qualify as disabled persons pursuant to section 22511.5 of the Vehicle Code; or

(2) if they were students, would be entitled to special parking provided to students with disabilities pursuant to subchapter 1 (commencing with section 56000) of chapter 7 of this division.

(c) Parking at no charge shall be available to persons with disabilities who are visitors, and to those providing transportation to such persons, in those parking facilities which are most accessible to administrative offices, libraries, and other facilities which the district finds are most used by visitors.

(d) Each community college district shall post in conspicuous places notice that parking is available without charge to persons with disabilities who are visitors and to those providing transportation for such persons.

(e) When parking provided pursuant to this section is located in an area where access is controlled by a mechanical gate, the district shall ensure that accommodations are made for persons with disabilities who are unable to operate the gate controls. Accommodations may be provided by an attendant assigned to assist in the operation of the gate or by any other effective means deemed appropriate by the district.

(f) Parking fees collected pursuant to Education Code section 76360 shall be used to offset any costs resulting from compliance with the requirements of this section.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 66271.1, 66700, 67301 and 70901, Education Code; and Section 11138, Government Code. Reference: Sections 66250 et seq., 67301, 72011 and 76360, Education Code; and Section 22511.5, Vehicle Code.

5 CCR § 59307

Cal. Admin. Code tit. 5, § 59307

TITLE 5. EDUCATION DIVISION 6. CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES CHAPTER 10. COMMUNITY COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION SUBCHAPTER 5. NONDISCRIMINATION IN PROGRAMS RECEIVING STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE CHANCELLOR OR BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES ARTICLE 1. GENERAL

§ 59307. Sexual Harassment and Sex Discrimination.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 232 and 70901, Education Code; and Section 11135, Government Code. Reference: Sections 200 et seq., Education Code.

CALIFORNIA CODES GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 12926.1

12926.1. The Legislature finds and declares as follows:

(a) The law of this state in the area of disabilities provides protections independent from those in the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-336). Although the federal act provides a floor of protection, this state's law has always, even prior to passage of the federal act, afforded additional protections.

(b) The law of this state contains broad definitions of physical disability, mental disability, and medical condition. It is the intent of the Legislature that the definitions of physical disability and mental disability be construed so that applicants and employees are protected from discrimination due to an actual or perceived physical or mental impairment that is disabling, potentially disabling, or perceived as disabling or potentially disabling.

(c) Physical and mental disabilities include, but are not limited to, chronic or episodic conditions such as HIV/AIDS, hepatitis, epilepsy, seizure disorder, diabetes, clinical depression, bipolar disorder, multiple sclerosis, and heart disease. In addition, the Legislature has determined that the definitions of "physical disability" and "mental disability" under the law of this state require a "limitation" upon a major life activity, but do not require, as does the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, a "substantial limitation." This distinction is intended to result in broader coverage under the law of this state than under that federal act. Under the law of this state, whether a condition limits a major life activity shall be determined without respect to any mitigating measures, unless the mitigating measure itself limits a major life activity, regardless of federal law under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Further, under the law of this state, "working" is a major life activity, regardless of whether the actual or perceived working limitation implicates a particular employment or a class or broad range of employments.

(d) Notwithstanding any interpretation of law in Cassista v. Community Foods (1993) 5 Cal.4th 1050, the Legislature intends (1) for state law to be independent of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, (2) to require a "limitation" rather than a "substantial limitation" of a major life activity, and (3) by enacting paragraph (4) of subdivision (i) and paragraph (4) of subdivision (k) of Section **12926**, to provide protection when an individual is erroneously or mistakenly believed to have any physical or mental condition that limits a major life activity.

(e) The Legislature affirms the importance of the interactive process between the applicant or employee and the employer in determining a reasonable accommodation, as this requirement has been articulated by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission in its interpretive guidance of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

CALIFORNIA CODES GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 12940

12940. It shall be an unlawful employment practice, unless based upon a bona fide occupational qualification, or, except where based upon applicable security regulations established by the United States or the State of California:

(a) For an employer, because of the race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, sex, age, or sexual orientation of any person, to refuse to hire or employ the person or to refuse to select the person for a training program leading to employment, or to bar or to discharge the person from employment or from a training program leading to employment, or to discriminate against the person in compensation or in terms, conditions, or privileges of employment.

