

**APPLICATION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF A  
DEPARTMENTAL POLICY FOR EQUIVALENCY**

From (Chair): Nick Deftereos

Date: 1/10/19

Department: Agriculture and Natural Resources

Extension: 3736


Discipline(s): Fire Technology and Forestry/Natural Resources (Natural Resources)

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**I. TENURED FACULTY SIGNATURE(S)**

Signature of the Tenured Faculty Who Determined that the Proposed Policy Should Satisfy the Equivalency Requirements:

Printed Name: Joshua Soderlund

Signature:  Date: 1/10/19

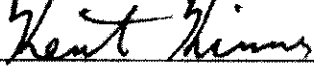
*(If tenured faculty member in the discipline is not available, a tenured faculty member from a "related discipline", as defined in the Minimum Qualifications for Faculty and Administrators in California Community Colleges handbook, may sign after consulting with the non-tenured faculty.)*

A majority of faculty from the discipline or related disciplines is required to sign in support below. .

Printed Name: Louie M. Long Jr

Signature:  Date: 1-10-19  
Support:  Oppose:

Printed Name: Kent Kinney

Signature:  Date: 1/10/19  
Support:  Oppose:

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Support: \_\_\_\_\_ Oppose: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Support: \_\_\_\_\_ Oppose: \_\_\_\_\_

II. Statement of minimum qualifications as defined in the *Minimum Qualifications for Faculty and Administrators in California Community Colleges* handbook:

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The minimum qualifications for disciplines on this list (*i.e. Fire Technology and ~~Forestry/Natural Resources~~*) are any bachelor's degree or higher and two years of professional experience, or any associate degree and six years of professional experience. Professional experience is required when the applicant possesses a master's degree. The professional experience required must be directly related to the faculty member's teaching assignment.

III. Recommended Departmental Policy for an *Equivalency*:

National Wildfire Coordinating Group\* Instructor or equivalent (*e.g. California State Fire Marshal Training Instructor*)

AND

6 years of professional job experience in the field to be taught


IV. Please provide an explanation that justifies this policy if different than state minimum qualifications:

To become a National Wildfire Coordinating Group instructor, the individual shall complete and have successfully passed the following:

1. Firefighter Type 2 (FFT2) –  
Required Training Courses: Introduction to ICS (ICS-100), Human Factors in the Wildland Fire Service (L-180), Firefighter Training (S-130), Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior (S-190) and NIMS: An Introduction (IS-700)  
Required Experience: None
2. Firefighter Type 1 (FFT1) or equivalent –  
Required Training Courses: Annual Fireline Safety Refresher (RT-130) and Firefighter Type 1 (S-131)  
Required Experience: Satisfactory performance as a (FFT2) and completion and certification of position task book (PTB) as (FFT1)
3. Crew Boss, Single Resource or equivalent –  
Required Training Courses: ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents (ICS-200), Annual Fireline Safety Refresher (RT-130), Crew Boss (Single Resource) (S-230) and Intermediate Wildland Fire Behavior (S-290)

**DEPARTMENT CHAIR OR DIVISION REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE**

Printed Name: Nick DeStefano

Signature:  Date: 1/10/19

Do any of the colleges in the district offer a comparable program? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_  No  
If so, which colleges: \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, have RC Faculty reviewed this departmental policy with the appropriate faculty at the other colleges offering a comparable program? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No  
If so, which instructors: \_\_\_\_\_

(Faculty from other colleges may include a statement of support or non-support).

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**DEAN OF INSTRUCTION/STUDENT SERVICES SIGNATURE**

Printed Name: DAVID CLARIC

Signature:  Date: 1/10/19

Required Experience: Satisfactory performance as a (FFT1) and completion and certification of position task book (PTB) as a Crew Boss, Single Resource or equivalent

4. Strike Team Leader Crew or equivalent –

Required Training Courses: Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents (ICS-300), NRF: An Introduction (IS-800B), Annual Fireline Safety Refresher (RT-130), Fire Operations in the Wildland/Urban Interface (S-215) and Task Force/Strike Team Leader (S-330)

Required Experience: Satisfactory performance as a Crew Boss, Single Resource or equivalent and completion and certification of position task book (PTB) as a Strike Team Leader Crew or equivalent

\*The National Wildfire Coordinating Group administers federal training standards for wildland firefighting for the Forest Service (U.S. Department of Agriculture), National Park Service (U.S. Department of the Interior), United States Fire Administration (Federal Emergency Management Agency) and other agencies. Reedley College teaches wildland firefighting and we are aligned with the federal wildland firefighting standards.

**ACTION OF THE REEDLEY COLLEGE ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEE ON EQUIVALENCY**

The Department Policy is: approved: ✓ denied: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Equivalency Committee Chair (or designee): as revised Emily Berg

Date: 1/18/19

Comments: By majority vote, the Equivalency Committee voted to approve as revised the Departmental Policy for Fire Technology.