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Disciplines List First Hearing 2025-2026 Cycle

Information for Area Meetings
Fall 2025 | Friday, October 10, 2025

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Hearing Description

Annually, the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges conducts a review of the Disciplines List, which establishes the minimum qualifications for the faculty of California Community Colleges. For the 2025-2026 cycle, the ASCCC received a revision proposal submission for Mathematics, a new discipline list proposal for Counseling: Mental Health, and a new discipline list proposal for Uncrewed Aircraft System (UAS) Technology . The ASCCC Fall 2025 Plenary Session will host the first hearing for the proposals. The Disciplines List 1st Hearing will be held **Friday, November 7, 2025 from 8:00a.m. to 8:45a.m..** Anyone desiring to learn more about the Disciplines List process are also encouraged to attend. Participants are also able to access the [Disciplines List 1st Hearing virtually](#). Please visit the [Disciplines List website](#) for more information on the Disciplines List Process.



Discipline List Revision Annual Timeline

- Initial information on the submission process and timeline went out in February 2025
- Proposal Submissions began in March 2025
- September 30, 2025 – Proposal Submission Deadline
- First Hearing – ASCCC Fall 2025 Plenary **(WE ARE HERE)**
- Second Hearing – ASCCC Spring 2026 Plenary
- Final Proposal Submitted as an ASCCC Resolution to be either voted up or down (no amendments)
- An agenda item for the California Community College Board of Governors (BoG) is prepared based on any adopted Discipline List Revision resolutions.
- Once BoG approves ASCCC adopted revisions, updates to the Minimum Qualifications Handbook are made



Three Proposals for 2025-2026 Cycle

- Mathematics – Revision (for more strict MQs)
- Counseling: Mental Health – New Discipline
- Uncrewed Aircraft System (UAS) Technology – New Discipline



Mathematics - Revision

PROPOSAL LANGUAGE:

Master's in mathematics or applied mathematics

OR

Bachelor's in either of the above

AND

Master's in statistics, physics or mathematics education with a minimum of 18 units of graduate-level mathematics

OR the equivalent



Counseling: Mental Health - NEW

PROPOSAL LANGUAGE:

Master's in Counseling, Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, OR Clinical or Counseling Psychology

AND

A current, valid license issued by the California Board of Psychology or the California Board of Behavioral Sciences

OR

The minimum qualifications as set by the California Board of Psychology or California Board of Behavioral Sciences for licensed psychologists, clinical social workers, professional clinical counselors or marriage and family therapists.

OR the equivalent

(NOTES: A Doctorate in Psychology AND license by the California Board of Psychology is equivalent. A registrant or associate under the supervision of an eligible licensed psychotherapist employed by the California Community College system, as recognized by the Board of Psychology or Board of Behavioral Sciences, is an alternative qualification for this discipline.)



Uncrewed Aircraft System (UAS) Technology - NEW

PROPOSAL LANGUAGE:

A Bachelor's degree or higher in any field with two years of professional experience in Uncrewed and Autonomous Systems, Uncrewed Systems, Uncrewed Aircraft Systems, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, Unmanned Aerial Systems, or Drone Technology, and a Remote Pilot (Part 107) Certificate from the Federal Aviation Administration.

Or

An Associate's degree in any field with six years of professional experience in Uncrewed and Autonomous Systems, Uncrewed Systems, Uncrewed Aircraft Systems, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, Unmanned Aerial Systems, or Drone Technology, and a Remote Pilot (Part 107) Certificate from the Federal Aviation Administration.



Other Details

- Disciplines List FIRST Hearing scheduled:
 - **Friday, November 7, 2025, 8:00am – 8:45am**
 - Access the hearing virtual link [here](#) ; you are not required to be registered for the Fall Plenary to attend and/or participate in the hearing.
- [ASCCC Disciplines Handbook](#)
- More information found on the [ASCCC disciplines list website](#)

