Policy 5110  Counseling

Counseling services are an essential part of the educational mission of the District.

The Chancellor shall assure the provision of counseling services including academic, career, and personal counseling that is related to the student’s education.

Counseling shall be required for all first time students enrolled for more than six units, students enrolled provisionally, and students on academic or progress probation.

References:
Education Code Section 72620; Title 5, Section 51018; ACCJC Accreditation Standard II.C.5

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I. The counseling services available in the District’s counseling program include at least the following:

A. Academic counseling, in which the student is assisted in assessing, planning and implementing his or her immediate and long-range academic goals;

B. Career counseling, in which the student is assisted in assessing his or her aptitudes, abilities, and interests, and is advised concerning the current and future employment trends;

C. Personal counseling, in which the student is assisted with personal, family, or other social concerns when that assistance is related to the student’s education;

D. Coordination with the counseling aspects of other services to students which exist on campus, including but not limited to those services provided in programs for students with special needs, skills testing programs, financial assistance programs, and job placement services.

II. Confidentiality of Counseling Information:

A. Information of a personal nature disclosed by a student 12 years of age or older in the process of receiving counseling from a counselor is confidential and shall not become part of the student record without the written consent of the person who disclosed the confidential information. However, the information shall be disclosed when permitted by applicable law, including but not limited to disclosure as necessary to report child abuse or neglect; reporting to the Chancellor or other persons when the counselor has reason to believe that disclosure is necessary to avert a clear and present danger to the health, safety, or welfare of the student or other persons living in the college community; reporting information to the Chancellor or other persons as necessary when the student indicates that a crime involving the likelihood of personal injury or significant or substantial property losses will or has been committed; reporting information to one or more persons specified in a written waiver by the student.

III. Students who are on second semester probation or dismissal status are required to seek assistance from the counseling center.

References:
Education Code Sections 72620 and 72621; Title 5, Section 51018; ACCJC Accreditation Standard II.C.5

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