

College Catalog Policy Review

The review examined the Board policies of San Bernardino, Santa Clarita, Gavilan, Merced, and Monterey Peninsula community college districts. Of the districts reviewed, only MPC had an existing college catalog board policy, dating from 1988.

The MPC college catalog policy contains the same statements on college philosophy, functions and objectives, description of institutional programs and courses, academic policies and procedures. It is more specific by noting admissions and residency requirements, fees, scholarship standards, grading systems, credit by examination, probations, dismissal, academic renewal, and student rights and responsibilities.

Recommendation

The Community College League and the other four colleges reviewed have no provision for a specific college catalog board policy. If we intend to retain a college catalog board policy, it would appear that Monterey Peninsula CCD policy is much more specific. However, Hartnell College could include the provision for a college catalog in our curricular offerings policy and eliminate the current stand alone policy. This would appear to be more in keeping with contemporary policies at other colleges.