

**Statement of Reasons
for Amendment of
Title 5, California Code of Regulations, Section 40051**

This item proposes amending Title 5 § 40051 which outlines the primary function of the California State University is the provision of instruction for undergraduate students and graduate students through the master's degree, in the liberal arts and sciences, in applied fields and in the professions, including the teaching profession.

The amendment would provide for the name of Humboldt State University (HSU) to be formally changed to California State Polytechnic University, Humboldt. The proposed name change supports the university's proposal for designation as the third polytechnic university in the California State University system and the first polytechnic in Northern California. The designation includes a comprehensive strategy to address the workforce shortages in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields, expand opportunities for students while addressing equity gaps and revitalizing the North Coast economy. The university already holds federal designation as a Hispanic-Serving Institution. A polytechnic university in the northern part of the state would give more California students access to high-demand programs, provide hands-on learning experiences and create a strong understanding of sustainability.

An extensive deliberation process regarding the change involved various constituencies, including current students, staff, faculty, emeritus staff and faculty, alumni, business partners, local government, conservation organizations and parents. The Sense of the Senate Resolution, from the campus University Senate, in support for Humboldt State University to become California State Polytechnic University, Humboldt was approved on October 12, 2021. A full overview of the polytechnic self-study and implementation is available online at [Polytechnic Self-Study and Implementation | Humboldt State University](#).

In addition, this amendment will change Section 40051 from referring to the Pomona campus as California Polytechnic State University, Pomona to its correct name of California State Polytechnic University, Pomona; this change is being made to correct and accurately reflect the full name of the Pomona campus.

Finally, this amendment will also delete the term "home economics" from the list of applied fields; since the modern iteration of "home economics" is within STEM disciplines such as Food Science and Nutrition, the outdated term does not need to be named separately.