

ATTACHMENT 1

**BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES
PROPOSED REVISIONS TO TITLE 5 REGULATIONS:
MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS FOR DISABLED STUDENTS PROGRAMS AND SERVICES EMPLOYEES**

1. Section 53414 of article 1 of subchapter 4 of chapter 4 of division 6 of title 5 of the California Code of Regulations is amended to read:

§ 53414. Minimum Qualifications for Disabled Students Programs and Services Employees

(a) The minimum qualifications for service as a community college counselor of students with disabilities shall be satisfied by meeting one of the following requirements;

- (1) ~~Possession of a m~~ Master's degree, or equivalent foreign degree, in rehabilitation counseling, or
- (2) ~~Possession of a master's degree, or equivalent foreign degree, in special education, and twenty four or more semester units in upper division or graduate level course work in counseling, guidance, student personnel, psychology, or social work; or~~
- (3) ~~(2) A~~Master's degree in counseling, guidance counseling, student personnel, clinical or counseling psychology, education counseling, social work, career development, marriage and family therapy, marriage, family and child counseling, or a Bachelor's degree in marriage and family therapy or in marriage, family and child counseling and possession of a license as a Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT) or social welfare; and either twelve fifteen or more semester units in upper division or graduate level course work specifically in counseling or rehabilitation of individuals related to people with disabilities, or completion of six semester units, or the equivalent of a graduate-level counseling practicum or counseling field work courses, in a post-secondary Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS) Program or in a program dealing predominantly or exclusively with people with disabilities, or two years of full-time experience, or the equivalent, in one or more of the following; (A) Counseling or guidance for students with disabilities; or (B) Counseling and/or guidance in industry, government, public agencies, military or private social welfare organizations in which the responsibilities of the position were predominantly or exclusively for persons with disabilities, or the equivalent.

(b) The minimum requirements for service as a community college faculty member teaching a credit course in adapted physical education shall be the minimum qualifications for an instructor of credit physical education, and fifteen semester units of upper division or graduate study in adapted physical education.

(c) The minimum requirements for service to work with students with speech and language disabilities shall be satisfied by meeting the following requirements:

- (1) Possession of a master's degree, or equivalent foreign degree, in speech pathology and audiology, or in communication disorders; and
- (2) Licensure or eligibility for licensure as a speech pathologist or audiologist by the Medical Board of California.

(d) Except as provided in Subsections (a) through (c) above, the minimum requirements for service as a community college faculty member to provide credit specialized instruction for students with disabilities shall be satisfied by meeting the following requirements:

- (1) Possession of a master's degree, or equivalent foreign degree, in the category of disability, special education, education, psychology, educational psychology, or rehabilitation counseling; and
- (2) Fifteen semester units of upper division or graduate study in the area of disability, to include, but not be limited to:
 - (A) Learning disabilities;
 - (B) Developmental disabilities;
 - (C) Deaf and hearing impaired;
 - (D) Physical disabilities; or
 - (E) Adapted computer technology.

(e) The minimum qualifications for service as a faculty member to provide noncredit specialized instruction for students with disabilities shall be any one of the following:

- (1) The minimum qualifications for providing credit specialized instruction for students with disabilities as specified in this section.
- (2) A bachelor's degree with any of the following majors: education of students with specific or multiple disabilities; special education; psychology; physical education with an emphasis in adaptive physical education; communicative disorders; rehabilitation; computer-based education; other computer-related majors which include course work on adapted or assistive computer technology for students with disabilities; other majors related to providing specialized instruction or services to persons with disabilities.
- (3) An associate degree with one of the majors specified in subparagraph (2) above; and four years of experience providing specialized instruction or services to persons in the disability category or categories being served.

(4) For noncredit vocational courses, an associate degree or certificate of training; and four years of occupational experience related to the subject of the course taught; and two years of experience providing specialized instruction or services to persons in the disability category being served.

(f) The minimum qualifications for service as a community college Learning Disabilities Specialist shall be Master's degree in Learning Disabilities, Special Education, Education, Psychology, Speech Language Pathology, Communication Disorders, Educational or School Psychology, Counseling, or Rehabilitation Counseling and fifteen semester units of upper division or graduate study in the area of learning disabilities, to include, but not limited to adult cognitive and achievement assessment or the equivalent.

Note: Authority cited: Sections 70901 and 87356, Education Code. Reference: Sections 70901(b)(1)(B) and 87356.