

Statement of Reasons for Amendment of

Title 5, California Code of Regulations, Sections 41500, 41503, 41504 and 41505

A student organization that is recognized by a CSU campus is required to meet and maintain campus requirements, including a non-discrimination policy, which states that all currently enrolled students must be allowed to participate in the student organization. In return, the campus provides the student organization with certain benefits and privileges such as the ability to reserve meeting space on campus at no cost and access to funding made available to student organizations.

The annual formal chartering and recognition process requires each student organization to submit constitutions, charters or other documents relating to its policies and practices to demonstrate the organization has no rules, policies and/or practices that discriminate on the basis of any protected class as defined by state and federal law.

A student organization that refuses or fails to provide the necessary documentation for formal chartering and recognition will have its formal recognition withheld by the campus, and a student organization that violates the nondiscrimination policy will have its recognition withdrawn.

The proposed Title 5 amendments would bring the CSU regulations into alignment with state and federal law.