

TO: Chief Executive Officers
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RE: Amendment to California Code of Regulations (CCR) title 5 Local Approval of Noncredit Curriculum

Background

In response to stakeholders in the California Community College System, the Board of Governors (BOG) of the California Community Colleges approved and adopted changes in the regulations governing the approval of noncredit curriculum. These actions build upon the foundation and framework to equalize noncredit curriculum approval process to that of credit curriculum approval processes in order to be more responsive to the curricular needs of the students in the California Community College system.

On March 14, 2019, the California Community Colleges Curriculum Committee (5C) recommended amendments to the regulations governing noncredit curriculum. The proposed regulatory changes were forwarded to the Consultation Council for review. During its meeting held on July 15-16, 2019, the Board of Governors approved [Agenda Item 2.4, Noncredit Regulation Changes](#) (pp. 27-39).

The amended title 5 regulations governing the approval of noncredit curriculum are as follows:

- §55150 – Approval of Noncredit Courses and Programs
- §55151 – Career Development and College Preparation
- §55154 – Adult High School Diploma Programs
- §55155 – Noncredit Certificates
- §58160 – Noncredit Course Funding

Pending Regulatory Actions

The Board of Governors adopts regulations pursuant to the authority of Education Code section 70901.5. The [proposed amendments to the title 5 regulations](#) governing the approval of noncredit curriculum and the [notice of proposed rulemaking](#) are posted to the web page of the Chancellor's Office, [Office of the General Counsel](#).

The regulatory changes are currently in the process of formal adoption and filing with the California Secretary of State and will be published by the State of California Office of Administrative Law. Once these pending components of the regulatory enactment process are finalized and complete, the Chancellor's Office, [Office of the General Counsel](#) will make the announcement via the [Regulatory Actions](#) web page, as well as through established channels of system-wide communication.

Chancellor's Office Curriculum Inventory (COCI)

Please continue to submit noncredit course and program proposals to the Chancellor's Office, via the Curriculum Inventory ("COCI") system. Additional guidance on the state chaptering of locally approved noncredit curriculum (streamlined auto-approved submissions) and annual certifications for local approval will be forthcoming.

If you have questions, please contact Dean Raul Arambula via email at raramubula@cccco.edu.

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