First Friday Noncredit Webinars
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Noncredit Myth Busting!

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• California Education Code

• California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 5
Statutes Governing Curriculum

EDUCATION CODE

TITLE 3. POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

DIVISION 7. COMMUNITY COLLEGES

PART 43. THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES..........70900 - 70902
PART 50. FINANCE..........84000 - 85304
Title 5 Regulations Governing Curriculum

Title 5. Education

**Division 6. California Community Colleges**

Chapter 1. Board of Governors
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Chapter 10. Community College Administration
• 6th Ed (Jul 2017)

• Part III.......Noncredit Curriculum

• When in doubt, let PCAH help you find out
MYTH #1
Distance Education is not permitted in noncredit

“Noncredit courses cannot be offered by distance education. Is this true?”

• Title 5, section 58003.1 (f)(2)
• Alternative student attendance accounting procedure to tabulate FTES (full-time equivalent student) generated in noncredit distance education courses.
• While few colleges offer noncredit distance education classes, doing so is permissible.
• Chancellor’s Office publishes an annual report on distance education. The report summarizes credit and noncredit distance education enrollment trends, statewide.
• Program and Course Approval Handbook (PCAH, 6th Ed.), section 3 describes noncredit distance education instructional requirements
• Distance Education is permissible in noncredit

• Status: MYTH BUSTED!
MYTH #2
A noncredit course may be offered in ANY area of instruction

- ESL
- Immigrant Education
- Elementary and Secondary Basic Skills
- Health and Safety
- Substantial Disabilities
- Parenting
- Home Economics
- Older Adults
- Short-term Vocational
- Workforce Preparation

- Noncredit courses are limited to categories specified in:
  - EC § 84757 – Noncredit Courses
  - Title 5, § 58160 – Noncredit Course Funding

• Status: MYTH BUSTED!

Note: § 58160. Noncredit Course Funding.
(b) The provisions of sections 58050, 58051, 58051.5, 58130 and related provisions of [title 5, chapter 9] also apply in determining whether a noncredit course is eligible for funding.
MYTH #3
Units can be awarded in noncredit

• Hint: “Non” credit

• Title 5 § 55002 (c) – Standards and Criteria for Courses
  • “…Course outline of record shall specify…student contact hours [not units!]…”

• EC 84757
  • “… a course for which no credit is given…”

• Not to be confused with the Adult High School Diploma (AHSD) program
  • Title 5 § 55154
  • Awards “high school credit” (not “college units”) for courses taken towards completion of the adult high school diploma program

• Status: MYTH BUSTED!
MYTH #4
Dance courses can be offered in noncredit

• NOT!!!

• Dance courses are not permitted in noncredit

• “No state aid or apportionment may be claimed on account of the attendance of students in noncredit classes in dancing or recreational physical education.” (California Code of Regulations, Title 5, § 58130)


• Status: MYTH BUSTED!
MYTH #5: PE (Physical Education) courses can be offered in noncredit

• NOT!!!

• Physical Education courses are not permitted in noncredit

• “No state aid or apportionment may be claimed on account of the attendance of students in noncredit classes in dancing or recreational physical education.” (California Code of Regulations, Title 5, § 58130)


• Status: MYTH BUSTED!
Apportionment Restrictions on Noncredit Dance and Recreational PE Courses

- While the **courses may still be approved** and offered under the current noncredit course approval policies; they **may not be included in attendance data for apportionment purposes**.

- Determining whether or not a course falls into these categories and deciding if a course should be added to the schedule is a **matter of careful consideration for each campus**.

- Respectively, an **ongoing review** of noncredit course offerings in the **0835.xx (Physical Education) or 1008.xx (Dance) T.O.P. codes** is imperative.

- If a college chooses to offer these courses, even though they may have been approved by CCCCCO, the college **may not include the courses in its noncredit attendance calculations for the Apportionment Attendance Reports (CCFS-320)**, therefore a college may want to review the fiscal efficacy of such a decision.

Source: PCAH. See also CCR Title 5, § 58130
MYTH #6:
A CCCC0 approved noncredit certificate may be offered in ANY area of instruction

• “Woo hoo!!! My college now offers AEBG [etc.] courses and I cannot wait to submit a new [insert title] CDCP certificate for approval!”

• EC § 84760.5, CDCP (Career Development and College Preparation)

• Title 5 § 55151, CDCP (Career Development and College Preparation)

• Title 5 § 55155, Approval of Noncredit Certificates

• CDCP certificates limited to ESL, Elementary and Secondary Basic Skills, Workforce Preparation, and Short-term Vocational with High Employment Potential.

