SOUTHWEST TENNESSEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

SUBJECT: Minimum Faculty Teaching Qualifications

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2005

Southwest adopts the following minimum qualifications for the employment and teaching assignments of full-time and part-time (adjunct) faculty:

Transferable College-Level Courses
- Master’s degree in the teaching discipline, or
- Master’s degree in any discipline with 18 graduate semester hours in the teaching discipline

Non-Transferable College-Level Courses
- Master’s with 18 graduate semester hours in the teaching discipline or a master’s degree in any discipline with 18 graduate semester hours in the teaching discipline, or
- Baccalaureate degree in the teaching discipline, or
- Associate’s degree in the teaching discipline with demonstrated competencies in the course(s) being taught as documented by one of the following:
  - Documented work experience that is directly related to the course(s) being taught, or
  - Professional, nationally recognized, achievement-based certification or licensure in the course(s) content being taught
- Additional certification, registration, licensure, or specialized training may be required for particular areas or courses depending upon but not limited to factors such as program accrediting agencies.

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Non-Transferable Developmental Courses

Developmental Mathematics
- Baccalaureate degree in mathematics and one year of secondary or college teaching experience in mathematics, or
- Baccalaureate degree in a field related to mathematics (physics, engineering, or computer science) and 18 semester hours in mathematics (undergraduate, graduate, or a combination of undergraduate and graduate hours) and one year of secondary or college teaching experience in mathematics, or
- Baccalaureate degree in education with 18 semester hours in mathematics (undergraduate, graduate, or a combination of undergraduate and graduate hours) and state certification to teach mathematics and one year of secondary or college teaching experience in mathematics, or
- Master’s degree in mathematics or a master’s degree in another discipline with 18 graduate semester hours in mathematics and one year of secondary or college teaching experience in mathematics

Developmental Reading
- Baccalaureate degree in education with a professional teaching license for grades 1-8 or middle-school certification with an emphasis in language arts or reading and 9 semester hours in reading (undergraduate, graduate, or a combination of undergraduate and graduate hours) and one year of teaching experience in reading, or
- Master’s degree in education and 9 semesters hours in reading (undergraduate, graduate, or a combination of undergraduate and graduate hours) and one year of teaching experience in reading, or
- Master’s degree in reading and one year of teaching experience in reading

Developmental Study Skills
- Baccalaureate or master’s degree in a teaching discipline and one year of teaching experience

Developmental Writing
- Baccalaureate degree in English or a related area (journalism) with 18 semester hours in English (undergraduate, graduate or a combination of undergraduate and graduate hours) and one year of secondary or college teaching experience in English, or
- Baccalaureate degree in education with an endorsement in secondary English 7-12 and one year of secondary or college teaching experience in English, or
- Master’s degree in English and one year of secondary or college teaching experience in English, or
- Master’s degree in any discipline with 18 graduate semester hours in English and one year of secondary or college teaching experience in English