

Approved by the Faculty Senate, May 8, 2014

FS 13/14-121/APC/EX Graduation Requirements of Applicable Catalog, Amendment Of

The Faculty Senate recommends amendment to the graduation requirement of applicable catalog, effective one month after policy has been signed by the President.

1. Establishes a clear policy for when catalog rights are established, as policies change throughout an academic year.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Provisions for electing a campus catalog under which to meet graduation requirements are provided in the California Administrative Code, Title 5, Section 40401, Election of Regulations. Section 40401 provides for the establishment of catalog rights, defines continuous attendance, authorizes campuses to establish time limits for completing graduation requirements, and provides for changes in requirements when students change majors or minors. These provisions, along with any campus-specific information, are discussed in the sections that follow.

CATALOG RIGHTS

"Catalog rights" is a term used to define the specific set of requirements ordinarily as established in the catalog for a specific year, which the student must satisfy to qualify for a degree, certificate, etc.

The University Catalog exists for one year, beginning the first day of each Fall semester. Changes that have been accepted by the Senate by the established due date for program or curricular changes will take effect the first day of the following academic year.

Students may choose to qualify for graduation under the requirements in effect either (1) at the time they began attending any California community college or CSU campus, or (2) at the time they entered the CSU campus from which they will graduate, or (3) at the time they graduate from the CSU. In order to maintain their "rights," students must remain in continuous attendance (see definition below).

Carried.