(1) This part does not prohibit an employer from refusing to hire or discharging an employee with a physical or mental disability, or subject an employer to any legal liability resulting from the refusal to employ or the discharge of an employee with a physical or mental disability, where the employee, because of his or her physical or mental disability, is unable to perform his or her essential duties even with reasonable accommodations, or cannot perform those duties in a manner that would not endanger his or her health or safety or the health or safety of others even with reasonable accommodations.

(2) This part does not prohibit an employer from refusing to hire or discharging an employee who, because of the employee's medical condition, is unable to perform his or her essential duties even with reasonable accommodations, or cannot perform those duties in a manner that would not endanger the employee's health or safety or the health or safety of others even with reasonable accommodations. Nothing in this part shall subject an employer to any legal liability resulting from the refusal to employ or the discharge of an employee who, because of the employee's medical condition, is unable to perform his or her essential duties, or cannot perform those duties in a manner that would not endanger the employee's health or safety or the health or safety of others even with reasonable accommodations.

(3) Nothing in this part relating to discrimination on account of marital status shall do either of the following:

(A) Affect the right of an employer to reasonably regulate, for reasons of supervision, safety, security, or morale, the working of spouses in the same department, division, or facility, consistent with the rules and regulations adopted by the commission.

(B) Prohibit bona fide health plans from providing additional or greater benefits to employees with dependents than to those employees without or with fewer dependents.

(4) Nothing in this part relating to discrimination on account of sex shall affect the right of an employer to use veteran status as a factor in employee selection or to give special consideration to Vietnam era veterans.

(5) Nothing in this part prohibits an employer from refusing to employ an individual because of his or her age if the law compels or provides for that refusal. Promotions within the existing staff, hiring or promotion on the basis of experience and training, rehiring on the basis of seniority and prior service with the employer, or hiring under an established recruiting program from high schools, colleges, universities, or trade schools do not, in and of themselves, constitute unlawful employment practices.

(b) For a labor organization, because of the race, religious

creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, sex, age, or sexual orientation of any person, to exclude, expel or restrict from its membership the person, or to provide only second-class or segregated membership or to discriminate against any person because of the race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, sex, age, or sexual orientation of the person in the election of officers of the labor organization or in the selection of the labor organization's staff or to discriminate in any way against any of its members or against any employer or against any person employed by an employer.

(c) For any person to discriminate against any person in the selection or training of that person in any apprenticeship training program or any other training program leading to employment because of the race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, sex, age, or sexual orientation of the person discriminated against.

(d) For any employer or employment agency to print or circulate or cause to be printed or circulated any publication, or to make any non-job-related inquiry of an employee or applicant, either verbal or through use of an application form, that expresses, directly or indirectly, any limitation, specification, or discrimination as to race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, sex, age, or sexual orientation, or any intent to make any such limitation, specification or discrimination. Nothing in this part prohibits an employer or employment agency from inquiring into the age of an applicant, or from specifying age limitations, where the law compels or provides for that action.

(e) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) or (3), for any employer or employment agency to require any medical or psychological examination of an applicant, to make any medical or psychological inquiry of an applicant, to make any inquiry whether an applicant has a mental disability or physical disability or medical condition, or to make any inquiry regarding the nature or severity of a physical disability, mental disability, or medical condition.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), an employer or employment agency may inquire into the ability of an applicant to perform job-related functions and may respond to an applicant's request for reasonable accommodation.

(3) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), an employer or employment agency may require a medical or psychological examination or make a medical or psychological inquiry of a job applicant after an employment offer has been made but prior to the commencement of employment duties, provided that the examination or inquiry is job-related and consistent with business necessity and that all entering employees in the same job classification are subject to the same examination or inquiry.

(f) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), for any employer or employment agency to require any medical or psychological examination of an employee, to make any medical or psychological inquiry of an employee, to make any inquiry whether an employee has a mental disability, physical disability, or medical condition, or to make any inquiry regarding the nature or severity of a physical disability, mental disability, or medical condition.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), an employer or employment agency may require any examinations or inquiries that it can show to be job-related and consistent with business necessity. An employer or employment agency may conduct voluntary medical examinations, including voluntary medical

histories, which are part of an employee health program available to employees at that worksite.

