

**ADOPTED REGULATION OF THE COMMISSION ON
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION**

LCB File No. R001-05

Effective October 31, 2005

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~[omitted material]~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §§1 and 2, NRS 391.019.

A REGULATION relating to educational personnel; revising provisions governing the majors and minors in academic education; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Section 1. NAC 391.131 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.131 1. The Board recognizes the following single subjects in academic education as majors or minors, which require 30 or 16 semester hours of credit respectively:

- (a) Anthropology.
- (b) Biology.
- (c) Botany.
- (d) Chemistry.
- (e) Composition and rhetoric.
- (f) *Computer Science*.
- (g) Dramatic or theatrical arts.
- ~~[(g)]~~ (h) Earth science.
- ~~[(h)]~~ ~~Economics.~~
- (i) *Economics*.
- (j) English or American literature.

~~[(j)]~~ **(k)** Environmental science.

~~[(k)]~~ **(l)** Foreign languages, including:

- (1) Arabic.
- (2) Chinese.
- (3) French.
- (4) German.
- (5) Italian.
- (6) Japanese.
- (7) Latin.
- (8) Russian.
- (9) Spanish.

~~[(l)]~~ **Geography.**

(m) **Geography.**

(n) Geology.

~~[(n)]~~ **(o)** Health education.

~~[(o)]~~ **(p)** History of the United States and the world.

~~[(p)]~~ **(q)** Journalism and communication.

~~[(q)]~~ **Linguistics.**

(r) **Linguistics.**

(s) Music.

~~[(s)]~~ **Physics.**

(t) **Physics.**

(u) Physiology.

~~[(u)]~~ (v) Political science.

~~[(v)]~~ ~~Psychology.~~

(w) *Psychology.*

(x) Reading.

~~[(x)]~~ ~~Sociology.~~

(y) *Sociology.*

(z) Speech.

~~[(z)]~~ (aa) Zoology.

2. The Board recognizes the following single subjects in occupational education as majors or minors, which require 30 or 16 semester hours of credit respectively:

- (a) Accounting.
- (b) Advertising.
- (c) Agricultural mechanics.
- (d) Air frame and power plant.
- (e) Air-cooled engines.
- (f) Architectural drafting.
- (g) Automatic transmissions.
- (h) Baking.
- (i) Bookkeeping.
- (j) Brick masonry.
- (k) Carpentry.
- (l) Child care assistant.
- (m) Commercial art.

- (n) Commercial photography.
- (o) Computer electronics.
- (p) Computer science.
- (q) Cosmetology.
- (r) Custodial services.
- (s) Data processing.
- (t) Dental assistant.
- (u) Diesel mechanics.
- (v) Economics.
- (w) Electrical and electronic drafting.
- (x) Electrician.
- (y) Electronics.
- (z) Fashion merchandising.
- (aa) Food catering.
- (bb) Forestry.
- (cc) Gerontology assistant.
- (dd) Graphic arts.
- (ee) Heating, air-conditioning and refrigeration mechanics.
- (ff) Horticulture.
- (gg) Industrial electronics.
- (hh) Meat processing.
- (ii) Mechanical drafting.
- (jj) Medical assistant.

- (kk) Mining equipment operation.
- (ll) Nurse assistant.
- (mm) Plumbing.
- (nn) Practical nursing.
- (oo) Radio and television communications.
- (pp) Sheet metal.
- (qq) Veterinary technology.
- (rr) Welding, brazing and soldering.
- (ss) Photography.

Sec. 2. NAC 391.1312 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.1312 1. The semester hours of credit required for a major listed in ~~paragraphs (k)~~ *subparagraphs (1) to (9), inclusive, of paragraph (l) of subsection 1 of NAC 391.131* and *paragraph (z)* of subsection 1 of NAC 391.131 must include 15 semester hours in courses normally given to juniors or seniors.

2. The semester hours of credit required for a minor listed in ~~those~~ *the* paragraphs *identified in subsection 1* must include 5 semester hours in courses normally given to juniors or seniors.

