

**Modesto Junior College
Academic Senate
Resolution SP04-B
Study Raising Math and English Requirements For Graduation**

Proposed by: Executive Board

Whereas: Currently Title 5 regulations state that a course in elementary algebra and an English composition course one level below transfer-level English are acceptable for graduation (AA and AS degrees) although colleges may require courses at higher levels; and

Whereas: Resolution 9.01 S 03 of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges urged “local senates to engage their campuses in a full discussion of possible options and approaches for addressing the level of English and mathematics courses required for graduation, as well as discussion of advantages, disadvantages and consequences of any such changes”; and

Whereas: Resolution 9.02 F03 of the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges resolved to present their “position about whether to recommend to the Board of Governors revisions in Title 5 that would change minimum graduation requirements in English and mathematics for the associate of arts and associate of science degrees no later than at the Fall 2004 Plenary Session,”

Therefore: **Be it resolved,** that the MJC Academic Senate direct the Curriculum Committee to work together with the English and math departments, vocational education instructors, and counselors to research the issue of raising English and mathematics requirements for graduation and give a preliminary report to the Academic Senate by the end of this semester.

First Reading: February 19, 2004

Final Action: March 4, 2004

Disposition: Carried

A Curriculum sub-committee was formed to study the issue.