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Subject: **Equalization of Funds for CSU Subject Matter Study**
(Coded Memorandum AA-2002-07 and AA-2002-05)

In our coded memorandum (AA-2002-05) dated January 15, 2002, we announced the CSU initiative related to the study of subject matter preparation of prospective candidates for the Multiple Subject Credential. The memorandum also outlined the financial support available to campuses in relation to this important work. At that time, it was assumed that the support would be tied to faculty time base/workload, naturally leading to a difference in support level between semester and quarter campuses: \$8,388 for semester vs. \$5,592 for quarter campuses. As the work of the CSU Subject Matter Study has evolved over the last few months, it has become clear that this effort is tied to product completion of the assessment questionnaires and overall program reforms pursuant to SB 2042 Standards—and not to time as defined by a "semester" or "quarter." A number of campuses have inquired about carrying funds over into the summer in order to support faculty in their efforts to align coursework with the new standards. Again, this supports the notion that this effort is tied to a product and not the definition of an academic year.

After careful consideration and a review of the budget associated with the CSU Subject Matter Study, we are happy to announce the equalization of available funds across all campuses. The support for quarter campuses will rise to the same level as for semester campuses: \$8,388. As detailed in the earlier memo, campuses are free to use these funds flexibly in support of the study and the overall effort to align subject matter coursework with the new standards. We will be distributing these funds as soon as they are received from the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing via a Federal Title II grant award.

If you have any questions, please call Assistant Vice Chancellor Bill Wilson at 510/763-3943.

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