

**ACADEMIC SENATE
OF
THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY**

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**Standardized Default Minimum Grade Requirements in Lower Division Transfer
Pattern (LDTP) Statewide Discipline Courses**

- RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU) reaffirm the right of CSU discipline faculty to establish minimum passing grade requirements on courses comprising the “statewide discipline” component of a Lower Division Transfer Pattern (LDTP); and be it further
- RESOLVED: That in the absence of a CSU discipline specified minimum passing grade requirement, a grade of “C” or better will be required in each course appearing within the “statewide discipline” component of an LDTP; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That similar procedures used for determining statewide pattern requirements be used for setting the minimum grade requirements where the discipline desires to deviate from the minimum grade of C; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That this resolution be sent to the LDTP Steering Committee.

RATIONALE: There are generally three components to an LDTP Pattern: CSU GE Breadth. The statewide discipline requirements and campus discipline requirements.

It is a current requirement that a grade of “C” or better be received in each of the “CSU GE Breadth Area A” subject courses. It is also the case that many CSU campuses have established minimum grade requirements on courses in the “campus discipline” component. During the initial creation of the LDTP statewide discipline components, disciplines frequently assumed there was a default minimum grade requirement similar to that applicable to transfer courses outside of LDTP. This is not the case; if all requirements in an LDTP are met then the LDTP supersedes campus grading rules for the statewide discipline components. This has left the “statewide discipline” components vulnerable to grades less than “C” being considered as passing if all LDTP requirements have been met. This resolution seeks to solve this problem by establishing a default minimum grade requirement of “C” on “statewide discipline” component courses in a completed LDTP.

Approved Unanimously – May 7-8, 2009