

**BOARD POLICY 4260 PREREQUISITES AND CO-REQUISITES**

The Peralta Community College District is authorized to establish pre-requisites, co-requisites and advisories on recommended preparation for courses in the curriculum. All such pre-requisites, co-requisites, and advisories shall be established in accordance with the standards set out in Title 5. Any pre-requisites, co-requisites or advisories shall be necessary and appropriate for achieving the purpose for which they are established. The procedures shall include a way in which a pre-requisite or co-requisite may be challenged by a student on grounds permitted by law. Pre-requisites, co-requisites, and advisories shall be identified in District publications available to students.

The District recognizes that, if these prerequisites, co-requisites, advisories, and limitations are established unnecessarily or inappropriately, they constitute unjustifiable obstacles to student access and success (disproportionate impact) and, therefore, the District will use caution and careful scrutiny in establishing them. Nonetheless, the District recognizes that it is as important to have prerequisites in place where they are a vital factor in maintaining academic standards as it is to avoid establishing prerequisites where they are not needed.

Reference:

Title 5 Sections 55000 and 55003

Replaces:

Board Policy 9.01, Prerequisites, Co-requisites, Advisories and Other Limitations on Enrollment, adopted April 26, 1994.

Board Policy, 9.02, Prerequisites, Co-requisites, Advisories and Other Limitations on Enrollment, adopted April 26, 1994.

Board Policy 10.01, Disproportionate Impact, adopted April 26, 1994

Board Policy 10.02, Disproportionate Impact, adopted April 26, 1994

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