

Student Services

AP 5110 COUNSELING

References:

Education Code Sections 72620 and 72621;
Title 5 Section 51018;
ACCJC Accreditation Standard 2.7

The counseling services available at the colleges include at least the following:

- Academic counseling, in which the student is assisted in assessing, planning, and implementing short- and long-range academic goals;
- Career counseling, in which the student is assisted in assessing aptitudes, abilities, and interests, and is advised concerning current employment trends, projections, and future labor market data;
- Mental health counseling, in which the student is assisted with therapeutic counseling sessions and mental health referrals related to the student's educational success;
- Personal counseling, in which the student is assisted with personal, family, or other social concerns, when that assistance is related to the student's education;
- Coordination with the counseling aspects of other student services which exist on campus, including but not limited to those services provided in programs for students with special needs, basic needs, financial assistance programs, and job placement services.

Confidentiality of Counseling Information

Information of a personal nature disclosed by a student 12 years of age or older in the process of receiving counseling from a counselor is confidential, and shall not become part of the student record without the written consent of the person who disclosed the confidential information. However, the information shall be disclosed when mandated by applicable law, including but not limited to disclosure as necessary to report child abuse or neglect; reporting to the College President/designee or other persons when the counselor has reason to believe that disclosure is necessary to avert a clear and present danger to the health, safety, or welfare of the student or other persons living in the district community; reporting information to the College President/designee or other persons as necessary when the student indicates that a crime involving the likelihood of personal injury or significant or substantial property losses will or has been committed; reporting information to one or more persons specified in a written waiver by the student.

Also see BP 5110 Counseling.

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