



Reference: *Education Code, Title 5, Section 51000, 51022(a), 55130, 55150  
55000(g), 55601, 70901(b), 70902(b); 78016*  
Accreditation Standard II.A.6.b

Pursuant to California Education Code, local boards are required by regulation and statute to adopt a policy and process for program discontinuance and minimum criteria for the discontinuance of programs. Additionally, Education Code section 78016 stipulates that every vocational and occupational program shall meet certain requirements prior to termination. Moreover, in accordance with Board Policy 4020, it is critical that the District adopt an Academic Program Viability policy and subsequent procedure that addresses discontinuance.

The West Hills Community College District Program Viability policy complies with current regulations and statutes and is separate, but may be linked, from the program review process. Results from program review could trigger an examination of program viability.

To that end, the Chancellor shall establish procedures for the review of viability of all program offerings, including their discontinuance, modification, or expansion.

See Administrative Procedure 4021