Policy #: SP 08-07

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Applicability: Undergraduate Students

Definitions: The principle of catalog rights refers to degree requirements, not policies, fees, services and other matters which, when they change, apply to all students. Continuous attendance means attendance in at least one semester or two quarters each calendar year.

Purpose: To replace SP 04-28 to make CSUCI policy consistent with Title V.

Background: Our current policy limits students’ catalog rights to general education, US history, Constitution and American ideas and other non-major requirements. Title V provides that catalog rights extend to the major and the minor. The new policy below brings the University into alignment with Title V.

Policy:
Undergraduate students remaining in attendance in regular sessions at a California State University campus, a California community college, or any combination of these institutions, may for the purposes of meeting all graduation requirements elect to meet the requirements in effect at CSUCI either: (1) at the time the student began attendance, or (2) at the time of entrance to CSUCI, or (3) at the time of graduation from CSUCI.

If while enrolled the student declares or changes the major, a major option, or a minor, the student shall follow the requirements either in effect at the time of the declaration or change, or in effect at the time of graduation. Other catalog years may be approved by department petition. Students do not lose catalog rights for GE and other graduation requirements by declaring or changing their major, if they maintain continuous attendance.
Policy on Catalog Rights