



Baccalaureate Degree Program Workgroup Charter

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BACKGROUND

On September 28, 2014, California Governor Jerry Brown signed Senate Bill 850 (Block, 2014) authorizing the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges (BOG), in consultation with representatives of the California State University (CSU) and the University of California (UC), to establish a statewide baccalaureate degree pilot program at no more than 15 California community colleges. The provisions of SB 850 were scheduled to become inoperative in July 2023 until Assembly Bill 927, authored by state Senator Jerry Hill, extended the sunset date to July 2026.

ESTABLISHMENT AND AUTHORITY

On October 6, 2021, California Governor Gavin Newsom signed AB 927 (Medina) authorizing the BOG to expand and extend the operation of the statewide baccalaureate degree pilot program indefinitely. The bill amends Education Code Section 78040 et seq. to authorize the BOG to establish up to 30 baccalaureate degree programs annually, with a maximum of 15 in each of two application cycles.

The CCCCO has established a two-year Baccalaureate Degree Program Workgroup to discuss and provide recommendations for implementing the expanded requirements of AB 927 in the California Community Colleges.

MEMBERSHIP

Baccalaureate Degree Program Workgroup members are appointed by a representative set of stakeholder groups and associations within the California Community Colleges. Each member serves a one-year term and is eligible for a second year, as determined by their appointing group/association.

Voting Members

- Two representatives from the Educational Services and Support division of the Chancellor's Office
- Two representatives from the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges
- Three representatives from the Baccalaureate Degree Program Steering Committee
- One representative from the California Community Colleges Curriculum Committee (5C)
- One student representative and one alternate (appointed by the Student Senate for California Community Colleges)
- One Articulation Officer (appointed by the ASCCC)

- One Chief Instructional Officer/Vice President of Instruction/Vice President of Academic Affairs (appointed by the California Community Colleges Chief Instructional Officers organization)
- One Chief Student Services Officer/Vice President of Student Services (appointed by the Chief Student Services Officers Association)
- One representative from the California Association of Community College Registrars and Admissions Officers
- One representative from the Workforce and Economic Development division of the CCCCO
- One representative from the College Finance and Facilities Planning division of the CCCCO

Additional CCCCO staff may attend Baccalaureate Degree Program Workgroup meetings at the discretion of the Vice Chancellor of Educational Services and Support.

LEADERSHIP

The California Community Colleges Baccalaureate Degree Program Workgroup is overseen by the Dean from the Educational Services and Support division.

PURPOSE AND RESPONSIBILITY

The purpose of the Baccalaureate Degree Program Workgroup is to support the implementation of the new requirements of AB 927. The Baccalaureate Degree Program Workgroup will coordinate with the CCCCO to provide guidance and support for implementation and expansion of the Baccalaureate Degree Program.

The goals of the Baccalaureate Degree Program Workgroup are as follows:

- To revise the Baccalaureate Degree Program handbook
- To revise the Program and Course Approval Handbook (PCAH)
- To review proposed baccalaureate degree programs
- To vet a new funding model that is aligned with EDC §78042 and the Student Centered Funding Formula (SCFF)

DECISION MAKING AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A quorum is more than 50% of the voting members present in person or by teleconference. Vacancies do not count toward the determination of the quorum. The Baccalaureate Degree Program Workgroup shall make every effort to reach consensus when making recommendations. If consensus is not reached, then recommendations shall be made by simple majority vote of the voting membership present.