

Community Service and Service Learning
in the California State University

Board of Trustees Resolution

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WHEREAS, The California State University has a tradition of such community-based activities as service learning and community service; and

WHEREAS, Governor Davis has called on the CSU to establish a community service requirement for CSU students; and

WHEREAS, The CSU endorses Governor Davis's interest in strengthening an ethic of service as an important part of undergraduate education; and

WHEREAS, CSU Monterey Bay already has a service-learning requirement for graduation and a number of individual academic departments and programs throughout the CSU currently require community service or service learning; and,

WHEREAS, the Academic Senate CSU, the California State Student Association, and the CSU Advisory Group on Community Service have carefully studied the pace of community service and service learning in the undergraduate-education experiences; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the trustees of the California State University, that the chancellor require each CSU president to ensure that all students have opportunities to participate in community service, service learning (deemed academically appropriate by faculty) or both; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees, through the chancellor, endorse campus efforts to make service an expectation, condition, or requirement for the undergraduate-education experience; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the chancellor report to the Board of Trustees, on an annual basis, CSU's increasing efforts to provide these opportunities to all students.