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Section 14.3 Online Instruction:

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 - 5 Hyflex Courses (HFC) courses are taught in at least two modalities simultaneously: in person, synchronous online, or asynchronous.
- (b) Process: Any bargaining unit member who teaches an online class must follow the process outlined by the Distance Education committee to teach online.
- (excluding web enhance courses) must complete the District's provided training for such courses as a prerequisite. No compensation will be provided for such training. Certification and Recertification (DE Certification and Non-Instructional Remote Work Training): Any bargaining unit member working remotely (excluding web-enhance courses) must complete the District's provided certification program as approved by AP 4105 or AP 5115. For initial certification completed on or after July 1, 2023, unit members will receive a flat payment of \$1,000 upon completion of the online certification training for distance education with prior approval of the School Dean.
- (d) Class Size: Class size for Distance Learning sections shall be no greater than the than the Course Outline of Record. If the class size is not specified on the Course Outline of Record, the class size maximum shall be 45.
- (e) Workload: Instructors of online courses agree that they will provide

regular and effective substantive contact to students as defined in Title 5 delivering the amount of weekly and semester student contact hours specified in the Course Outline of Record. To be effective, theis student contact hours may be outside of normal college working hours and delivered from locations other than the assigned campus.

- Office Hours and Committee Assignments: Bargaining Unit Members whoteach online courses are required to fulfill their office hours and committee assignments as set forth in the contract between the District and CODFA CCA/CTA. Office hours for online classes may be offered online provided the hours are scheduled and the schedule posted on the class syllabus and provided the bargaining unit member agrees to be available to students online or by telephone during those hours.
- (g) Review: The parties to this agreement acknowledge that modifications to the online course provisions contained herein may be necessary after the parties have had an opportunity to examine the appropriateness of the various components of this agreement. As such, the parties agree that the content of this agreement shall be subject to modifications through the negotiation process in subsequent academic years.
- (h) Evaluation: Distance Education courses will be evaluated using the same standards as face-to-face courses as outlined in Articles 19, 20, and Appendix C of this agreement. For Faculty Members who teach in both face-to-face and Distance Education formats, evaluations will include one online and one face-to-face evaluation.

Section 14.4. Evaluation Forms for Online Instructors are located in Appendix C.

The subheadings refer to the appendices/pages of the contract where you can find the current evaluation forms that are used for both face-to-face and online instructors.

C 2: Pages 65-68: Peer Evaluation for Online Faculty

- 1. Course navigation is logical and uses Learning Management System (LMS) tools effectively.
- 2. Course is organized into manageable learning units, relevant to course description.
- 3. There are a variety of assessment tools used in the evaluation of student learning.
- Outcomes are clearly identified in Assessments.
- 5. Assessments incorporate critical thinking strategies and analysis.
- 6. Instructor provides students with multiple ways of learning (Examples of multiple ways of learning: use of multimedia tools; use of collaborative projects, etc.)
- 7. Instructor encourages student engagement and works to build a sense of community. (Examples: Q&A forum or cyber café; use of multimedia tools, etc.)
- 8. Instructor clearly conveys course policies, communication response times, grading turnaround timeline, and institutional policies.
- Instructor demonstrates enthusiasm about the course and material presented.
- 10. Instructor demonstrates behavior consistent with professional ethics.
- 11. Instructor is respectful of diverse needs, talents, and backgrounds of students.

C-3 Pages 32, 69: Self-Evaluation packet should include:

- 1. A description of the faculty member's contributions to the college, including Division activities, participation on committees, community activities, student recruitment, articulation with high schools and colleges, and other appropriate activities.
- 2. A description of curriculum revisions including new course projects, materials and class assignments, and other appropriate curriculum activities.
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- C-5: Page 71: Student Evaluation for Online Faculty Instructor is knowledgeable in subject matter of this course.
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- 3. Has organized course effectively to meet diverse learning styles of students.
- 4. Provides clear directions on assignments and expectations of student work.
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- 6. Initiates communication with students regularly.
- 7. Clearly conveys grading expectations and adheres to those expectations.
- 8. Provides detailed feedback on student performance.
- 9. Uses graded materials (such as tests, papers, projects, etc.) that reflect the course objectives.
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- 12. Displays professional behavior.
- 13. Encourages student success
- 14. Stimulates interest in the subject by using a variety of multimedia tools; use of collaborative projects, etc.

Section 14.5 Online Student Support Resources

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- 14.5.1 Non-teaching faculty having an off-site assignment may be required to complete specific training pursuant to the applicable Administrative Procedure.
- 14.5.2 The District may cancel or reassign off-site assignments based on operational need or performance concerns as follows:
 - a. For temporary cancellation/reassignments, the District will first seek volunteers amongst the available non-instructional faculty. If there is an insufficient number of volunteers to provide adequate coverage, the District will consult with the unit member and provide the unit member with a seven (7) days notice prior to assignment change.
 - b. For permanent cancellations/reassignments, the District will consult with the unit member and provide the unit members with a fourteen (14) days notice prior to a assignment change.
 - c. The District reserves the right to require the non-instructional faculty

to report onsite should the non-instructional faculty be unable to perform their duties at their offsite location. Should the faculty member not be able to resolve the issue within an hour or report onsite, they must take appropriate leave.

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