

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

LCB File No. R048-11

Effective October 26, 2011

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

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 391.019.

A REGULATION relating to educational personnel; revising provisions governing the requirements for a comprehensive major or minor in social studies; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Section 1. NAC 391.1306 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.1306 1. ~~[The semester hours of credit required for a]~~ *A comprehensive* major in social studies ~~[must include at least 3]~~ *consists of 36* semester hours *of credit as follows:*

(a) Twenty-one semester hours of credit which must include at least 3 semester hours in each of the following areas ~~[, 24 of which must have been in the areas named in paragraphs (e), (f) and (g):~~

~~—(a)]~~ *of study:*

(1) Economics;

~~[(b)]~~ *(2) Geography;*

~~[(c) Psychology or sociology;~~

~~—(d) Ethnic studies;~~

~~—(e) Political science;~~

~~—(f)]~~ *(3) History of the United States; [and*

~~—(g)]~~ *(4) History of the world [;]*

- (5) *Political science;*
- (6) *Ethnic studies; and*
- (7) *Psychology or sociology; and*

(b) *Fifteen semester hours of credit in any of the areas of study listed in subparagraphs (1) to (5), inclusive, of paragraph (a).*

2. ~~[The semester hours of credit required for a]~~ *A comprehensive* minor in social studies ~~[must include at least 3]~~ *consists of 24* semester hours ~~[each in any four]~~ *of credit as follows:*

(a) *Fifteen semester hours of credit which must include at least 3 semester hours in each of the following areas* ~~[listed in subsection 1, at least 16]~~ *of study:*

- (1) *Economics;*
- (2) *Geography;*
- (3) *History of the United States;*
- (4) *History of the world; and*
- (5) *Political science;*

(b) *Six* semester hours of ~~[which must be]~~ *credit* in *any of* the areas *of study* listed in ~~[paragraphs (e), (f) and (g) of subsection 1.]~~ *subparagraphs (1) to (5), inclusive, of paragraph (a); and*

(c) *Three semester hours of credit in any of the following areas of study:*

- (1) *Ethnic studies; or*
- (2) *Psychology or sociology.*

NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
COMMISSION ON PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN EDUCATION
LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF ADOPTED REGULATIONS AS REQUIRED BY
ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT, NRS 233B.066

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NAC 391.1306 – Major or Minor in Social Studies

INFORMATIONAL STATEMENT

The following statement is submitted for adopted amendments to Nevada Administrative Code 391:

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. A workshop was held on August 17, 2011. There was no public comment.

The Notice of Intent to Act Upon a Regulation for public hearing and adoption of proposed amendments to R048-11; NAC 391.1306 – Major or Minor in Social Studies was sent to approximately 100 individuals and educational organizations. The public hearing was conducted on October 5, 2011 to provide the opportunity for comments by affected parties and the public. There was public comment. The Commission adopted the proposed regulation.

2. The Number of Persons Who:

- a) Attended Each Hearing: First Workshop: 8; First Hearing: 11; Second Hearing: N/A
- b) Testified at Each Hearing: First Workshop: 0; First Hearing: 0; Second Hearing: N/A
- c) Submitted Written Statements: First Workshop: 0; First Hearing: 0; Second Hearing: N/A

A copy of any written comments may be obtained by contacting 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 July 20, 2011; and the public hearing notice of August 31, 2011. At the August 17, 2011 Workshop to Solicit Comments, there was no public comment to the proposed temporary regulation language. At the October 5, 2011 public hearing there was no public comment to the proposed regulation language.

Workshop comments:

There were no comments.

Public Hearing comments:

There were no comments.

A copy of the summary and/or minutes of the public hearing may be obtained by contacting 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 October 5, 2011. The reason for adopting the amendments to the regulation is to add the subject of Geography as a requirement for the Social Studies Endorsement which increases the number of semester hours required for a major or minor in Social Studies in an effort for teachers to be better prepared to teach social studies.

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 no economic effect of the regulation on the business that it regulates. There are no adverse effects.

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.