

**ACADEMIC SENATE
OF
THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY**

AS-3384-19/APEP
May 16-17, 2019

ON THE ACADEMIC SENATE CCC (ASCCC) RESOLUTION 5.02 S19 “SUPPORT FOR THE CSU UNITED STATES HISTORY, CONSTITUTION AND AMERICAN IDEALS COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS REQUIREMENT”

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU) thank the Academic Senate of the California Community Colleges (ASCCC) for its interest in exploring the inclusion of a requirement similar to the existing CSU United States History, Constitution, and American Ideals (“American Institutions”) requirement into the CCC associate’s degree; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the ASCSU reaffirm [AS-3030-11/APEP](#) *The Importance of Civic Education (CSU Graduation Requirements in United States History, Constitution, and American Institutions)* for both Native and Transfer Students and subsequent resolutions addressing the importance of the CSU American Institutions requirement; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the ASCSU distribute this resolution to the CSU Board of Trustees, Loren Blanchard, Executive Vice Chancellor of Academic and Student Affairs, CSU History Council, ASCCC, and the Intersegmental Committee of Academic Senates.

***RATIONALE:** The learning outcomes associated with the CSU American institutions requirement are important for preparing students to be engaged, informed citizens. In almost all cases, it is beneficial for students transferring to the CSU to have met this requirement prior to transfer.*

ASCCC Resolution 5.02 S19 (<https://www.asccc.org/resolutions/support-csu-united-states-history-constitution-and-american-ideals-requirement-commonly>), in part, states:

“... although the United States History, Constitution and American Ideals Requirement is not a requirement of the CCC system, many students choose to fulfill the requirement through coursework at a community college before transferring to the CSU, and thus this CSU requirement has been the backbone of U.S. history and civic education in both the CSU and CCC systems”

The above statement underscores the deep impact of CSU General Education (GE) and American Institutions (AmIns) requirements on CCC curriculum.

Approved Unanimously – May 16-17, 2019