• While there is some overlap between AEBG and CDCP, not all AEBG program areas qualify as CDCP

• Locally approved certificates ok – cannot refer to as a Certificate of Completion or a Certificate of Competency

• Status: MYTH BUSTED!
MYTH #7:
Noncredit coursework cannot be transcripted

• Transcripting noncredit coursework is optional
• Practices very between colleges; some issue a separate transcript that denotes noncredit coursework only; other colleges place both credit and noncredit on the same transcript

• Status: MYTH BUSTED!
MYTH #8: Grading is not allowed in noncredit

Title 5 § 55021. Grading Policies

• (a) The governing board of each community college district shall establish a uniform grading policy for all colleges within the district. The policy shall be based on sound academic principles and be consistent with the requirements of this chapter.

• (b) The grading policy shall require that all work in all degree-applicable and nondegree-applicable credit courses shall be graded in accordance with a grading system adopted by the governing board consistent with section 55023.

• (c) The grading policy may provide for award of grades in noncredit courses, including courses which are part of a high school diploma program or may be accepted for high school credit by a high school.

• Status: **MYTH BUSTED!**

source: CCR Title 5, 55021
MYTH #9: Grading is not allowed in noncredit

Title 5 § 55023. Academic Record Symbols and Grade Point Average

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<td>No Pass (Less than satisfactory, or failing - units not counted in GPA. NP has the same meaning as “NC” 2007.)</td>
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<td>SP</td>
<td>Satisfactory Progress towards completion of the course (Used for noncredit courses only and is not supplanted by any other symbol.)</td>
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**Status:**

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source: CCR Title 5, 55023
MYTH #10: Noncredit courses are not repeatable

Title 5

• § 55002. Standards and Criteria for Courses
  
    Noncredit:

    (c)(4) Repetition. Repeated enrollment is allowed only in accordance with provisions of article 4 of subchapter 1 of chapter 6 [...].

• § 55044. Repetition of Variable Unit Courses

  ...silent on noncredit

• § 58161. Apportionment for Course Enrollment

  ...silent on noncredit

• **Status:** MYTH BUSTED!
MYTH #11: Noncredit has fees!

• No fees* in noncredit

• *Health Fee: “Generally speaking, the fee may be charged of all students, whether or not they choose to use the health services. Districts may choose to charge or exempt noncredit students at their discretion [...]” (CCCCO Student Fee Handbook (2010), p. 16)
Noncredit Resources

• Academic Affairs Noncredit Curriculum Webpage
  http://extranet.cccco.edu/Divisions/AcademicAffairs/CurriculumandInstructionUnit/Curriculum/NoncreditCurriculumandInstructionalPrograms.aspx

• Annual CDCP Legislative Report - *Preparing Students for Careers and College Through Noncredit Enhanced Funding (2016-17)*
  http://californiacommunitycolleges.cccco.edu/ChancellorsOffice/ReportsandResources.aspx

• Legislative Analyst’s Office (LAO) – *Effects of Increases in Noncredit Course Funding Rates (2017)*
  http://www.lao.ca.gov/Publications/Report/3635

• Association of Community and Continuing Education (ACCE)
  www.acceonline.org

• ASCCC Noncredit Committee
  http://www.asccc.org/directory/noncredit-committee

• Basic Skills Initiative
  http://extranet.cccco.edu/Divisions/AcademicAffairs/BasicSkillsEnglishasaSecondLanguage.aspx

• CCCCO Program and Course Approval Handbook, 6th Ed
Noncredit First Friday Webinar Dates

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All webinars are 12:00-1:30, unless noted otherwise

Webinar dates or times may change and will be announced across CCC list-serves. Archived webinars are posted to the Chancellor’s Office [Noncredit Webinars](#) webpage.
What’s next for First Friday Webinars?

✓ Mirrored Courses
✓ Guided Pathways and Noncredit
✓ Curriculum Development
✓ Student Support (SSSP)
✓ Regional Initiatives (AEBG, Strong Workforce)
✓ Developing Noncredit (Instruction, Data and Accountability, Administration)
✓ Noncredit Advocacy
✓ And more!
Questions?
May the noncredit force be with you!

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Evaluation Survey

Please help us improve the monthly Noncredit Webinars!

Is there a noncredit myth you want busted?

Submit a short anonymous online survey