**Faculty Credentials – Rank 0**

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|  | **Group A** | **Group B** | **Group C** |
| Degree Requirements | Bachelor’s Degree | Associate Degree | Associate Degree or equivalent (at least 60 semester hours in a planned program including associate degree core) |
| In-Field Requirements | 27 semester hours in the teaching field | Major in assigned teaching area | Specialized coursework equivalent to the community or technical college program |
| Work Requirements | None | 3 years successful full-time experience as a practitioner in-field | 3 years successful full-time experience as a practitioner in-field |

**Faculty Credentials – Rank I**

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|  | **Group A** | **Group B** | **Group C** |
| Degree Requirements | 1. Master’s Degree **or** 2. *(Acceptable only for creative and applied arts and occupational programs)* Baccalaureate Degree plus in-field requirements for option (c) below | Bachelor’s Degree | Associate Degree or equivalent (at least 60 semester hours in a planned program including associate degree core) |
| In-Field Requirements | 1. 18 GSH in the teaching field 2. 18 GSH in a combination of teaching field and/or related field or, if unavailable, 18 graduate semester hours in a combination of teaching field, related field or education ***(see footnote 1)*** **or** 3. *(Acceptable only for Degree Requirement (b) above)* 27 GSH in the teaching field, documented professional competency, and 3 years full-time experience in the occupational area | 1. 27 semester hours in the teaching field **or** 2. Specialized coursework equivalent to the community or technical college program | Specialized coursework equivalent to the community or technical college program |
| Work Requirements | None unless Degree Requirement Option (b) is selected, which leads to In-Field Requirements Option (c) | 3 years successful full-time experience as a practitioner in-field | 6 years of successful full-time experience as a practitioner in the vocational field and successful completion of an approved occupational examination (e.g., NOCTI) within the first 2 years of employment. |

***Footnotes:***

1. ***This option only acceptable when total required GSH in the teaching field is unavailable at any accredited institution of higher education***

**Faculty Credentials – Rank II**

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|  | **Group A** | **Group B** | **Group C** |
| Degree Requirements | Specialist Degree (minimum of a master’s degree plus 30 additional GSH in a planned program) | 1. Master’s Degree **or** 2. Bachelor’s Degree plus the equivalent of 30 GSH as stipulated in option (c) below | Bachelor’s Degree |
| In-Field Requirements | 1. 36 GSH in the teaching field **or** 2. 36 GSH in a combination of teaching field and/or related field; or, if unavailable, 36 GSH in a combination of teaching field, related field, or education ***(see footnote 1)*** **or** 3. 18 GSH in a major teaching field with 18 GSH in a second teaching area ***(see footnote 2)*** | 1. 18 GSH in the teaching field **or** 2. 18 GSH in a combination of teaching field and/or related field or if unavailable, 18 GSH in a combination of teaching field, related field, or education ***(see footnote 1)*** **or** 3. The equivalent of 30 GSH of corporate or other external formal training as determined for each program by a program standards committee appointed by the Chancellor and revised every 3 years | 27 semester hours in the teaching field or related field |
| Work Requirements | None | 3 years of successful full-time experience as a practitioner in-field with competency demonstrated through successful completion of an approved occupational examination (e.g., NOCTI) within the first year of employment | 6 years of successful full-time experience as a practitioner in the vocational field and successful completion of an approved occupational examination (e.g., NOCTI) within the first year of employment. |

***Footnotes:***

1. ***This option only acceptable when total required GSH in the teaching field is unavailable at any accredited institution of higher education***
2. ***This option only acceptable when the instructor has 2 teaching assignments***

