

310-00 FACULTY CREDENTIALING—POLICY

Coconino Community College (CCC) employs a diverse faculty who are creative, experienced, and dedicated to promoting the mission and values of CCC. The purpose of faculty credentialing is to assure the students and community that faculty hired possess the content expertise to teach their assigned courses and promote high quality programs.

Coconino Community College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) and follows the HLC standards for credentialing faculty. Minimum qualifications for faculty are set in place by the Credentialing Committee at Coconino Community College for General Education transfer courses, degree programs, and in Career and Technical Education (CTE) to guarantee students are taught by faculty who are authorities in the subject they teach. Qualified faculty are able to communicate knowledge in their subject matter, support student success in academic programs, and mentor their students as they work towards completing their certificate or degrees to achieve their career goals.

The credentialing procedure will ensure HLC standards for faculty qualifications are systematically applied by the institution and ensure students receive instruction from highly qualified faculty who are authorities in the subjects they teach. For additional details on faculty credentialing requirements, please see procedure (310-01 Faculty Credentialing).

BACKGROUND

1. References: *Determining Qualified Faculty Through HLC's Criteria for Accreditation and Assumed Practices*, March 2016.
2. Revision history: 12/03/2017 (new)
3. Legal review:
4. Sponsor: Academic Affairs

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