GCCCD Equivalency Criteria

The Academic Senate for California Community Colleges has consistently supported the following basic principles for granting equivalency:

- Equivalent to the minimum qualifications means equal to the minimum qualifications, not nearly equal.
- The applicant must provide evidence of attaining coursework or experience equal to the general education component of a regular associate or bachelor's degree.
- The applicant must provide evidence of attaining the skills and knowledge provided by specialized course work required for a master's degree (for disciplines on the Master's List) or requisite experience or coursework (for disciplines on the Non-Master's List).

The Academic Senate believes that faculty members must exemplify to their students the value of an education that is both well-rounded and specialized.

References: Education Code §§ 87359 and 87360

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| □ 1. The discipline criteria listed below have been reviewed and agreed upon by discipline experts at both colleges. |
| 2. We have no discipline counterpart at the other college. |
| List the discipline equivalency criteria below (attach an additional sheet if necessary): |
| B.S. in chemistry or biochemistry AND |
| M.S. in a physical or natural science with 15 graduate-level chemistry units. |
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