

Proposed Revisions to the Board of Governors Standing Orders Concerning the Approval of Baccalaureate Degree Programs

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SECTION 429 IS ADDED TO ARTICLE 7 OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS STANDING ORDERS

429. Baccalaureate Degree Program.

The Board hereby delegates to the President of the Board its authority under Article 3 (commencing with Section 78040) of Chapter 1, of Part 48, of Division 7, of Title 3 of the Education Code to approve community college district baccalaureate degree programs on the recommendation of the Chancellor. In making a recommendation to the President, the Chancellor shall consider all documentation provided by a district seeking approval of a baccalaureate degree program, and any formal comments received from the University of California and the California State University in relation to a district's application.

The President shall approve proposed baccalaureate degree programs that will provide Californians with a high-quality undergraduate education at an affordable price, and will contribute to California's economic growth and global competitiveness through work force improvement, based on statewide and regional workforce data, the program's financial viability, potential duplication of programs offered by the University of California or the California State University, and other relevant factors.

In considering whether a proposed baccalaureate degree program duplicates an existing program, the Chancellor may consider the relative geographical locations of programs, the content and teaching methodology of the programs, and any other factors that would provide a meaningful distinction between programs upon which students might choose between otherwise similar programs.