(g) For any employer, labor organization, or employment agency to harass, discharge, expel, or otherwise discriminate against any person because the person has made a report pursuant to Section 11161.8 of the Penal **Code** that prohibits retaliation against hospital employees who report suspected patient abuse by health facilities or community care facilities.

(h) For any employer, labor organization, employment agency, or person to discharge, expel, or otherwise discriminate against any person because the person has opposed any practices forbidden under this part or because the person has filed a complaint, testified, or assisted in any proceeding under this part.

(i) For any person to aid, abet, incite, compel, or coerce the doing of any of the acts forbidden under this part, or to attempt to do so.

(j) (1) For an employer, labor organization, employment agency, apprenticeship training program or any training program leading to employment, or any other person, because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, sex, age, or sexual orientation, to harass an employee, an applicant, or a person providing services pursuant to a contract. Harassment of an employee, an applicant, or a person providing services pursuant to a contract by an employee, other than an agent or supervisor, shall be unlawful if the entity, or its agents or supervisors, knows or should have known of this conduct and fails to take immediate and appropriate corrective action. An employer may also be responsible for the acts of nonemployees, with respect to sexual harassment of employees, applicants, or persons providing services pursuant to a contract in the workplace, where the employer, or its agents or supervisors, knows or should have known of the conduct and fails to take immediate and appropriate corrective action. In reviewing cases involving the acts of nonemployees, the extent of the employer's control and any other legal responsibility which the employer may have with respect to the conduct of those nonemployees shall be considered. An entity shall take all reasonable steps to prevent harassment from occurring. Loss of tangible job benefits shall not be necessary in order to establish harassment.

(2) The provisions of this subdivision are declaratory of existing law, except for the new duties imposed on employers with regard to harassment.

(3) An employee of an entity subject to this subdivision is personally liable for any harassment prohibited by this section that is perpetrated by the employee, regardless of whether the employer or covered entity knows or should have known of the conduct and fails to take immediate and appropriate corrective action.

(4) (A) For purposes of this subdivision only, "employer" means any person regularly employing one or more persons or regularly receiving the services of one or more persons providing services pursuant to a contract, or any person acting as an agent of an employer, directly or indirectly, the state, or any political or civil subdivision of the state, and cities. The definition of "employer" in subdivision (d) of Section 12926 applies to all provisions of this section other than this subdivision.

(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), for purposes of this subdivision, "employer" does not include a religious association or corporation not organized for private profit, except as provided in Section 12926.2.

(C) For purposes of this subdivision, "harassment" because of sex includes sexual harassment, gender harassment, and harassment based on pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions.

(5) For purposes of this subdivision, "a person providing services pursuant to a contract" means a person who meets all of the following criteria:

(A) The person has the right to control the performance of the contract for services and discretion as to the manner of performance.

(B) The person is customarily engaged in an independently established business.

(C) The person has control over the time and place the work is performed, supplies the tools and instruments used in the work, and performs work that requires a particular skill not ordinarily used in the course of the employer's work.

(k) For an employer, labor organization, employment agency, apprenticeship training program, or any training program leading to employment, to fail to take all reasonable steps necessary to prevent discrimination and harassment from occurring.

(1) For an employer or other entity covered by this part to refuse to hire or employ a person or to refuse to select a person for a training program leading to employment or to bar or to discharge a person from employment or from a training program leading to employment, or to discriminate against a person in compensation or in terms, conditions, or privileges of employment because of a conflict between the person's religious belief or observance and any employment requirement, unless the employer or other entity covered by this part demonstrates that it has explored any available reasonable alternative means of accommodating the religious belief or observance, including the possibilities of excusing the person from those duties that conflict with his or her religious belief or observance or permitting those duties to be performed at another time or by another person, but is unable to reasonably accommodate the religious belief or observance without undue hardship on the conduct of the business of the employer or other entity covered by this part.

Religious belief or observance, as used in this section, includes, but is not limited to, observance of a Sabbath or other religious holy day or days, and reasonable time necessary for travel prior and subsequent to a religious observance.

(m) For an employer or other entity covered by this part to fail to make reasonable accommodation for the known physical or mental disability of an applicant or employee. Nothing in this subdivision or in paragraph (1) or (2) of subdivision (a) shall be construed to require an accommodation that is demonstrated by the employer or other covered entity to produce undue hardship to its operation.

