POLICY:

(a) This section implements and should be read in conjunction with the provisions of section 68 of chapter 973 of the Statutes of 1998, relating to the establishment of a limit on the amount of remedial coursework community college students may take. For the purposes of this section, “remedial coursework” refers to precollegiate basic skills courses as defined in subsection (d) of section 55502 of this part.

(b) A student’s needs for remedial coursework shall be determined using appropriate assessment instruments, methods, or procedures administered pursuant to chapter 6 (commencing with section 55500) of division 6 of this part. However, except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, no student shall receive more than 30 semester units (or 45 quarter units) of credit for remedial coursework. Students having exhausted the unit limitation shall be referred to appropriate adult noncredit education services provided by college, adult school, community-based organization, or other appropriate local provider with which the district has an established referral agreement.

(c) The following students are exempted from the limitation on remedial coursework described in subsection (b) of this section:

   (1) Students enrolled in one or more courses of English as a Second Language (ESL);

   (2) Students identified by the District as having a learning disability as defined in section 56014 of this part.

(d) The Governing Board of a District may provide a waiver of the limitation on remedial coursework with respect to any student who shows significant, measurable progress toward the development of skills appropriate to his or her enrollment in college-level courses. Such waivers, if granted, shall be provided pursuant to locally developed standards which are reviewed and approved by the Governing Board. The standards shall include provisions, which ensure that waivers are only given for specified periods of time or for specified numbers of units.

(e) A student who does not attain full eligibility status for college-level work within the limit described in subsection (b) of this
section shall, unless provided with a waiver, be dismissed and referred to adult non-credit education courses.

(f) A student may, upon successful completion of appropriate “remedial coursework,” or upon demonstration of skills levels which will reasonably assure success in college-level courses, request reinstatement to proceed with college-level coursework.

(g) The Governing Board of each District shall submit, through the established Management Information System, information necessary to enable the Chancellor to determine the following:

1. The effect of this section on students by sex, age, and ethnicity;

2. Success rates for students enrolled in “remedial coursework.”

REFERENCES/ AUTHORITY: California Code of Regulations, Title 5, Sections 71020 and 84500

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