3. The semester hours of credit required for a major listed in ~~paragraphs (k) and (z) or paragraph (t)~~ *subparagraphs (1) to (9), inclusive, of paragraph (l) of subsection 1 of NAC 391.131 and paragraphs (t) and (z)* of subsection 1 of NAC 391.131 must not include any semester hours in freshman English. Eighteen of the semester hours must be in courses normally given to juniors or seniors.

4. The semester hours of credit required for a minor in reading must not include any semester hours in freshman English. Nine of the semester hours of credit must be in courses normally given to juniors or seniors.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF PROPOSED REGULATION
LCB File No. R001-05

The Commission on Professional Standards in Education adopted regulations assigned LCB File No. R001-05 which pertain to chapter 391 of the Nevada Administrative Code on September 22, 2005.

Notice date: 8/16/2005
Hearing date: 9/22/2005

Date of adoption by agency: 9/22/2005
Filing date: 10/31/2005

INFORMATIONAL STATEMENT

1. A description of how public comment was solicited, a summary of public response, and explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

Notice of Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Regulations was sent to approximately 100 individuals and educational organizations. One workshop was held on September 22, 2005. There was no public comment.

The Notice of Intent to Act Upon a Regulation for public hearing and adoption of the proposed revisions to NAC 391.131 and NAC 391.1312 were sent to approximately 100 individuals and educational organizations. The public hearing was conducted on September 22, 2005 to provide the opportunity for comments by affected parties and the public. There was one public comment. The Commission adopted the proposed regulations.

2. The Number of Persons Who:

- a) Attended Each Hearing: Workshop: 11 First Hearing: 11 Second Hearing: N/A
- b) Testified at Each Hearing: Workshop: 0 First Hearing: 2 Second Hearing: N/A
- c) Submitted Written Statements: Workshop: 0 First Hearing: 0 Second Hearing: N/A

A copy of any written comments may be obtained by calling Christina Harper, Administrative Assistant to the Commission on Professional Standards in Education, Nevada Department of Education, 775-687-9226, or by writing to the Nevada Department of Education, 700 East Fifth Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701-5096.

3. A description of how comment was solicited from affected businesses, a summary of the response and an explanation how other interested parties may obtain a copy of the summary.

Comments were solicited through the workshop notice of August 16, 2005 and the public hearing notice of August 16, 2005. At the September 22, 2005 Workshop to Solicit Comments, there were no public comments to the proposed language revisions. At the

September 22, 2005 Public Hearing there was one public comment to the proposed language.

Summary of Comments:

Workshop/Public Hearing Comments:

Dr. Marilyn Ford, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, stated that she appreciates the Commission adding the computer science and requested that the Commission consider adding dance as a single-subject major.

A copy of the summary and/or minutes of the public hearing may be obtained by calling Christina Harper, Administrative Assistant to the Commission on Professional Standards in Education, Nevada Department of Education, 775-687-9224, or by writing to the Nevada Department of Education at 700 East Fifth Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701-5096.

4. If the regulation was adopted with or without change to any part of the proposed regulation, a summary of the reasons for adopting.

The Commission on Professional Standards in Public Education adopted the proposed regulation language at the public hearing held September 22, 2005. The reason for adopting the regulation is to provide an additional avenue for which individuals to obtain the computer science endorsement.

5. The estimated economic effect of the adopted regulation on the business that it is to regulate and on the public. These must be stated separately and each case must include:

There is a beneficial economic effect is that it allows for an additional avenue for individuals to obtain the computer science endorsement. This will make it easier to recruit and hire highly qualified computer science teachers. There is no estimated economic effect on the public, either adversely or beneficially, nor immediate or long term.

6. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the adopted regulation.

There is no additional cost to the agency for enforcement of this regulation.

7. A description of any regulations of other state or governmental agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, the name of the regulating federal agency.

No other state or governmental agency regulations will be overlapped or duplicated by the above noted regulation. There is no duplication or overlap of federal regulations.

8. If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation, which regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.

There are none.

9. If the regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.

This regulation does not provide for a new fee or increase an existing fee.