

STATEWIDE MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

AB 1725 and the Board of Governors have established the following statewide minimum qualifications:

For subject areas where master's degrees are available, minimum qualifications required a completed master's in the subject area; OR, a bachelor's in the subject area PLUS a master's in a related discipline; OR, equivalent.

For subject areas where a master's is not expected or available, the minimum requirements are a bachelor's degree in a reasonably related discipline PLUS two years of professional experience PLUS licensure (if available); OR, an associate degree in a reasonably related discipline PLUS six years of professional experience PLUS licensure (if available); OR, equivalent.

LOS RIOS EQUIVALENCIES TO MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

3.0 Framework for Minimum Qualifications Equivalency Criteria

3.1 Because the State has established two sets of disciplines, one using the master's degree for subject areas where a master's degree is generally available, and one not using the master's degree for disciplines where proficiency is frequently gained outside a degree track, the Los Rios framework for minimum qualifications' equivalency contains two sets of criteria. All degrees and course work must be from colleges/universities accredited by one of the intersegmental accrediting agencies: Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, New England Association of Schools and Colleges, North Central Associations of Colleges and Schools, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, and Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges.

A. For Disciplines Requiring the Master's Degree

1. Master's degree in any discipline, plus course work equivalent to a graduate major in the discipline of the assignment. (30 semester units of graduate and upper division units, of which 15 units must be graduate.)
2. Bachelor's degree in the discipline of the assignment, plus additional post baccalaureate course work equivalent to a graduate major in the discipline of the assignment. (30 units of upper division and graduate units, of which at least 15 units must be graduate.)
3. For the Performing Arts: A bachelor's degree in the discipline plus advanced degree from an institution specific to that art, or four years of professional experience in the discipline.
4. A bachelor's degree in the discipline, plus licensure by an appropriate state agency, plus at least two years of professional experience unless specifically precluded by the adopted list of disciplines.
5. Recognized accomplishments which demonstrate expertise and skill in the field of study beyond that normally achieved through formal education (equivalent to the eminence credential.)

B. For Disciplines Not Requiring the Master's Degree

1. Bachelor's degree in a discipline reasonably related to the discipline of the assignment, plus two years of full-time teaching experience in the discipline of the assignment at an accredited institution, plus appropriate certification to practice or licensure, if available.
2. Bachelor's degree in any discipline, plus course work equivalent to a major in the discipline of the assignment, plus two years of occupational experience related to the discipline of the assignment or two years of teaching experience in the discipline of the assignment, plus appropriate certification to practice or licensure, if available¹.
3. Associate degree containing at least 60 units in any discipline, plus graduation from an institution specific to that field, plus two years of professional experience in the discipline, plus appropriate certification to practice or licensure, if available¹.
4. A completed Associate degree containing at least 60 units in any discipline, plus course work equivalent to a major in the discipline of the assignment, plus six years of occupational experience related to the discipline of the assignment or six years of full-time teaching experience in the discipline of the assignment, plus appropriate certification to practice or licensure or its equivalent, if available¹.
5. Recognized accomplishments which demonstrate experience and skill in the field of study beyond that normally achieved through formal education (equivalent to the eminence credential).

¹Teaching and occupational experience may be combined to total the required number of years; all experience must have taken place within ten years preceding the date of application with at least one year of qualified experience occurring within the three years immediately preceding the date of application.