**Faculty Credentials – Rank III**

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|  | **Group A** | **Group B** | **Group C** |
| Degree Requirements | Specialist Degree (minimum of 30 GSH beyond the master's degree in a planned program) plus 30 additional GSH | 1. Specialist Degree (minimum of 30 GSH beyond the master’s degree in a planned program) 2. Master’s Degree plus the equivalent of 30 GSH as stipulated in option (c) below | 1. Master’s Degree **or** 2. Bachelor’s Degree plus the equivalent of 30 additional GSH as stipulated in option (c) below |
| In-Field Requirements | 1. 54 GSH in the teaching field **or** 2. 54 GSH in a combination of the teaching field and/or related field; **or**, if unavailable, 54 GSH in a combination of teaching field, related field, and/or education ***(see footnote 1)*** **or** 3. 36 GSH in a major teaching field with 18 GSH in a second teaching area ***(see footnote 2)*** | 1. 36 GSH in the teaching field **or** 2. 36 GSH in a combination of the teaching field and/or related field, or if unavailable, 36 GSH in a combination of teaching field, related field, or education ***(see footnote 1)* or** 3. 15 GSH in accordance with Degree Requirements (a) or (b) above plus the equivalent of 15 GSH of corporate or other external formal training as determined for each program by a program standards committee appointed by the Chancellor and revised every 3 years | 1. 18 GSH in the teaching field **or** 2. 18 GSH in a combination of the teaching field and/or related field, or if unavailable, 18 GSH in a combination of teaching field, related field, or education ***(see footnote 1)* or** 3. the equivalent of 30 GSH of corporate or other external formal training as determined for each program by a program standards committee appointed by the Chancellor and revised every 3 years ***(see footnote 3)*** |
| Work Requirements | None | 3 years of successful full-time experience as a practitioner in-field with competency demonstrated through successful completion of an approved occupational examination (e.g., NOCTI) within the first year of employment | 6 years of successful full-time experience as a practitioner in the vocational field and successful completion of an approved occupational examination (e.g., NOCTI) within the first year of employment. |

***Footnotes:***

1. ***This option only acceptable when total required GSH in the teaching field is unavailable at any accredited institution of higher education***
2. ***This option only acceptable when the instructor has 2 teaching assignments***
3. ***The program standards committee appointed by the chancellor shall be composed of 2 technical Deans of Instruction and 2 instructors in the program area.***

**Faculty Credentials – Rank IV**

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|  | **Group A** | **Group B** | **Group C** |
| Degree Requirements | Earned Doctorate | 1. Specialist Degree (minimum of 30 GSH beyond the master’s degree in a planned program) plus 30 additional GSH **or** 2. Specialist degree (minimum of 30 GSH beyond the master's degree in a planned program) plus the equivalent of 30 additional GSH as stipulated in option (c) below | Specialist Degree (minimum of 30 GSH beyond the master’s degree in a planned program) |
| In-Field Requirements | 1. Earned doctorate in-field **or** 2. 54 GSH in teaching field **or** 3. 54 GSH in combination of teaching field, related field and/or education ***(see footnote 1)*** **or** 4. 36 GSH in a major teaching field with 18 GSH in a 2nd teaching area ***(see footnote 2)*** | 1. 36 GSH in the teaching field **or** 2. 36 GSH in a combination of the teaching field and/or related field, or if unavailable, 36 GSH in a combination of teaching field, related field, or education ***(see footnote 1)*** **or** 3. 24 GSH in accordance with Degree Requirements (a) or (b) above plus the equivalent of 30 GSH of corporate or other external formal training as determined for each program by a program standards committee appointed by the Chancellor and revised every 3 years ***(see footnote 3)*** | 1. 36 GSH in the teaching field **or** 2. 36 GSH in a combination of the teaching field and/or related field, or if unavailable, 36 GSH in a combination of teaching field, related field, or education ***(see footnote 1)*** **or** 3. 6 GSH in accordance with Degree Requirements (a) or (b) above plus the equivalent of 30 GSH of corporate or other external formal training as determined for each program by a program standards committee appointed by the Chancellor and revised every 3 years ***(see footnote 3)*** |
| Work Requirements | None | 3 years of successful full-time experience as a practitioner in-field with competency demonstrated through successful completion of an approved occupational examination (e.g., NOCTI) within the first year of employment | 6 years of successful full-time experience as a master craftsman/ journeyman in the vocational field with competency demonstrated through successful completion of an approved occupational examination (e.g., NOCTI) within the first year of employment. |

***Footnotes:***

1. ***This option only acceptable when total required GSH in the teaching field is unavailable at any accredited institution of higher education***
2. ***This option only acceptable when the instructor has 2 teaching assignments***
3. ***The program standards committee appointed by the chancellor shall be composed of 2 technical Deans of Instruction and 2 instructors in the program area.***