(n) For an employer or other entity covered by this part to fail to engage in a timely, good faith, interactive process with the employee or applicant to determine effective reasonable accommodations, if any, in response to a request for reasonable accommodation by an employee or applicant with a known physical or mental disability or known medical condition.

(o) For an employer or other entity covered by this part, to subject, directly or indirectly, any employee, applicant, or other person to a test for the presence of a genetic characteristic.

CALIFORNIA CODES PENAL CODE SECTIONS 422.55-422.57

422.55. For purposes of this title, and for purposes of all other state law unless an explicit provision of law or the context clearly requires a different meaning, the following shall apply:

(a) "Hate crime" means a criminal act committed, in whole or in part, because of one or more of the following actual or perceived characteristics of the victim:

- (1) Disability.
- (2) Gender.
- (3) Nationality.
- (4) Race or ethnicity.
- (5) Religion.
- (6) Sexual orientation.

(7) Association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics.

(b) "Hate crime" includes, but is not limited to, a violation of Section 422.6.

422.56. For purposes of this title, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) "Association with a person or group with these actual or perceived characteristics" includes advocacy for, identification with, or being on the ground owned or rented by, or adjacent to, any of the following: a community center, educational facility, family, individual, office, meeting hall, place of worship, private institution, public agency, library, or other entity, group, or person that has, or is identified with people who have, one or more of those characteristics listed in the definition of "hate crime" under paragraphs 1 to 6, inclusive, of subdivision (a) of Section **422**.55.

(b) "Disability" includes mental disability and physical disability as defined in Section 12926 of the Government **Code**.

(c) "Gender" means sex, and includes a person's gender identity and gender related appearance and behavior whether or not stereotypically associated with the person's assigned sex at birth.

(d) "In whole or in part because of" means that the bias motivation must be a cause in fact of the offense, whether or not other causes also exist. When multiple concurrent motives exist, the prohibited bias must be a substantial factor in bringing about the particular result. There is no requirement that the bias be a main factor, or that the crime would not have been committed but for the actual or perceived characteristic. This subdivision does not constitute a change in, but is declaratory of, existing law under in re M.S. (1995) 10 Cal. 4th 698 and People v. Superior Court (Aishman) (1995) 10 Cal. 4th 735.

(e) "Nationality" includes citizenship, country of origin, and national origin.

(f) "Race or ethnicity" includes ancestry, color, and ethnic background.(g) "Religion" includes all aspects of religious belief, observance, and

practice and includes agnosticism and atheism.

(h) "Sexual orientation" means heterosexuality, homosexuality, or bisexuality.

(i) "Victim" includes, but is not limited to, a community center, educational facility, entity, family, group, individual, office, meeting hall, person, place of worship, private institution, public agency, library, or other victim or intended victim of the offense. .57. For purposes this **code**, unless an explicit provision of law or the context clearly requires a different meaning, "gender" has the same meaning as in Section **422**.56.

Accreditation Standard II: Student Learning Programs and Services

B. Student Support Services

The institution recruits and admits diverse students who are able to benefit from its programs, consistent with its mission. Student support services address the identified needs of students and enhance a supportive learning environment. The entire student pathway through the institutional experience is characterized by a concern for student access, progress, learning, and success. The institution systematically assesses student support services using student learning outcomes, faculty and staff input, and other appropriate measures in order to improve the effectiveness of these services.

1. The institution assures the quality of student support services and demonstrates that these services, regardless of location or means of delivery, support student learning and enhance achievement of the mission of the institution.

2. The institution provides a catalog for its constituencies with precise, accurate, and current information concerning the following:

- a. General Information
 - Official Name, Address(es), Telephone Number(s), and Web Site Address of the Institution
 - Educational Mission
 - Course, Program, and Degree Offerings
 - Academic Calendar and Program Length
 - Academic Freedom Statement
 - Available Student Financial Aid
 - Available Learning Resources
 - Names and Degrees of Administrators and Faculty
 - Names of Governing Board Members
- b. Requirements
 - Admissions
 - Student Fees and Other Financial Obligations
 - Degree, Certificates, Graduation and Transfer
- c. Major Policies Affecting Students
 - <u>Academic Regulations, including Academic Honesty</u>
 - Nondiscrimination
 - Acceptance of Transfer Credits
 - Grievance and Complaint Procedures
 - Sexual Harassment
 - Refund of Fees