



**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING  
TO CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5 REGARDING  
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB) AND COLLEGE LEVEL  
EXAMINATION PROGRAM (CLEP) EXAMINATIONS**

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Board of Governors Procedures and Standing Orders, that the Board proposes to adopt the regulatory action described below after a public hearing and considering all comments, objections, or recommendations received regarding the proposed action.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

A public hearing will be held via Zoom videoconferencing during the next regularly scheduled Board of Governors meeting on September 21-22, 2020. The hearing will commence at 12:30 p.m. on September 21, 2020 and will continue the next day at 9:00 a.m., September 22, 2020.

To prevent the spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19), the Board of Governors is temporarily offering an additional method for public comment. The public is encouraged to watch the board meeting online and either submit a written public comment or provide public comment to the Board of Governors, details are below.

**Public Comment:** Members of the public wishing to comment on specific board items or during the Public Forum may do so using one of the following methods:

**a)** Once the Public Comment period for the Board item is open, you may use the Raise Hand feature on the Zoom platform to make a verbal public comment to the Board. A Chancellor's Office employee will announce your name and grant you the ability to speak to the Board. You are requested to identify yourself and present your public comment at that time.

**b)** You may submit your comment by email

to [boardcomments@cccco.edu](mailto:boardcomments@cccco.edu). In the email subject line, specify the item number you wish to comment on or indicate "Public Forum." You may identify yourself or specify that you wish to remain anonymous at the top of your email. A Chancellor's Office employee will read your comment to the Board. Written public comments are accepted until the conclusion of the Board item.

Regardless of the method of comment, all comments will be limited to three minutes.

### **ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCING**

Please use the link below to join the webinar:

<https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/381430034>

Dial US: +1 669 900 6833 | Webinar ID: 381 430 034

Password: **234632**

International numbers available: <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/u/acIPAzrcGq>

### **WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD**

Any interested person may submit written comments relevant to the proposed regulatory action. To help ensure comments are understood as they are intended, we suggest that they clearly identify the proposed regulatory action that each comment addresses, with reference to specific section and subparagraph numbers where appropriate. Please arrange comments in the same order as in the proposed regulatory action. Comments should be addressed to:

Regulations Coordinator  
California Community Colleges  
Chancellor's Office  
1102 Q Street, Suite 4550  
Sacramento, CA 95811-6549  
[regcomments@cccco.edu](mailto:regcomments@cccco.edu)

Comments must be received by the Regulations Coordinator prior to 4:00 p.m. on October 23, 2020. All written comments received by CCCCO staff during the public comment period are subject to disclosure under the Public Records Act.

## **CHANGES OR MODIFICATIONS TO PROPOSED TITLE 5 AMENDMENTS**

Following the public hearing and considering all timely and relevant comments received, the Board of Governors may adopt the proposed regulatory action substantially as described in this Notice or may modify the proposed regulatory action if the modifications are sufficiently related to the original text. With the exception of technical or grammatical changes, the full text of any modified proposed regulatory action will be available for 15 days prior to its adoption, and will be provided to those persons who have requested or are required to receive notification of regulatory actions, or who have provided written or oral comments relevant to the proposed regulatory action.

## **AUTHORITY AND REFERENCE**

Authority: Sections 70901 and 70901.5, Education Code.

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## **INFORMATIVE DIGEST**

The Chancellor's Office in partnership with the California Community Colleges Curriculum Committee (5C) is recommending the adoption of title 5 § 55052.5, International Baccalaureate and College Level Examination Program Examinations. Existing title 5 regulation, § 55050, Credit for Prior Learning, requires districts and colleges to make various methods of Prior Learning Assessment (PLA) available to students. Currently, colleges locally adopt standards for awarding course credit and performance levels for International Baccalaureate (IB) and College Level Examination Program (CLEP) Examinations. The adoption of a title 5 regulatory policy will create consistent and equitable opportunities and outcomes for students. Specifically, the proposed regulation requires the Chancellor, in collaboration with the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC), to develop policy guidelines on the minimum passing scores and units for the International Baccalaureate and/or the College Level Examination Program examinations. Policy guidelines will be distributed to community college districts annually to inform the adoption of local policies to grant credit for satisfactory completion of IB and/or CLEP examinations. To ensure intersegmental alignment, best practice from the California State University (CSU) system on minimum scores and units will be considered when establishing standards for passing scores.

## **ESTIMATED COST OR SAVINGS OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

The estimated cost or savings of the proposed amendments are anticipated to be as follows:

Mandate on local agencies or community college districts: *Yes*.

Cost or savings to state agencies: *None*

Costs to local agencies or community college districts for which reimbursement would be required pursuant to part 7 (commencing with section 17500) of division 4 title 2 of the Government Code: *None*.

Other non-discretionary cost or savings imposed on community college districts: *None*.

Cost or savings in federal funding to state agencies: *None*

The proposed amendments to title 5 would result in no fiscal impact to local or state governments, nor will it have any fiscal impact on any federal funding.

## **CONTACT PERSON**

Inquiries concerning the content of these regulations may be directed to the Regulations Coordinator, at [regcomments@cccco.edu](mailto:regcomments@cccco.edu).

## **TEXT OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS AND CORRESPONDING DOCUMENTS**

Copies of the exact language of the proposed regulatory action, and all of the information upon which the proposal is based, may be obtained online at:

[Office of General Counsel - Pending Regulatory Action](#)

Those who receive the Board of Governors Agenda package for the September 21-22, 2020 meeting can find a further description of the proposal and the full text of the regulatory action. You may also request a copy of the proposal from the Regulations Coordinator using the contact information provided above.